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FREIGHT FORWARDERS FORUM 2021: BUILDING SUSTAINABLE AND RESILIENT SUPPLY CHAINS

The 2021 edition of CLECAT's Freight Forwarders Forum, entitled 'Building Sustainable and Resilient Supply Chains', will take place online on 25 November, from 14.00-17.30h CET. The programme and registration form can be accessed on the CLECAT Website.

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CLECAT WELCOMES PROGRESS ON SAFE AND SECURE TRUCK PARKING AREAS

Over the last years, cargo crime has been continuously increasing, putting drivers at risk and exposing companies to losses. CLECAT fully supports the work of the European Commission to establish a Delegated Act on Safe and Secure Truck Parking Areas, to which it has contributed significantly during the drafting process.

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VESSELS' SCHEDULE RELIABILITY REMAINS AT RECORD LOW LEVEL

On 28 October, analyst Sea Intelligence published the latest issue of their Global Liner Performance Report, showing no signs of any rapid improvement of container line schedule reliability. The latest figures show that just 34% of vessels arrived within one day of their scheduled arrival time in September,

maintaining the range of 34%-40% seen throughout the year. On a year-on-year basis, schedule reliability in September 2021 dropped to 22 percentage points.

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PLEDGE TO REACH ZERO-EMISSION SHIPPING BY 2050

In the context of the UN Climate Change Conference (COP26) in Glasgow, fourteen countries led by Denmark took action to decarbonise shipping, issuing the "Declaration on Zero Emission Shipping by 2050." With the signatures of major shipping nations including the United States, United Kingdom, Germany, France, and Norway as well as key players in the industry including Panama, the declaration focuses on immediate reductions for shipping to reach zero emissions by 2050.

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EUROPEAN ROAD FREIGHT RATES HIT AN ALL-TIME HIGH

The latest quarterly European Road Freight Rate Benchmark published by Transport Intelligence shows that prices have hit historic highs across Europe, driven by a mix of robust economic growth, global supply chain bottlenecks, rising costs and scarce capacity.

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Rail

CACTUS FINAL REPORT: BOOSTING COMBINED TRANSPORT

On 19 October, the International Union of Railways (UIC) and the International Union for road-rail combined transport (UIRR) presented the results of the Comparative Analysis of the Combined Transport Usages and Standards (CACTUS), a work commissioned by the European Union Agency for Railways (ERA) to facilitate Combined Transport activities and to boost its integration with other modes of transport.



WINTER SEASON SLOT RELIEF ENTERS INTO FORCE

On 30 October, the Delegated Regulation providing for a temporary modification of the use-it or lose-it rule at EU airports within the EU Slot Regulation for the Winter Season 2021/2022, running from 31 October 2021 until 26 March 2022, entered into force.

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AIR CARGO UP 9.1% IN SEPTEMBER, CAPACITY REMAINS CONSTRAINED

On 3 November, the International Air Transport Association (IATA) released data for global air cargo markets in September 2021, showing that demand continued to be well above pre-crisis levels and that capacity constraints persist.

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EU AID FOR TRADE REPORT 2021

According to the newest EU Aid for Trade Progress Report 2021, released on 29 October, EU aid to improve partner countries' trading capacity increased and helped them tackle the COVID-19 pandemic. Women's economic empowerment, environment and biodiversity protection, as well as digitalisation, have been the key areas of the EU Aid for Trade action.

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EU-US GLOBAL AGREEMENT ON STEEL AND ALUMINIUM

On 31 October, the European Commission President von der Leyen and United States President Biden agreed to start discussions on a Global Arrangement on Sustainable Steel and Aluminium, marking a new milestone in the transatlantic relationship. As a part of that partnership, they intend to negotiate for the first time, a global arrangement to address carbon intensity and global overcapacity.

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CLECAT Meetings

CLECAT Customs and Indirect Taxation Institute - CBAM 9 November 2021, Online

CLECAT Supply Chain Security Institute

22 November 2021, Online

CLECAT Board/GA

25 November 2021, Brussels

CLECAT Freight Forwarders Forum

25 November 2021, Brussels

CLECAT Air Logistics Institute

26 November 2021, Brussels

CLECAT Maritime Logistics Institute

30 November 2021, Online

EU Meetings

Council of the European Union

Transport, Telecommunications and Energy Council 2-3 December, Brussels

9 December 2021, Brussels

Environment Council

20 December 2021, Brussels

European Parliament

European Parliament Transport Committee

15 November 2021, Brussels

European Parliament Environment Committee

18 November 2021, Brussels

European Parliament Plenary

10-11 November 2021, Brussels



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