



About UNIFE

the European Rail Supply Industry Association

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Introduction from the Director General



Dear Reader,

Across Europe and around the world we have seen a growing awareness, both among politicians and in the wider public, of the urgent need to reduce CO2 emissions and air pollution. Thanks to the excellent products and innovative technologies developed by European train-builders and rail equipment suppliers, rail transport provides a proven means of moving people and goods quickly and efficiently, and it also offers unmissable opportunities to achieve rapid decarbonisation alongside major improvements in air quality – notably in urban areas.

Decisions made at European level have major impacts on the rail industry both within Europe and worldwide. This is true not only for legislation and policies that directly address mobility and transport, but also for those relating to industrial renewal, regional development, research and innovation, public procurement, international trade, employment and skills – among others. Therefore, it is vital that the EU has the right policies, both to boost demand for rail projects and infrastructure investments, and also to help Europe's rail supply industry maintain its global leadership.

Since 1992, UNIFE – the European Rail Supply Industry Association – has represented the rail supply industry to the EU institutions. We have proven to be an important asset to the industry through our many activities – both technical and political – such as: promoting policies that create business opportunities for European suppliers (including SMEs), lobbying for direct investments in rail projects as well as funding for research and innovation, and advocating for market access and a level playing field for European companies seeking to sell their products around the world.

In an increasingly challenging global context, our ambition is to reinforce the European rail supply industry's competitiveness and foster a more favourable environment, so that our Members can continue to grow their businesses in Europe and worldwide. UNIFE is also proud to help its Member companies improve their knowledge and expand their business networks, for example by facilitating their participation in EU-funded research and innovation projects.

To learn more about UNIFE, please peruse this brochure and visit our website (www.unife.org). You can also follow UNIFE on Twitter or LinkedIn for up-to-date news about our activities.

Philippe Citroën
UNIFE Director General



About us

Based in Brussels since 1992, UNIFE represents the European rail supply industry at both the European and international levels and is a trusted partner of the European Union institutions in all matters related to rail and transport.

UNIFE represents the interests of more than 100 small, medium-sized and large companies in the rail sector as well as national industry associations from across Europe. UNIFE's Members include European companies involved in the engineering, design, manufacture, maintenance and refurbishment of rail transport systems, subsystems and related equipment. All segments of the rail industry are represented amongst the membership: system integrators, railway infrastructure and energy suppliers, rolling stock manufacturers (including subsystem suppliers), signalling suppliers and railway engineering companies. UNIFE Members have an 84% market share in Europe and supply more than 46% of the global market for rail equipment and services.

Our Members are committed to providing the best technology in order to meet the challenges arising from growing demand alongside the decarbonization of transport. Furthermore, UNIFE, which is one of the supporting bodies of the European Union Agency for Railways and the European Rail Research Advisory Council (ERRAC), works on interoperability standards and coordinates EU-funded research projects that contribute to the technical harmonisation of railway systems.

System Integrators

UNIFE system integrators provide turnkey railway systems - comprising infrastructure, rolling stock and signalling components - throughout the world.

Rolling Stock and Subsystems

UNIFE Members produce regional, intercity and high-speed trains, electric and diesel locomotives as well as freight wagons for all types of cargo. UNIFE also represents subsystem manufacturers from wheels to pantographs including door systems, couplers, HVAC units, on board signalling equipment and all the necessary equipment for trains.

Infrastructure and Energy

UNIFE Members offer the world's best rail infrastructure/energy products and services: from the supply of track and energy components, installation and maintenance equipment to the provision, building, maintenance and renewal of integrated track and energy systems. Suppliers and contractors deliver and maintain high-quality track infrastructure and energy systems in Europe and around the world.

Signalling and Telecommunications

UNIFE Members also produce signalling and telecommunication systems that ensure safety and also help to increase

the capacity of the railway system. They are committed to supporting the development and deployment of the European Railway Traffic Management System (ERTMS), which will provide a common signalling system across the whole of the European Railway Area. For more and up-to-date information on ERTMS, please visit www.ertms.net.

Railway Engineering

UNIFE Members also provide engineering expertise for rail and urban transport – including planning, design and supervision.

