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Dear Sir, Madam,

As Director General of UIC I'm honored to invite you to attend the 10th Edition of UIC World Security Congress, taking place this year from the 26th to the 28th November in Lisbon, Portugal. The 10th Edition of the UIC World Security Congress is organised by UIC in partnership with the Portuguese rail companies REFER and CP.

Following the three previous editions that were mainly dedicated to the transverse topics rail security:

- "Technologies" in Rome in 2011 organized in partnership with FS group,
- "Human factors" in Bratislava in 2012 organized in partnership with ZSSK,
- "Strategies, regulations and partnerships" in Paris UIC HQ organized in partnership with SNCF;

This 10th edition will focus, as decided in the last UIC Security Platform steering committee, to discuss and develop the concept of "comprehensive rail system protection" which is gathering two main topics:

- Coherence between the rail protection policies addressing safety, security, and other hazards or risks (civil defense, civil protection, natural disasters and other disruptions).
- Resilience of the rail systems or services: crisis management and communication.

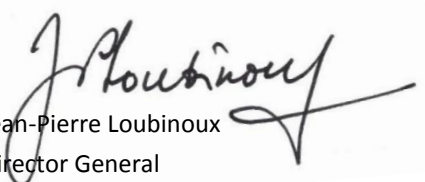
The importance to be given to these themes, which naturally involve first the owners of the rail infrastructure but also the railway undertakings, will depend of the interests, needs or requests that you will provide us with.

You'll find attached a call for papers form to be returned before Friday 5 September 2014. This information will enable us to organize the Congress efficiently and to build a detailed programme of the Congress, which should answer your needs and wishes in the best way. Also on the UIC website an online registration will be available from beginning of August.

Please, don't hesitate to contact the UIC security division (security@uic.org) which remains at your disposal for any further information you may require.

Looking forward to meeting you in Lisbon during this 10th Edition of the Global Rail Security Congress which will be particularly important due to the addressed themes and also in regards to the European framework developments on EU Internal Security Strategy for 2015-2020.

Yours sincerely,


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