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More rail for a stronger European economy

On 9 May, European Heads of State will gather in Sibiu for an informal European Council meeting, hosted by the Romanian Presidency of the EU. Member States will take further steps towards the adoption of the Council Strategy 2019-2024, a document that will outline the priorities of the EU for the upcoming legislature, as well as of the next Multiannual Financial Framework. In this context, the Community of European Railway and Infrastructure Companies (CER) stresses the pivotal importance of the transport sector for the future of the Union, and the need for an ever more sustainable transport system for an ever more sustainable European economy.

CER Executive Director Libor Lochman commented: *"We expect the European Council to recognise the role that railways can play for a better, stronger European economy, as described in the CER Policy Agenda 2019-2024. Rail's sustainability credentials are undisputed, but more can be done to make the most out of the sector's potential."*

The CER Policy Agenda 2019-2024 is available on the CER website.

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About CER

The Community of European Railway and Infrastructure Companies (CER) brings together railway undertakings, their national associations as well as infrastructure managers and vehicle leasing companies. The membership is made up of long-established bodies, new entrants and both private and public enterprises, representing 71% of the rail network length, 76% of the rail freight business and about 92% of rail passenger operations in EU, EFTA and EU accession countries. CER represents the interests of its members towards EU policy makers and transport stakeholders, advocating rail as the backbone of a competitive and sustainable transport system in Europe. For more information, visit www.cer.be or follow @CER_railways on Twitter.