Mission

“Promoting Rail Market Growth for Sustainable Mobility”

The four priorities to achieve our mission:

- Promoting European policies and programmes favourable to rail
- Working towards an interoperable and efficient European railway system
- Ensuring European Rail Supply Industry leadership through advanced research, innovation and quality
- Providing UNIFE Members with strategic and operational knowledge

How UNIFE works

I. Public Affairs

- Advocating policies that increase the global competitiveness of the European Rail Supply Industry
- Supporting modal shift policies that give priority to rail
- Encouraging investment in rail projects
- Promoting rail transport as the best solution to meet social challenges of the future

III. European Rail Research

- Coordinating EU-funded research projects
- Playing an active role in ERRAC - the European Rail Research Advisory Council
- Cooperating with the Shift2Rail Joint Undertaking and contributing to the follow-up of its activities
- Shaping the future of rail research & innovation in Europe

II. Standardisation & Harmonisation

- Collaborating with the EU Agency for Railways on the definition of rail regulations (including the Technical Pillar of the 4th Railway Package) and Technical Specifications for Interoperability (TSIs)
- Supplying expertise for European and International Standardisation Bodies (e.g. CEN-CENELEC, ISO)
- Contributing to the development of the Single European Railway Area

IV. IRIS Certification™

- Promoting the globally recognised rail quality management system, which enables efficient business processes throughout the supply chain
- Cooperating with certification bodies and standardisation organisations to ensure the monitoring of IRIS Certification™
- More than 1800 IRIS Certification™ certificates issued worldwide





Promoting a positive policy framework for our industry's global leadership

Violeta Bulc, EU Transport Commissioner (2014–2019)

I. Public Affairs: ensuring a positive policy framework for rail business

Through its Public Affairs activities, UNIFE is in frequent contact with EU and national decision-makers in order to support the development of a political and financial framework that is conducive to creating more business for European rail suppliers – both inside and outside of Europe.

In order to enable the rail supply industry to maintain its world leadership and the 400 000 jobs it provides in Europe, the UNIFE Public Affairs strategy is based on three inseparable pillars:

1. Supporting EU policies that favour industrial excellence and enable European suppliers to continue producing the best rail products in the world;
2. Advocating EU measures that improve the business environment in the EU and internationally and ensure that European suppliers can produce and sell their products under fair and efficient market conditions;
3. Promoting political and financial instruments that stimulate the demand for rail products in the EU and globally.

Favour industrial excellence

Research and Innovation

Skills and Training

Industry 4.0

Improve the European and international business environment

EU Single Market

International market access and fair global competition

Business environment for SMEs

Stimulate investment in the EU and worldwide

Public grants for rail projects

Mobilising development banks and private investment

Rail-friendly Transport Policies



Providing UNIFE Members with a direct channel to the EU Agency for Railways and CEN/CENELEC

II. Standardisation & Harmonisation

UNIFE has a leading role in coordinating the rail industry's work on European standardisation and technical regulation, covering the entire railway system including rolling stock, signalling, infrastructure and energy.

Recognised by the European Commission and the EU Agency for Railways (ERA) as the official representative body of the European Rail Supply Industry, UNIFE is supporting the Agency's activities in relation to the development of interoperability and safety of the railway system. This includes the work being carried out within the Technical Pillar of the EU's Fourth Railway Package, launched in 2016, establishing the provisions for a harmonised European procedure for vehicle authorisation to be delivered by ERA.

UNIFE also supports the work on the Technical Specifications for Interoperability (TSIs) and on the drafting of technical guidelines, which are key documents for improving interoperability in Europe and fostering the development of an open market for railway products and services, thus contributing to the realisation of a Single European Railway Area. This work, coordinated by the UNIFE Standards and Regulation Group, is carried out by UNIFE's Technical Working Groups which are tasked with defining and promoting UNIFE's positions towards the EU Agency for Railways and the European Standardisation Organisations (CEN, CENELEC and ETSI).

In the framework of the Technical Pillar of the EU's Fourth Railway Package, UNIFE has actively contributed to the revision process of TSIs in relation to Rolling Stock (LOC&PAS), Wagon (WAG), Control Command and Signalling (CCS) and Operation (OPE) amongst others, as well as contributing to the development of the different registers and IT tools developed by ERA.

UNIFE provides a platform for its members to coordinate their standardisation activities and to agree on the standardisation priorities of the industry. UNIFE works closely with the EU Institutions and European Standardisation Organisations to ensure careful coordination within the regulation and standardisation framework and improve the functioning and competitiveness of the rail sector.

