EUROPEAN AGREEMENT ON MAIN INTERNATIONAL RAILWAY LINES (AGC)

The E-rail traffic census

Note by the secretariat
2005 E-Rail Census

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UNECE long tradition of Censuses
2005 E-Rail Census

MANDATE

• Informal Working Group on Rail Census Methodologies in Geneva (13-14 June 2000) convened by:
  Working Party on Rail Transport (SC.2) and
  Working Party on Transport Statistics (WP.6)
  → Feasibility of an E-Rail Census along the lines of the AGC network.

• The Inland Transport Committee (ITC)
  endorsed and
  approved the proposal to convene an Ad hoc Meeting on the E-Rail Traffic Census in 2003
TO AVOID DUPLICATION

- EU member States:
  - rail census based on Regulation No. 91/2003 of 16 December 2002 on rail transport statistics (European Parliament and the Council)
  - Reference also made to the Decision by the European Parliament and the Council no. 1692/96/CE (development of the trans-European transport network)
- WP.6 recommended that UNECE secretariat and Eurostat should carry out jointly the E-Rail Census 2005.

ITC RESOLUTION

  - Invites Governments:
    - To take a census of traffic on the E-rail lines, in accordance with AGC, AGTC
    - To supply the results, in conformity with the Recommendations adopted by WP.6/ITC
    - Recommends that Governments take a census of traffic on other non-urban rail lines in their national territory (same Recommendations)
Coverage of the Census

- Lines in the European Agreement on Main International Railway Lines (AGC) of 1985
- Lines in the European Agreement on Important International Combined Transport Lines and Related Installations (AGTC) of 1991
- For EU countries, lines in the Trans-European rail network (TEN) (Decision 1692/96/EC)

DATA TO BE COLLECTED

- Goods train movements per year
- Passenger train movements per year
- Other train movements (service trains, etc.) per year (OPTIONAL)
- Technical characteristics of the rail network segments
- Geographical co-ordinates of the rail network segments
Technical characteristics of the rail network segments

- Network segment identifier
- Gauge
- Length in km
- Number of tracks
- Segments electrified
- Type of current (AC/DC) and voltage

COLLECTED DATA

- Data provided by 25 countries (in majority EU+Norway, Switzerland, Turkey)
- 7 Countries: data not available (Armenia, Azerbaijan, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Croatia, Romania, Russia, UK)
2010 E-RAIL CENSUS

• Ad Hoc Group of Experts (11 Nov 2008)
• Draft Resolution + Recommendations to be adopted by ITC (24-26 Feb 2009)
• Deadline for acceptation of Resolution: 30 September 2009
• Census in 2010
• Data to be provided before 30 June 2012
THANK YOU!

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