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Brussels News

CLECAT-DG TAXUD WORKSHOP ON ICS2

On 6 July, CLECAT & DG TAXUD held a joint workshop on the new Import Control System 2.0 (ICS2), organised to support freight forwarders to prepare for the new EU customs advance cargo information system. More than 170 participants joined the event in Brussels and online and actively exchanged directly with the Commission on various aspects of the upcoming requirements and processes, and issues encountered during companies' ongoing preparations.

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CZECH PRESIDENCY OF THE COUNCIL KICKS OFF

The Czech Republic officially took the reins of the Presidency of the Council of the EU on 1st July. The Presidency's motto "Europe as a Task: Rethink, Rebuild, Repower" will drive the agenda of the Czech government at EU level for the next six months as also detailed in the Presidency's work programme.

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PROPOSED CHANGES TO TEN-T GUIDELINES RELATING TO WAR IN UKRAINE

On 6 July, the European Commission published a call for evidence concerning an amendment to the proposed guidelines for the Trans-European Transport (TEN-T) network in light of the war in Ukraine.

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Maritime

CARRIERS INCREASE BLANK SAILINGS TO MITIGATE REDUCED DEMAND

The Loadstar recently reported on the latest edition of project44's Ocean Carrier Report, concluding that ocean carriers are resorting to more aggressive blanking strategies to manage a dip in demand and decreasing freight spot rates.

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Air

PARLIAMENT PUSHES FOR GREENER AVIATION FUELS

On 7 July, the European Parliament's plenary adopted its position on ReFuel EU Aviation, a legislative proposal enshrining rules to increase the uptake of sustainable fuels in order to cut emissions from aviation and ensure Europe becomes climate neutral by 2050. Following this adoption, trilogues can start.

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Air

MAY AIR CARGO FIGURES IMPROVED BY EASING OF OMICRON RESTRICTIONS IN CHINA

On 7 July, the International Air Transport Association (IATA) published data for global air cargo markets in 2022, showing that the easing of the COVID-19 Omicron restrictions in China helped to alleviate supply chain constraints and contributed to a performance improvement in May.

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Road

EP ADOPTS PROPOSAL TO EASE REQUIREMENTS FOR UKRAINIAN DRIVERS IN THE EU

On 7 July, the European Parliament unanimously adopted its position on the proposal setting out allowing Ukrainian citizens residing in the EU under the temporary protection regime to continue to use their Ukrainian driving licence without needing to exchange it for an EU driving licence or to sit a new driving test.

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Supply Chain Security

CLECAT HIGHLIGHTS AVIATION SECURITY PRIORITIES AT TIACA REGIONAL SYMPOSIUM

On 28 June, CLECAT participated in a panel discussion on safety, security and regulatory issues in Europe at The International Air Cargo Association's (TIACA) Regional Symposium Europe, highlighting the freight forwarding industry's views on the current legislative framework, as well as the challenges ahead.

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Rail

€50 MILLION LOAN TO UKRAINIAN RAILWAYS

On 5 July, Executive Vice-President for an Economy that Works for People, Valdis Dombrovskis signed an agreement on behalf of the EU, allowing the European Bank for Reconstruction and Development (EBRD) to provide working capital loans to Ukrainian Railways and Farmak, amounting, respectively, to €50 million and €20 million. This forms part of the Commission's ongoing support to international financial institutions enabling them to finance companies providing essential services in Ukraine.

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Rail

COMMISSION PROPOSES TO SIMPLIFY PROCEDURES FOR STATE AID TO GREEN TRANSPORT

On 6 July, the European Commission proposed a Council Regulation enabling the Commission to exempt from prior notification under EU State aid rules certain types of aid for rail, inland waterway and multimodal transport, with the objective of promoting green transport.

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Digitalisation

WORK ON EFTI IMPLEMENTATION & CERTIFICATION MOVING FORWARD

The Digital Transport and Logistics Forum (DTLF) Subgroup 1 (Paperless Transport), which is the formal Commission Expert Group on the electronic reight transport information (eFTI) Regulation, continues its work on the eFTI Regulation's implementation and certification aspects.

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Sustainability

INDUSTRIAL TRANSFORMATION PLATFORM KICK-OFF EVENT

On 28 June, CLECAT attended the kick-off event of the Industrial Transformation Platform at the European Parliament's premises. Hosted by MEP Ismail Ertug (S&D, Germany), the meeting addressed several challenges related to the transition to zero-emission transport and industry.

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CLECAT Meetings

CLECAT Customs and Indirect Taxation Institute
13 July 2022, Online

CLECAT Air Freight Institute
4 October 2022, Online

CLECAT Supply Chain Security Institute
4 October 2022, Online

CLECAT Air Freight Institute
22 November 2022, Brussels (hybrid-meeting)

CLECAT Supply Chain Security Institute
22 November 2022, Brussels (hybrid-meeting)

EU Meetings

European Parliament

European Parliament Plenary
12-15 September 2022, Strasbourg

European Parliament Environment Committee
11-12 July 2022, Brussels

European Parliament Transport Committee
11-12 July 2022, Brussels

Council of the EU

Informal meeting of environment ministers
12-14 July 2022, Prague (Czech Republic)



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