Increasing the performance and competitiveness of the rail industry through joint research and innovation



III. European Rail Research: Management and Coordination of EU-funded Research Projects

Joint Research and Innovation (R&I) activities at the European level are vital to ensure the necessary level of technical interoperability and standardisation. They allow for the enhancement of the railway system in a competitive global market. UNIFE supports its Members via the management and coordination of their R&I activities at the European level. Focussing on pre-competitive research, UNIFE enables companies to pave the way for the development of competitive products and technologies and supports all initiatives that have good potential for market uptake. UNIFE steers and coordinates a wide variety of EU-funded research projects, from conception and development to implementation and dissemination.

ERRAC

UNIFE has a leadership role in **ERRAC, the European Rail Research Advisory Council**. This European Technology Platform for rail research has an advisory role to the European Commission in defining rail research strategy and priorities. Within this framework, the relevant stakeholder organisations (e.g. UNIFE, UIC, EIM, CER, UITP) together with leading experts in railway research, have agreed on the "RAIL 2050 Vision Document" which presents a forward-looking strategy and sets out the capabilities that are required to meet the future needs of European rail users. This allows UNIFE and the other ERRAC Members to advise the European Commission on which measures should be taken to further improve the European railway system.

For more and up-to-date information on ERRAC, please visit www.errac.org

From Shift2Rail to Shift2Rail 2

Before 2014, UNIFE, in association with some of its largest Members, organised and prepared the groundwork for a largescale and system-wide public-private partnership for rail research. This initiative, called Shift2Rail, was officially launched in 2014 with the formation of a Joint Undertaking, which is co-financed by the EU (through the Horizon2020 programme) and private sector partners. The aims of this initiative focus on increasing the capacity and reliability, while reducing the life cycle cost of the European rail system. UNIFE was actively involved in the first wave of Shift2Rail lighthouse projects (IT2Rail and Roll2Rail as coordinator and In2Rail as partner) launched in May 2015. UNIFE is also highly involved in the annual Shift2Rail Open Calls and will continue to support its Members in accessing Shift2Rail activities.

Based on new and emerging technologies such as artificial intelligence and autonomous driving, UNIFE has identified nine key enablers as priority areas for European rail research and innovation. The Shift2Rail initiative has already made important progress in these areas. However, the completion of these key enablers will require more research and innovation activities and the extension of the Shift2Rail activities after 2020 - e.g. by including a 'Shift2Rail 2' initiative in the Horizon Europe programme, which is due to start in 2021. UNIFE and its Members in cooperation with other rail stakeholders are working on the preparation of Shift2Rail 2.

For more and up-to-date information on Shift2Rail, please visit www.shift2rail.org

Boosting customer satisfaction and reinforcing the culture of quality in the rail sector



IV. IRIS Certification™ - the Global Quality Management System for the Rail Sector

IRIS is a globally recognised system for the evaluation of business management systems unique to the rail sector. IRIS Certification™ may be awarded following an audit of compliance with the requirements of ISO/TS 22163 (based on ISO 9001) together with a specific set of rules that are relevant to the rail sector.

The certification process and the assessment methodology are managed by UNIFE. With more than 2500 companies registered on the IRIS Portal, and over 1800 IRIS certificates issued, IRIS Certification™ continues to expand its global presence. Numbers aside, rail equipment producers around the globe are sending a strong message to customers and stakeholders to use IRIS Certification™ in order to continually improve performance while at the same time meeting the highest standards set for quality, process, and organisation. By applying the IRIS system, efficient and effective business processes can be implemented throughout the entire supply chain, leading to quality improvements and cost reductions.

The aim of the IRIS scheme is to create a win-win situation where all stakeholders benefit from transparent requirements that are acceptable to all. IRIS boosts customer satisfaction and implements a culture of quality in the rail sector by promoting quality-focussed methods and behaviours.

The confidence of the rail sector is now enhanced by the creation of the International Rail Quality Board (IRQB), which will take the lead at global level. The IRQB aims to foster a global culture of quality across the whole rail sector, notably by promoting the use of the IRIS Certification™ system worldwide.

IRIS Management Centre

The IRIS Management Centre (IMC) is responsible for the promotion and control of the scheme, as well as the daily business linked to the IRIS database, training courses and answering customer requests.

