

### North America: Global economic context

#### ✓ Economic growth:

- -2.6 % in 2009 (start of the crisis)
- 3 % in 2010
- 1.8 % in 2011
- 2.8 % end 2012
- 1.9 % in 2013
- 2.8 % in 2014 (FMI forecast)

#### **✓** World economic growth

- 3.7 % in 2013
- 3 % in 2014 (FMI forecast)
- 3.9 % in 2015

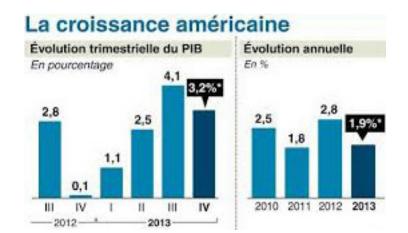
#### ✓ World trade:

• USA: world's largest importer and exporter of goods in 2012 (World Bank)

#### ✓ Population:

- •317 million in 2013, + 0,7 % (+1.1 % in the world)
- •339 million in 2020
- •409 millions in 2050
- •500 millions in 2100 (United Nations forecast)

•Rate of urbanisation: over 82 % of people live in cities in 2013





### Political/economic context:

American Recovery & Reinvestment Act, 2009

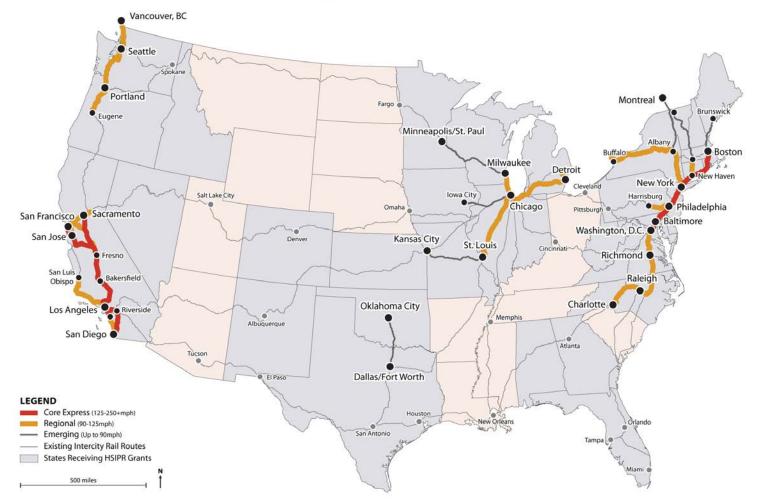
-> strategic investment of **10 billion \$** to:



- Provide rail access to new communities
- Improve the reliability, speed and frequency of existing lines
- -135 billion Americans (44% of the population): near a rail corridor ready to receive significant investment
- -Investment at 3 levels:
- \* Express Services of frequent trains (125-250 mph): most populated regions
- \*Regional Services (90-125 mph): between medium and large towns
- \*Emerging Services (up to 90 mph): linking communities to the rail transport network for the future development of corridors
- -> Strategic approach of President B. Obama's vision: Provide 80% of Americans with access to high speed within the next 25 years

