CT4EU Report #2

January - March 2025

Dear Supporters of the Campaign,

Dear Friends of Combined Transport,

The first quarter of 2025 has seen a significant expansion of our supporter base to 16 companies. We bid welcome to <u>Adria Kombi</u>, <u>Agieren</u>, <u>Eco Container Trans</u>, <u>Vegatrans</u>, <u>Drees & Sommer</u>, <u>Top Rail</u>, <u>Rail Flow</u>, <u>Sicom Containers</u>, <u>Ports of Genoa</u>, <u>INFORM</u> and <u>Transa Spedition</u> (*DB Cargo Full Load Solutions*)

As more supporters join the campaign, CT4EU is progressing on extending its outreach to more EU Member States including Austria, France, Germany, Italy, Sweden, Slovenia, and even China. In addition, we held our first National Coordinators' meeting, marking an important milestone as we increase our focus on local policies, events and news coverage.

The study "The Efficiencies of Combined Transport", which will drive the campaign's narrative, was also published and followed by two successful CT4EU webinars:

- 1. Combined Transport Opportunities in the Circular Economy This session provided businesses with information (insights)to prepare for implementation. We highlighted how Combined Transport is well suited for waste transportation due to its mass handling capabilities and safety advantages. This webinar attracted over 100 attendees.
- 2. The Importance of Rail Ferries for the Resilience of Europe's logistics sector—This session addressed infrastructure challenges such as the Great Belt Bridge, which remains the main gateway to Scandinavia and yet restrict Combined Transport business because of past accidents. We also explored military resilience, with the Swedish government expressing interest in strengthening dual-use infrastructure, such as the rail ferry-compatible Port of Trelleborg. Colonel Dobbens from the European External Action Service emphasised the critical need for seamless military mobility across Europe, noting the vital role of rail ferries in connecting Scandinavia to the Continent. This webinar attracted 150 attendees.

In the coming months, we will continue expanding our outreach initiatives and focus on local implementation. Additionally, we will host a webinar on the business advantages of rail ferries for intermodal operators, and deliver our first podcast in the coming months.

Welcome to our new supporters and many thanks to the whole CT₄EU community for making this campaign happen!



Main milestones and Initiatives

Highlight #1



Release of the study "The Efficiencies of Combined Transport" on the labour, infrastructure, safety and environmental/climate efficiencies of door-to-door Combined Transport, and its potential impact on Europe's land transport system: https://www.ct4eu.eu/studies

Highlight #2



Waste transport: The role of intermodal freight in advancing the circular economy. The webinar addressed how intermodal freight can support recycling, waste valorisation, and raw material processing, which are essential for a sustainable industrial future in Europe. Details here

Highlight #3



Stena Line rail ferry: Importance of the infrastructure and policy support. "Rail ferries are an extraordinary means of maritime transport: They do not only allow the direct transports of rail wagons and locomotives, they are best equipped for all high and heavy cargo. Sailing the Rostock-Trelleborg link, our rail ferries add

a vital piece of resilience to the Northern European infrastructure system: By complementing the fixed links between the continent and Scandinavia with two flexible rail ferries, we at Stena Line safeguard the trade, exchange and safety of Northern Europe at all times." *Mikko Juelich*. <u>Details here</u>

SUPPORTER NEWS



Updates from Our Supporters

- Ermewa will be exhibiting at Transport Logistic Munich (June 2-5, booth FM 705/1) with live demonstrations of its innovative palletised goods wagon and an intermodal wagon (90') with two tanks in partnership with Eurotainer and Raffles. The company will also be present at IAF Münster (May 20-22, booth M533) and will participate as a Silver Sponsor at the Intermodal Congress in Poland (June 11-12).
- <u>Agieren</u> showcased its expertise in intermodal transport at <u>LetExpo Verona</u> (11-14 March, Hall 2, Stand C6), helping small and medium-sized transport companies transition to intermodal solutions. It will also be present at <u>Transport Logistic Munich (2-5 June)</u> to further promote seamless and cost-effective intermodal operations across Europe.
- <u>Ports of Genoa</u> was at <u>LetExpoVerona</u>, and <u>FRUIT LOGISTICA</u> between 7 9 February 2025. This
 event is a global trade show for the fresh produce industry, bringing together key players to foster
 innovation and cover the entire value chain.

