



NEW OPERA Stakeholders' Meeting
1 July 2005 – Maison des Associations, BRUSSELS



INVITATION to the
NEW OPERA Stakeholders' Meeting
1 July 2005, Brussels

In the White Paper on “European Transport Policy for 2010: Time to decide”, for the first time ever, the European citizens' and stakeholders' needs are placed at the heart of the transport strategy.

Within the 6th Framework Programme, the European Commission has accepted and funded **NEW OPERA**, a project fathered by the European Freight & Logistics Leaders Forum (www.europeanfreight.org) for researching on a **New European Rail Infrastructure totally dedicated to freight**.

The NEW OPERA project does not only analyse long term cargo mobility requirements, but it also envisages - through an evolving Scenario at 5, 10 and 15 years from now - the future needs of a borderless European Economic Society up to the year 2020.

This letter invites you to the **First NEWOPERA Stakeholders' Meeting** to be held on **1 July 2005** at the **Maison des Associations, Rue de Washington 40, 1050 Brussels**.

The Meeting will have the objective to introduce the project to a wide audience of freight transport stakeholders, the work packages and activities developed so far and to promote an open debate to collect further ideas and contributions from the stakeholders and any interested parties. Expert panels will solicit questions from the audience on the NEW OPERA concept and develop the themes of common interest.

We take the opportunity to inform you that NEW OPERA has also activated a website under www.newopera.org, to be an instrument of communication and dissemination both for project activities and stakeholders' interactions. To this effect, transport users are kindly requested to reply to the **Online Questionnaire “Future Trends within Supply Chain Development and Philosophy”**, whose aim it is to provide the supporting evidence for the future cargo mobility needs.

Do not miss this opportunity to be a key actor in this major European evolving and changing process !

With kind regards

Franco Castagnetti

Project Coordinator

Enclosed: Agenda of the Stakeholders' Meeting & Registration Form



AGENDA

NEW OPERA STAKEHOLDERS' MEETING

1 JULY 2005, 09H30-16H30

Place: Maison des Associations, Rue de Washington 40, BRUSSELS – BELGIUM

Time	Item	Remarks
09h30	Registration and coffee	ALL
INTRODUCTION TO THE NEW OPERA PROJECT		
10h00 – 10h15	Welcome by the Project Coordinator and the European Commission	Coordinator, F&L EC, DG TREN
10h15 – 10h30	Coordinator's word: NEW OPERA Project Outline	Coordinator, F&L
10h30– 11h00	Update on the activities and progress of the first 6 project months: <ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Work Package 1: State of Innovative Experience○ Work Package 2: Operating and Technical Systems / Aspects○ Work Package 4: New Product - Services	Work Package Leaders F&L , Alstom
11H00-11H30	COFFEE BREAK (30 MIN)	
OPEN DISCUSSIONS OF ALL PARTICIPANTS WITH EXPERT PANELS		
11h30 – 12h15	Panel N° 1 Market Expectations from Industrial Customers of Borderless Transport / Logistic Services in terms of Cost, Service, Speed and Quality	Expert Panel ALL
12h15 – 13h00	Panel N° 2 Market Expectations from Transport Service Providers	Expert Panel ALL
13H00-14H30	NETWORKING LUNCH (90 MIN)	
14h30-15h15	Panel N° 3 The New Emerging Rail Freight Economy: New Products & Services, Market Segmentation, Intermodality, Port Connections and New Actors	Expert Panel ALL
15h15 – 16h00	Panel N° 4 Network Approach: Scenario Evolution & Potential Future Rail Freight Corridors	Expert Panel ALL
16h00 – 16h30	Conclusions	Coordinator, F&L
16H30	END OF MEETING	



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Registration Form

Please return this form to UNIFE, Ms Annika Nierobisch by fax: +32.2.626.12.61 or +32.2.649.27.85

Mr/Ms/Mrs:

Company:

Position:

Address:

City:

Phone:

Fax:

E-mail:

The participation to the NEW OPERA Stakeholders' Meeting is **FREE OF CHARGE !**

Date & Signature



ACCOMODATION (if needed)

All hotels are in 5-10 min walking distance to the meeting place

Participants are asked to make their own reservations directly with the hotel !

1. L'Hôtel Beau Site ***

Rue de la Longue Haie 76

Rate: ca. 70€ breakfast included

Tel: +32 2 640 88 89

www.benotel.com/belgium/brussels/beausite

2. L'Hôtel Agenda ***

Rue de Florence 6

Rate: ca. 87€ breakfast included

Tel: +32 2 539 00 31

www.hotel-agenda.com

3. Hotel Four Points ****

Rue Spaak 15

Rate: between 105€-120€

Tel: +32 2 645 61 11

www.brussels-hotels-info.net/four_points_brussels.html

4. Hôtel Le Châtelain *****

Rue du Châtelain 17

Rate: ca. 165€

Tel +32 2 646 0055

www.jpmoser.com/hotellechatelain.html

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