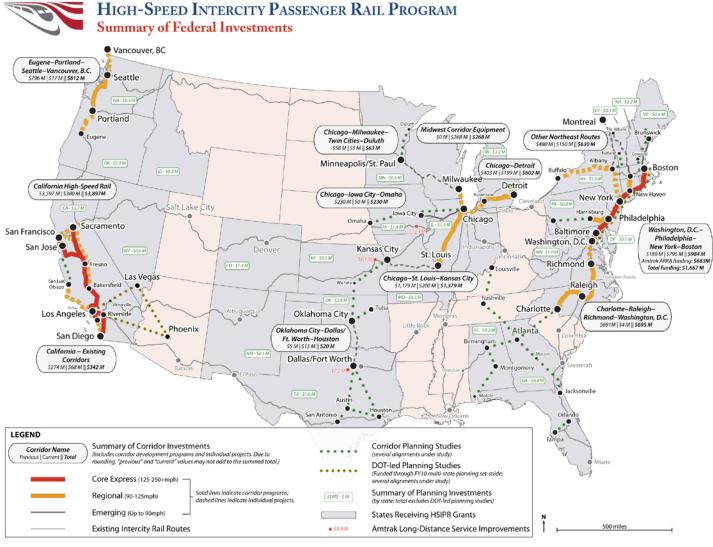














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#### ✓ <u>UIC Members:</u>







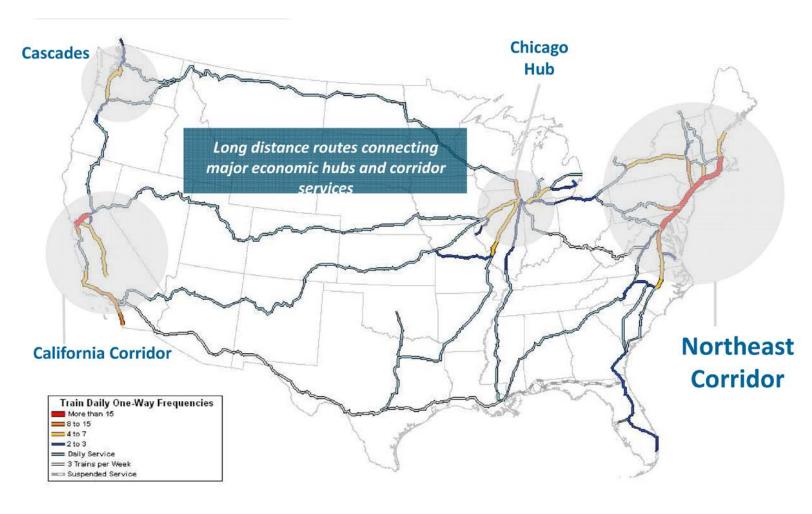




### ✓ Figures:

- 34 000 km of lines in the USA, 12 500 km in Canada
- 300 trains / day (AMTRAK), 20 000 employees; 500 trains / week in Canada
- 31.6 million passengers in 2013 in the USA





**Amtrak Northeast Corridor Infrastruture** 



### **UIC** action

### HIGH SPEED: CHSRA

- -By 2029, the system will connect San Francisco to Los Angeles in 3 hours at a speed of 200 miles per hour (320 km/h)
- -Possible extension towards Sacramento and San Diego: 24 stations, 800 miles (1287 km)



## **Action by UIC Members**

#### **FREIGHT: AAR**

- -Aligning rail freight industry with transport needs
- -Improving rail productivity and safety

#### **RESEARCH: TTCI**

- -Subsidiary of AAR, research body
- -Finding new technological solutions for the rail industry
- -Research carried out on tracks, bridges to improve productivity

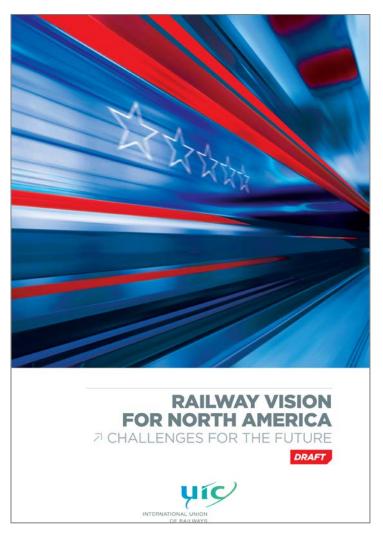
#### FRA:

- -Enactment of safety regulations
- -Leading Research and Development projects
- -Support to the government to rehabilitate the NEC Corridor, ...



