



UNIFE General Assembly

Brussels | 12-13 June 2024

Preliminary Programme

(upd. 29 April 2024)

Day I: Wednesday | 12 June 2024

- 10:00-10:45** Registration and Welcome Coffee
- 10:45-10:55** **Opening of the event**
Director General, UNIFE
- 10:55-11:25** **A woman's place is in rail!**
Rachely Burgos, Communications Manager, UNIFE
- 11:30-15:30** **One-on-One networking session**
- 11:30-12:45** **Dialogue Forum 1: Navigating a complex sustainability framework for what your company needs to know**
- 11:30-12:45** **Dialogue Forum 2: Quality**
- 12:45-14:15** Lunch
- 14:15-15:30** **Dialogue Forum 3: Boosting the global presence of the European Rail Supply Industry – A renewed EU & international toolbox to succeed**
- 14:15-15:30** **Dialogue Forum 4: Research & Regulation – Shaping the EU Rail System**
- 18:15** Meeting Point for bus transfer to the Gala Dinner just in front of Hotel Marriott Grand Place Brussels
- 19:00-22:20** Gala Dinner at Kasteel van Ruisbroek kindly offered by Voestalpine
- 22:25** Meeting Point for bus transfer to Marriott Grand Place Brussels just in front of Kasteel van Ruisbroek

Addresses in Brussels:

Meetings at Hotel Marriott Grand Place Brussels (12-13 June)
[Rue Auguste Orts, Grand Place 3-7, 1000 Bruxelles](#)

Gala Dinner at Kasteel van Ruisbroek (12 June)
[Karel Gilsonstraat 15, 1601 Sint-Pieters-Leeuw, Bruxelles](#)

Day II: Thursday | 13 June 2024

- 8:00-8:50** Registration and Welcome Coffee
- 9:00-9:15** **Opening of the event**
Director General, UNIFE
Michael Peter, Chair of UNIFE, and CEO Siemens Mobility (confirmed)
- 9:15-9:30** **Keynote speeches**
Georges Gilkinet, Belgian Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Mobility, Presidency of the Council of the EU (confirmed)
- 9:30-10:30** **Major rail developments in Belgium: overview and prospects**
Gerd De Vos, Technical Director, SNCB-NMBS (confirmed)
Marlene Klompenhouwer, Chief Procurement, Production & Supply Chain Officer, Infrabel (confirmed)
Ann Schoubs, Chief Executive Officer, De Lijn (invited)
- 10:30-10:45** **The European Rail Supply Industry priorities for 2024-2029**
Jonathan Nguyen, Head of Public Affairs, UNIFE (confirmed)
- 10:45-10:55** **Keynote speeches**
Magda Kopczynska, Director General, DG MOVE, European Commission (confirmed)
- 11:00-12:30** **On the move to a net-zero EU: How to ensure a perfect match between industrial and climate policies for the European Rail Supply Industry?**
Panellists:
Kerstin Jorna, Director General, DG GROW, European Commission (tbc)
Danny di Perna, Executive Vice President & Chief Operating Officer, Alstom (confirmed)
Augusto Mensi, Member of the UNIFE Presiding Board, CEO Lucchini RS (confirmed)
Moderator: Elizabeth Jordan, Editor, Global Railway Review
- 12:30-13:50** Lunch
- 14:00-15:30** **General Assembly Statutory Meeting**
(Reserved to UNIFE members only)
- 15:30** **Closure of the General Assembly Meeting**