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Save the Date: 13th UIC Sustainability Conference in Vienna, 12, 13 & 14 October 2016

Key issues will be discussed on how sustainability can give rail a competitive advantage

(*Paris, 15 June 2016*) Following the success of previous editions held in London in 2008, Madrid in 2010 and Venice in 2012, UIC is jointly organising the 13th edition of the UIC Sustainability Conference with Austrian Federal Railways <u>ÖBB</u>. This year, the conference will take place in the imperial city of Vienna at the famous <u>Hofburg International Congress and Event Centre</u> and this forthcoming event in Vienna is an example of ÖBB's active participation in the work and challenges of UIC.

The conference will bring together high-level speakers from international organisations along with senior leaders from the railway sector and an audience of over 200 delegates to discuss a sustainable future for the railway sector by examining the key issues of how sustainability can give rail a competitive advantage, attract investment whilst reducing costs and risk.

- **The first day, 12 October**, will deal with the strategic dimension, giving the floor to high level speakers from the United Nations, World Bank, EU Commission, Austrian government, railway companies from different countries, EU transport institutions, followed by a gala dinner.
- The second day, 13 October, will be more focused on technical aspects: Numerous Parallel sessions will deal with key sustainability issues affecting the rail sector including energy, noise, carbon, sustainability reporting, climate change adaptation, sustainable mobility, recycling and sustainable procurement, sustainability for maintenance activities.
- The third day, 14 October, will be dedicated to technical visits.

A programme outline is available on the dedicated <u>website</u> and will be updated regularly over the coming months.

Please register on the website <u>here</u>.

There is no charge to attend this event; however places are strictly limited and will be allocated on a first come first served basis.

Website: http://uic-environment.org/

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