### Preparing the NORTH AMERICAN vision

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### **Latin America**













### Latin America: Global economic context

#### ✓ Economic growth:

- 7.2 % in 2010
- 2.8 % end 2012
- 3 % in 2013
- 3.6 % in 2014 (forecast)
- ✓ Slow down of world trade in 2012 affecting all countries
- ✓ Population:
- 581 million in 2013 (source: World Bank), +1.2 %
- **✓** Record rate of urbanisation:
- •over 80 % of people live in cities in 2013,
- •90 % in 2050
- √ Transport and access to the city: key question for South Americans



### **Latin America: Global context**

- Gradual phasing out of the rail transport mode which no longer met the needs of mobility and impact of various economic crises
- We are currently witnessing a railway revival, which is mostly on an intra-urban level (Sao Paulo, Bogota, ..) before finding the necessary investments to develop inter-city projects



### Facts & Figures for the Latin American Region

- Difference in economic, political, social and industrial conditions
- Differences in the design of rail systems
- 7 different track gauges
- Few electrified lines, few double tracks
- Few international connections, no concept of continental network
- 65 000 km of lines
- 445 million passengers
- 500 million tonnes of goods



# Railway landscape of Latin American Region, privatisation, concessions

- From the 1990s, Argentina started a process of privatisation according to the principles that inspired the transformation of railways in Europe (Directive 91/440)
- Other countries are following similar processes, each depending on its history, its market features, the political and administrative context
- Some countries (Venezuela) have started to develop railways. Others (Paraguay) have practically shut them down

# Railway landscape of Latin American Region, Process of Privatisation

 After 20 years the results of this process and the role of the private sector are very varied, but we can conclude:

### Freight:

- A mainly positive result
- But no real concept of international traffic or continental network
- Limited development of intermodal freight

### **Passengers:**

- Traffic practically shut down on main lines
- Development of urban and suburban services
- Feeble rail industry



### Role of UIC

#### UIC Members

4 Members + other freight and passenger companies wishing to join









### Role of UIC, objectives

- -Promote the advantages of rail in Latin American countries, raise awareness among political and economic stakeholders
- -Improve competition between railways and industry promote interoperability

#### **Main results** expected from this cooperation:

- -Sharing of information on railway technology
- -Promoting technical development and know-how
- -Encouraging members to adopt best practice



# **Brazilian impetus**

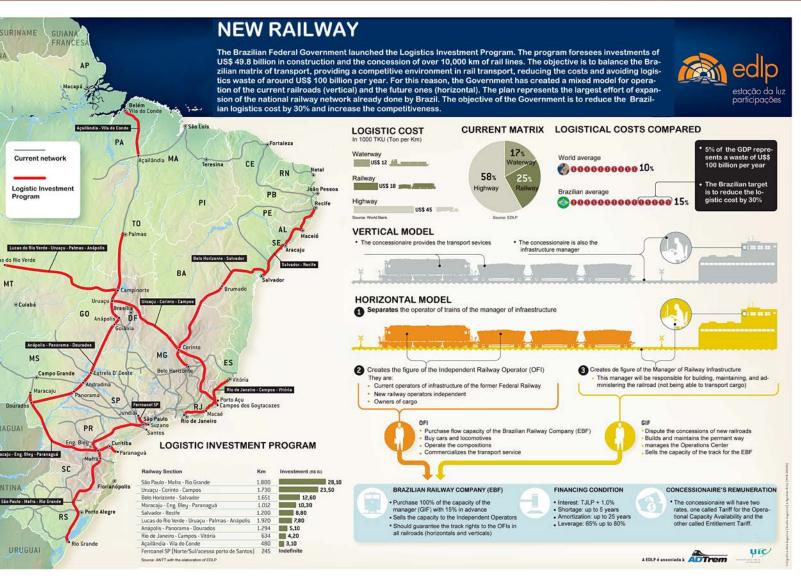




In December 2012,
Dilma Rousseff stated in front of all UIC Members
that she had complete faith in the future role of railways in her country
and on the South American continent



### **Brazilian impetus**





### **Latin American Vision**

- Publication of the Vision in November 2013
- In cooperation with the various financial partners (World Bank, BIRD, etc.),
   several actions planned to help UIC members to develop their concept of transport, their company,
   and promote sustainable transport
   in the region through developing a concept of a modern railway system



#### Points to discuss in **future debates**

- Report by the World Bank:
  - -How to spend more and better on infrastructure?
  - -How to get private investors involved in infrastructure projects?



