European Collaboration on Security

COLPOFER
French:
Collaboration des Services de police ferroviaire et de sécurité

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Coordination group member
History

COLPOFER is a European collaborative association, founded in 1981 by NS and Netherlands railway police.

Since 1998 COLPOFER has been a special group within the UIC, and since 2008 as the European section of the worldwide UIC security platform.

Assigned members are railway companies, railway police forces, railway security services and other organisations which deal with railway security.

Today there are 42 railway and police organisations from 25 European countries enrolled in COLPOFER.
COLPOFER has been the only European association of railway security experts (of railway companies) and railway police forces since 1981. At the same time, it is the regional group for Europe of the UIC security Platform. COLPOFER holds the organisational status of a special group within the UIC. COLPOFER unites members and non-members of the UIC in the prevention of crime within the railway systems.
## Cooperation partners:

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## Members:

- **Railway companies:**
  
  - e.g.: SNCF, RENFE, Green Cargo, Jernbaneverket, CFR Calatori

- **Multi-national companies**
  
  - e.g.: Eurail Group

- **Railway Police forces:**
  
  - e.g.: Ministero dell'Interno, KLPD, ŽP, BMI Germany

- **Other authorities:**
  
  - e.g.: AFER

- **Security services:**
  
  - e.g.: CSG, RVR
Security as the common goal of hazard control by the police and the security precautions taken by companies

Statutory mandate: avert hazards (prevent criminal offences and regulatory offences)

- security as quality feature
- convey subjective sense of security to customer
- protect company against damage

Police

Rail Companies

work together as partners

Security

Security on railway premises
Functions of the Association

- development of strategies and methods for preventing and combating crime on railway premises

- exchange of experience and information at an operational level between railway police and railway security forces

- provision of recommendations to railway companies and police on improving the security of railway customers and staff

- recommendations to other bodies on all railway security matters
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General assembly (convenes twice a year)

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Operational and external collaboration

Coordination group

Working Groups
Working Groups in progress

- Ticket Fraud
- Security in International Freight Traffic
- Protection against terrorist activities
- Collaboration on Major Events
- Protection against Metal Thefts
- Security on railways in South-East Europe (DACIA)
- Security in pan-European corridor X
- Brenner Group
“Protection against Terrorist Activities” Working Group

- Operational recommendations
- Technical recommendations
- Training recommendations
- Exchange of “best practices” for prevention
- Arrangement of a communication network.
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