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UIC, the worldwide railway organisation, publishes a third guidance document entitled RAILSilience:

How the rail sector fought Covid-19 during lockdowns

(Paris, 4 June 2020) Since the launch by the International Union of Railways of the Covid-19 Task Force created at the beginning of March, which combines UIC member companies, experts and partner organisations, relevant information and knowledge about preventive measures and procedures adapted to the railway sector have been exchanged to respond to the Covid-19 crisis.

The UIC Covid-19 Task Force has 70 Members and 18 international organisations.

In the spirit of sharing current practices, UIC members and partner organisations have provided the Task Force with significant input leading to the publication of the first UIC document on Management of Covid-19, a guidance for railway stakeholders providing potential measures, on 13 March 2020.

Read the full document here:

<https://uic.org/IMG/pdf/uic-management-of-covid-19-guidance-for-railway-stakeholders.pdf>

A second guidance document which looks beyond the crisis and focuses on potential measures to restore confidence in rail travel following the Covid-19 pandemic was published on 28 April 2020.

Read the Guidance here:

https://uic.org/IMG/pdf/potential_measures_to_restore_confidence.pdf

This third Guidance document focuses on How the rail sector fought Covid-19 during lockdowns. The main themes of this report deal with the UIC Covid-19 Task Force and how to build “RAILsilience” together, the Covid-19 and the Rail Sector, the response measure and the mitigation measures put in place to stop the spread of the virus.

Building RAILSilience together: Whilst the outbreak of this corona virus (Covid-19) has created an unprecedented situation that is continuing to impact people across the globe, the rail sector immediately mobilised and went straight to work, together, sharing and exchanging on best practices to adopt. In doing so, the railways have revealed their ability to resist, absorb, accommodate to and recover from the effects of this pandemic in a timely, coordinated and efficient manner, for the preservation and restoration of essential rail public transport and freight services. This held especially true during the widespread government-imposed lockdowns, as this document demonstrates.

The rail sector has already demonstrated its resilience and will continue to do so in the future! Thus, we talk herein about RAILSilience!

Read this new document here:

https://uic.org/IMG/pdf/railsilience_how_the_rail_sector_fought_covid-19_during_lockdowns.pdf

A fourth guidance document is currently being prepared, which focuses on the recovery period and the various measures being taken by the railways post-confinement.

All these publications can be downloaded on the UIC Covid-19 dedicated webpage:

<https://uic.org/covid-19/>

Do not hesitate to visit our UIC Mediacenter for audio-visual resources on Covid-19:

<https://mediacenter.uic.org/fr/sws-nav/540-994-covid19/page/1/template/second-level> and join our dedicated LinkedIn Group: <https://www.linkedin.com/groups/13846065/>

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