For more and up-to-date information on IRIS Certification™, please visit www.iris-rail.org, and for more information on IRQB, please visit www.irqb.org

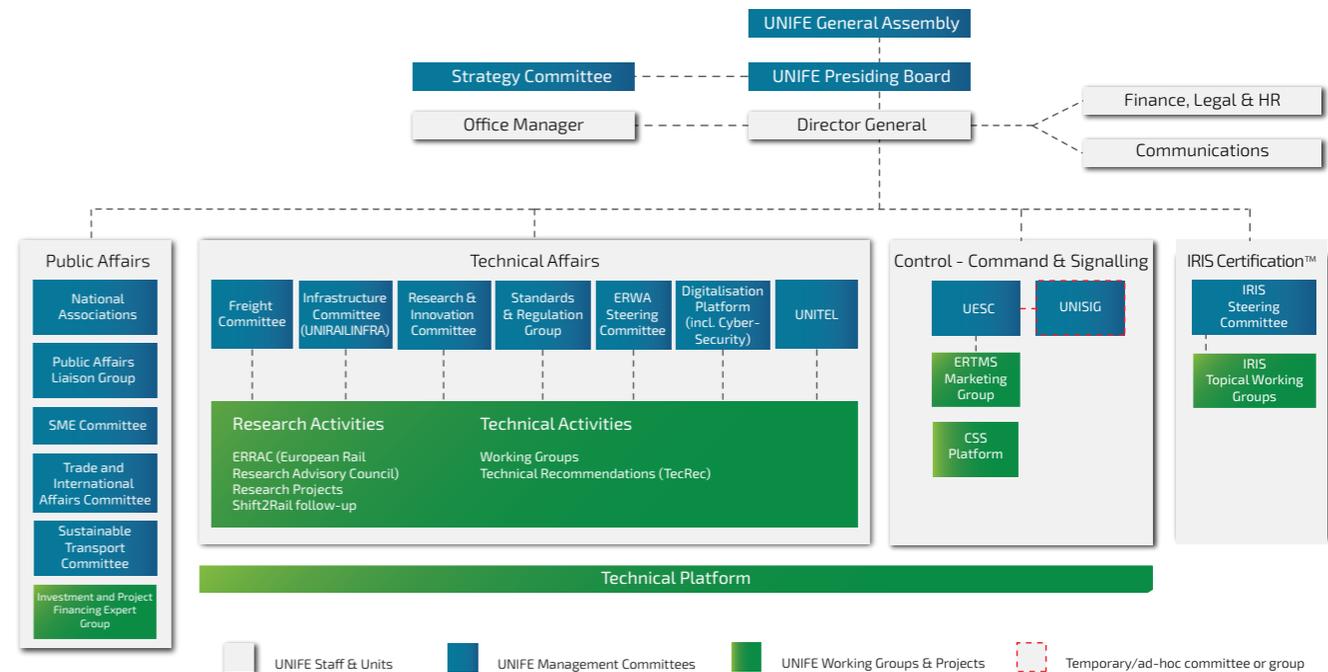


Promoting a Culture of Quality
in Rail worldwide

Promoting rail transport as the best way to meet mobility challenges and reduce CO2 emissions



UNIFE Organisational structure





Contributing to EU policy, research,
regulation and standardisation

UNIFE Committees & Working Groups

The **Presiding Board** is the highest UNIFE Committee and is responsible for the management of the association. It takes any measure or action required to achieve the objectives and general policies of the association. It reviews applications for membership before they are submitted to the General Assembly for ratification. The Presiding Board is composed of 10 members elected by the General Assembly every three years. One seat on the Presiding Board is reserved for the Chairman of the UNIFE SME Committee.

The **Strategy Committee** steers UNIFE activities and advises the Presiding Board on all strategic and political issues. The members of this committee are high-level managers from the most prominent UNIFE Members.

The **Technical Platform** is responsible for dealing with all EU research, regulation and standardisation matters. In addition to sharing knowledge on relevant topics, this committee enables UNIFE Members to have a better understanding of issues relating to research, regulation and standardisation, as well as their background and implications for the rail industry across Europe and beyond. The Technical Platform provides proposals and recommendations to the various UNIFE technical committees and liaises directly with UNISIG regarding research, standardisation and regulation topics related to ERTMS.