- <u>Rail-Flow</u> delivered its Rail Offer Management (ROM) system to AMEH Trans, a railway undertaking. The system provided real-time data access, standardised offers, and improved tracking of sales potentials, enhancing both internal operations and customer satisfaction.
- Adria Kombi launched a new intermodal connection, the BudaLink Express on 1 March, linking Koper and Mahart. Bookings are now open, and partners are encouraged to reach out for details on timetables, capacities, and reservations.
- <u>Trafikverket</u> will take part in the Infrastructure and Climate Impact conference at the World Trade Center in Stockholm on 19 March 2025.
- <u>LTE Logistics & Transport</u> took part in the Karlsbourse-Prague Exchange on 19-20 March 2025, in Prague, a top-tier event for logistics professionals to exchange ideas and insights.



Mark Your Calendars

CT₄EU events

- UIRR General Assembly 21 May 2025 in Brussels: CT4EU Supporters will have the opportunity
 to present themselves and to engage with key Combined Transport stakeholders. The event will
 also host prominent EU political figures, providing a valuable platform for collaboration and
 networking.
- Transport Logistic fair 2 to 6 June 2025 in Munich: The Transport Logistic Fair in Munich, the world's largest logistics and transport event, will take place from 2 to 6 June 2025. CT4EU will host a dedicated session on the resilience and competitiveness of intermodal corridors for the intermodal sector on 4 June from 10:30 to 12:00. Details and registration will be available soon.



Sector events

- <u>F&L conference</u> 9-10 April 2025 Wroclaw
- <u>Intermodal Container Terminal Conference</u> 23-24 April 2025 Düsseldorf (DE)
- RDL Black Sea Transport Corridors 29-30 April 2025 Constanta (RO)
- North Container Summit
 19-20 May 2025 Riga (LV)

- National Coordinator event: <u>Hungrail's</u>
 <u>Magyar vasút Konferencia</u>
 18 September 2025 Budapest (HU)
- National Coordinator event Save the date 25 September 2025 Madrid (ES)
 Confederación Española de Transporte de Mercancías (Southern Europe Multimodal Summit)

PAST EVENTS



CT4EU has been actively engaged in several key events and recognised in notable mentions. Below is an overview of our recent activities and contributions:

- 5th European Intermodal Summit Online
 22 January 2025, Brussels, Belgium
- <u>6th Tender Management Konferenz</u> 27 January, Stuttgart (DE)
- CT4EU event Rail Ferry: Importance of the infrastructure and policy support
 24 February 2025, Online
- Waste Transport: The Role of Intermodal Freight in advancing the circular economy
 March 2025, Online
- Europe-Asia Intermodal Logistics Forum 2025: New Silk Way Shaping
 - 5–6 March 2025, Duisburg (DE)
- Transport week
 18-19 March, Gdynia (PL)
- Rolling Stock Summit
 18-19 March Warsaw (PL)

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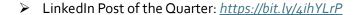
🖳 Kicking Off the National Coordination of the CT4EU Campaign! 🌑

Thank you to everyone who joined yesterday's kick-off meeting of the National Coordinators of the Combined Transport for Europe Campaign - CT4EU! Your engagement is crucial in driving forward the promotion of Combined Transport at national, regional, and European levels.

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CT4EU showcases the **capabilities and capacities of Combined Transport**, bringing it closer to policymakers, customers, and the intermodal transport industry. By aligning our efforts, we can **strengthen the campaign's impact** and support national and regional concerns within the broader European transport policy discussions.

- Our shared priorities:
- Quality performance & capacity
- ✓ Efficiency & competitiveness
- Resilience & sustainability
- ✓ The Clean Industrial Deal





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