



# 78<sup>th</sup> Inland Transport Committee



## Working Party on Intermodal Transport and Logistics (WP.24)



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Intermodal transport and logistics

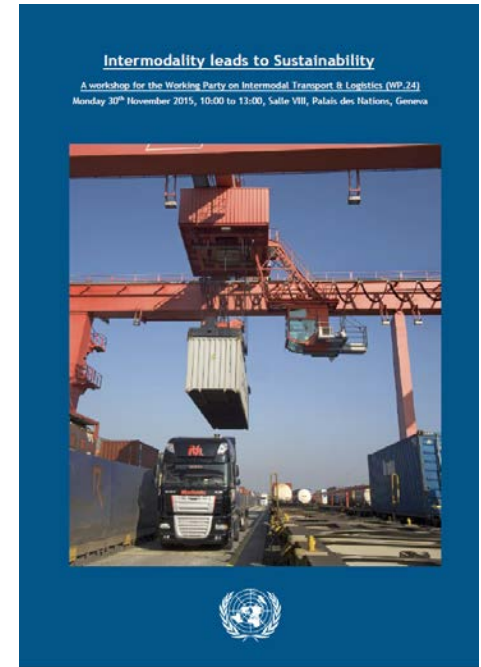




# Annual Workshop

## Annual workshop for 2015: Intermodality leads to sustainability

- Significant participation from member States and industry.
- Three main segments on how intermodality leads to:
  - (a) Economic Sustainability
  - (b) Environmental Sustainability
  - (c) Social Sustainability
- The Working Party identified that often there is overlap between these three areas, a collaborative approach to sustainability is fundamental.
- Sustainability has been at the core of intermodal transport since 1996.



## Annual workshop for 2016: Promoting sustainable intermodal transport through innovative solutions

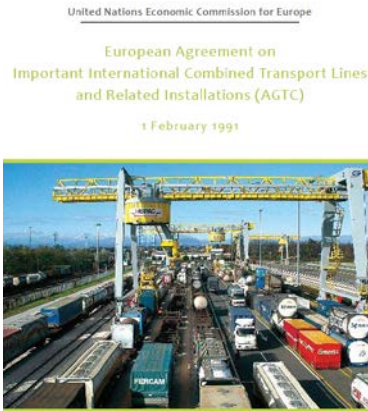
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# AGTC Agreement

## European Agreement on Important International Combined Transport Lines and Related Installations (AGTC Agreement)

- Network infrastructure standards
- Performance parameters and benchmarks for trains and terminals
- Currently 32 contracting parties



INFRASTRUCTURE PARAMETERS FOR THE NETWORK OF IMPORTANT INTERNATIONAL COMBINED TRANSPORT LINES

	A		B
	Existing lines which meet the infrastructure requirements and lines to be improved or reconstructed		New lines
	at present	target values	
1. Number of tracks	(not specified)	(not specified)	2
2. Vehicle loading gauge		UIC B <sup>2/</sup>	UIC C <sup>2/</sup>
3. Minimum distance between track centres <sup>1/</sup>		4.0 m	4.2 m
4. Nominal minimum speed	100 km/h <sup>3/</sup>	120 km/h <sup>3/</sup>	120 km/h <sup>3/</sup>
5. Authorized mass per axle:			
Wagons ≤ 100 km/h	20 t	22,5 t	22,5 t
≤ 120 km/h	20 t	20 t	20 t
6. Maximum gradient <sup>1/</sup>	(not specified)	(not specified)	12.5 mm/m
7. Minimum useful siding length	600 m	750 m	750 m

<sup>1/</sup> Not of immediate relevance for combined transport, but recommended for efficient international combined transport.

<sup>2/</sup> UIC: International Union of Railways.

<sup>3/</sup> Minimum standards for combined transport trains (see annex IV).



# Protocol to AGTC Agreement

## Protocol on Combined Transport on Inland Waterways to the AGTC Agreement

### 9 Contracting Parties:

Bulgaria, Czech Republic, Denmark, Hungary, Luxembourg, Netherlands, Romania, Serbia, Switzerland

2015 activities focused on bringing the Protocol in line with the AGN

United Nations Economic Commission for Europe

Protocol on  
Combined Transport on Inland Waterways  
to the European Agreement on  
Important International Combined Transport Lines  
and Related Installations (AGTC) of 1991  
17 January 1997



Photo Source: Short Sea Shipping Inland Waterway Promotion Center (Germany)



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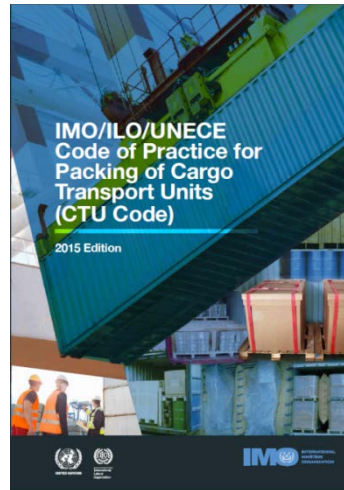
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# CTU Code

## IMO/ILO/UNECE Code of Practice for Packing of Containers (CTU Code)

- Non mandatory - but is going global
- Adopted by UNECE, IMO and ILO in 2014
- Online, searchable version available in English
- PDF version available in all official UN languages, other language versions are also being uploaded to the website



[www.unece.org/trans/wp24/guidelinespackingctus/intro.html](http://www.unece.org/trans/wp24/guidelinespackingctus/intro.html)



# Other WP.24 activities

- Analysis of freight forwarders market
- Intermodal transport terminals study
- Guidelines for the preparation of National Master Plans on freight transport and logistics
  - a) *Framework of guidelines based secretariat report*
  - b) *Tool-box of policy measures and mechanisms*
- National Intermodal Policies database
- Intermodal transport and the TIR Convention



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Thank you for your attention

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