The **Freight Committee** gathers companies active in the rail freight business and seeks to strengthen the position of the industry in the

policy framework of the EU. The committee provides its members with information and support on EU funding opportunities for R&I projects, EU policies dedicated to rail freight, as well as opportunities to lobby the EU institutions on rail freight issues and participate in discussions on relevant TSIs/Standards.

The **Infrastructure Committee (UNIRAILINFRA)** brings together suppliers, contractors, and integrators active in the fields of engineering, production, installation, etc., in order to discuss and promote the development of the rail infrastructure and energy sector. The committee provides a platform for consensus-building on infrastructure and energy topics at a pre-competitive stage, with the aim of promoting investment and innovation in the railway infrastructure sector.

The **Research & Innovation Committee** steers UNIFE's technical activities in the field of research, technology and innovation. The committee manages the preparation of Shift2Rail 2 alongside the follow-up of projects and activities in the framework of Shift2Rail, Horizon 2020, and ERRAC. This committee is composed of technical directors from the main UNIFE system integrators and subsystem suppliers.

The **Standards and Regulation Group (SRG)** steers UNIFE's technical activities in the fields of the European regulatory framework (Railway Directives, TSIs, and other relevant regulations) and standardisation. The SRG is composed of technical directors from the main UNIFE system integrators and subsystem suppliers.

The **ERWA Steering Committee** deals with issues related to the use, life cycle cost and standardisation of railway wheels and wheelsets. This committee brings together the CEOs of the European wheels and wheelsets manufacturers and is supported by the ERWA Development Committee and the ERWA Technical Committee.

The **Digitalisation Platform** aims to address the ongoing trends, challenges and changes in rail transport linked to the rapid evolution of digital technologies. The platform brings together UNIFE Members providing digital solutions for smart and intelligent mobility. It closely monitors developments at European level related to the application of digital technologies and solutions in the rail sector and beyond (e.g. rolling stock, infrastructure, signalling).

The **Cyber-Security Working Group** brings together UNIFE Members with expertise in cyber-security, in order to discuss and identify opportunities for cooperation on cyber-security issues in the rail sector, with the aim of ensuring that the European rail supply industry can continue to lead in this area.

The **ETCS Steering Committee (UESC)** is in charge of coordinating UNIFE activities in relation to the European Train Control System (ETCS), which is a vital part of the European Rail Traffic Management System (ERTMS).

The **ERTMS Marketing Group (UEMG)** is in charge of coordinating marketing activities related to ERTMS, in particular deployment data, events, common publications and the ERTMS website.

The **Control Command and Signalling Systems Platform** provides expertise in the field of signalling and telecommunications to UNIFE. It is a platform for building consensus on signalling-related

issues, in order to promote investment and innovation in the railway signalling sector. The committee is composed of representatives of UNIFE Members who are experts in signalling.

The **UNITEL Committee** focuses on the development and implementation of the future interoperable railway communication system (FRMCS/Next Generation), which will eventually replace GSM-R in the framework of ERTMS. UNITEL brings together the major railway telecommunications products suppliers and companies that have significant expertise in relation to the use of ERTMS. The committee members aim to ensure that the communication system for railways fulfils existing and future requirements in relation to signalling, train control and traffic management, and to support European railway research initiatives.

The **National Associations Committee** gathers 14 National Associations representing more than 1,000 large and medium-sized rail supply companies from all over Europe. As Associate Members of UNIFE, they engage in an important exchange, promoting UNIFE positions nationally while bringing national issues to the European level. The committee brings together the Directors of 13 National Associations from 12 different countries.

The **Public Affairs Liaison Group** aims to provide a platform for sharing information and ideas on EU policy dossiers, reflecting on lobbying strategies and identifying potential synergies between the advocacy activities of UNIFE and its Members. The group is composed of relevant experts nominated by UNIFE Members.

The **SME Committee** brings together the small and medium-sized companies that are members of UNIFE. The purpose of this committee is to provide the SMEs of our sector with information on EU policies

and funds intended for SMEs, support them in accessing these funds and facilitate a direct and fruitful dialogue between SMEs in the rail-supply industry and the EU institutions.

The **Trade & International Affairs Committee (TIAC)** is in charge of monitoring EU trade negotiations with important stakes for the European rail industry and coordinating UNIFE's positions in relation to trade. The TIAC is also a platform for exchanging and disseminating information on bilateral cooperation activities undertaken by UNIFE on international markets.

The **Sustainable Transport Committee (STC)** is the platform for sharing knowledge and defining common positions on environmental sustainability as well as climate-related topics. The STC provides UNIFE members with timely information on EU policy changes and develops targeted outreach actions. It also addresses questions related to the environmental performance of products and growing stakeholder demands for more eco-efficient products and service solutions. The STC is supported by several Topical Groups, which investigate specific issues and provide regular reports to the STC.

The **Investment and Project Financing Expert Group** brings together high-level executives responsible for the long-term financing of infrastructure and industrial projects (including PPPs) and in charge of their companies' relationships with multilateral development banks (such as the European Investment Bank and the European Bank for Reconstruction and Development).

The **IRIS Steering Committee** coordinates activities relevant to the promotion and development of IRIS Certification™, the globally recognised method for the assessment of business management systems that is tailored to the specific requirements of the rail sector. The committee brings together senior representatives of System Integrators and Equipment Manufacturers within UNIFE's membership.

The **Communications Committee** contributes to developing and implementing the UNIFE Communication Strategy. It is composed of Communications Directors from UNIFE Members.

UNIFE Technical Working Groups	
Aerodynamics	Life Cycle Assessment (LCA)
Brakes	Locomotives & Passenger Rolling Stock (LOC & PAS)
Cabin	Noise
Chemical Risks	Persons with Reduced Mobility (PRM)
Crash Safety	Railway Dynamics
Cyber Security	Rolling Stock
Diesel	Safety Assurance
Electromagnetic Compatibility (EMC)	Signalling
Energy	Telematic Application for Passengers & Freight (TAP & TAF)
Energy Efficiency	Train Control Management System (TCMS)
Fire Safety (SRT)	Vehicle Authorisation
Infrastructure	Wagon (WAG)

UNIFE Members

Associate Members

Providing valuable services that directly address the needs of Europe's rail supply industry



Benefits of UNIFE Membership

UNIFE is your trade association at the European and international level. With more than 120 Members, UNIFE represents approximately 84% of the European market and 46% of the global market for rail products.

There are four main spheres of activity: advocating for European legislation and policies that are favourable to rail, enabling the technical harmonisation of the European rail system, facilitating important EU-funded rail research projects, and defining global rail certification through IRIS Certification™.

UNIFE provides a powerful platform for companies that recognise the value of international networking and knowledge-sharing. As a Member of UNIFE your company will benefit from the numerous services provided by our association:

#1 Join a Europe-wide rail business network

Through regular high-level events and seminars, UNIFE offers great networking opportunities on a truly European scale. UNIFE events are unique occasions to meet high-level decision makers, new business partners and customers.

→ General Assembly

Every year in June, UNIFE holds its General Assembly in a different Member State. In addition to the statutory meeting, a number of high-level speakers from the host country participate in the side events and roundtables. This event is strictly reserved for UNIFE Members.

→ Annual Reception and European Railway Award Ceremony

At the beginning of every year, UNIFE organises jointly with CER – the Community of European Railway and Infrastructure Companies – their Annual Reception in Brussels. Just prior to this reception, the European Railway Award ceremony is held to recognise the most significant and valuable contributions to the development of the European rail sector. Attended by several hundred guests, the Annual Reception provides a unique opportunity to network with European decision-makers, customers and partners.

→ UNIFE Committees and Working Groups

A large part of UNIFE's networking activities also take place within the UNIFE Committees and Working groups (see pages 18-21 of this brochure for more information). UNIFE members are encouraged to participate in those Committees and Working Groups that they consider to be most relevant for their respective businesses.

#2 Receive information on accessing EU funds and support to participate in EU-funded research projects

UNIFE Membership allows companies to receive relevant information on all EU funds that are available for the rail industry.

UNIFE is also active in the setting-up of EU-funded projects in the field of Research and Innovation (R&I). In fact, UNIFE is recognised by both the EU institutions and the rail sector as a key player in European rail research and brings enormous added value to its Members via the management and coordination of R&I activities at the European level. In addition, UNIFE plays a leading role in the European Rail Research Advisory Council (ERRAC), which contributes to the definition of the EU rail research priorities.

#3 Contribute to standardisation and regulation

Through its standards and regulation activities UNIFE contributes to the shaping of the European regulatory framework. UNIFE is one of the representative bodies at the EU Agency for Railways and therefore has the right to send experts to any of the working groups involved in the drafting of Technical Standards of Interoperability (TSIs).

#4 Access to the most up-to-date information

In addition to the information circulated within all UNIFE Committees and Working Groups, all UNIFE Members regularly receive the [UNIFE Briefing](#). This detailed and comprehensive e-newsletter gives an update on the most important UNIFE activities in terms of lobbying, research and development and communication. UNIFE Members also receive [UNIFE alerts](#), highlighting the most important information on European legislation impacting our Members (Transport, Industry, Trade, Environment, etc.).

#5 Obtain the best analysis of the rail market

UNIFE Members have privileged access to the leading analysis of rail market developments worldwide, the UNIFE World Rail Market Study, which UNIFE Members receive free of charge. Furthermore, UNIFE provides additional analysis on specific aspects of the rail business where significant developments are taking place.

#6 Raise your voice in Brussels

Through its Public Affairs activities, UNIFE helps to create a policy framework favourable to rail transport in Europe. UNIFE monitors, analyses and influences all rail-related legislative processes in the EU from beginning to end. It represents the voice of the European rail supply industry to the European institutions and works closely with other rail associations in Brussels and also at national level.

In the framework of its activities with the European institutions, UNIFE also represents the industry towards the EU Agency for Railways.

The [UNIFE website \(www.unife.org\)](http://www.unife.org) provides detailed information on UNIFE's political, technical and research activities. Here you will find UNIFE's latest news, events, press releases, publications, project launches and activities related to IRIS, ERWA, Shift2Rail and ERTMS.

The [UNIFE Twitter account \(@UNIFE\)](#) provides all the latest news on UNIFE activities and issues affecting the rail industry at the EU and international levels.

Privileged access to information on IRIS Certification™

The IRIS website (www.iris-rail.org) provides details about the IRIS Certification™ system. Through your UNIFE membership, you will obtain privileged access to the latest information on IRIS Certification™ activities and the development of this unique business management system (please see page 15 of this brochure for more information about IRIS Certification™).



More information can be found also on our affiliate websites



The **European Railway Traffic Management System (ERTMS)** aims to replace the different national train control and command systems, creating a seamless European railway system with increased capacity and improved reliability.

www.ertms.net
@ERTMS



IRIS (International Railway Industry Standard) is a globally recognized scheme unique to the rail sector for the assessment and certification of business management systems.

www.iris-rail.org



IRQB (International Rail Quality Board) is a global consortium established in 2018, which aims to foster a global culture of quality across the whole rail sector by promoting the use of the IRIS Certification™ system worldwide.

www.irqb.org



The **European Railway Award** honours outstanding political and technical achievements in the development of economically and environmentally sustainable rail transport.

www.europeanrailwayaward.eu
@EU_RailwayAward



Shift2Rail is an EU initiative that supports collaborative research and innovation (R&I) activities to develop and test new technologies that will increase the capacity and improve the reliability of the European rail system.

www.shift2rail.org
@Shift2Rail_JU



ERRAC (European Rail Research Advisory Council) was set up in 2001 with the aim of creating a single body with the competence and capability to guide rail-related research and innovation (R&I) efforts at European level.

www.errac.org



Rail Forum Europe was created in order to facilitate dialogue between Members of the European Parliament, the European Commission, the Member States and the European rail sector.

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Getting to UNIFE



By Train from the Brussels Airport:

The "Airport City Express" runs 4 times an hour from the airport to Brussels Central and Midi Station.

By Taxi from the Brussels Airport:

A taxi to the UNIFE offices should take about 30 minutes and it will cost about 35-40 Euros.

By Metro + Tram from Central station:

When you arrive at Gare Centrale, take the metro line 1 (direction Stockel) or line 5 (direction Hermann Debroux) for one stop and get off at Parc. Then take tram line 93 (direction Legrand) and get off at Bailli.

By Metro + Tram from Midi Station:

When you arrive at Gare du Midi, take the metro line 2 or line 6 (direction Elisabeth) for three stops and get off at Louise. Take then tram line 93 (direction Legrand) or line 8 (direction Roodebeek) for three stops and get off at Bailli. A second option would be to take tram line 81 (direction Montgomery) all the way from Gare du Midi to Bailli.

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