


19th OSCE ECONOMIC AND ENVIRONMENTAL FORUM

Developing Intelligent and Integrated Rail Corridors Between Europe and Asia

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First Demonstration Project

Viking Rail Line



Problem

Based on concerns of the cost, timeliness, and the other risks, shippers have avoided using Viking Line between the Black Sea and Northern Europe.



Program Goals

- Public/private partnerships in Intelligent Transport
 - RFID technology
 - Container GPS technology
 - Inland Route Emission Reporting Standards
- Expedited rail cargo movement
 - Shared electronic customs declarations
 - Developing risk analysis specific to rail corridor



Viking Pilot

So far three governments (Ukraine, Belarus, and Lithuania) have:

- agreed to expedited cargo movement by the Viking rail line;
- developed oversight committee of public and private stakeholders;
- have customs services that are adopting the technology and procedures to handle electronic customs declarations and best-practices in risk analysis to expedite the cargo movement.
- working with private shippers and shipping technology firms to provide the initial e-Seal and GPS tracking devices that will operate over the length of the rail corridor.

The US State Department provide additional seals and readers after initial equipment and procedure trials; Lithuanian Customs advisors serve as e-Seal and e-Customs trainers.



Advisory Team Mission (2012-13)

Developing public-private cooperation in the adoption of the electronic technologies and practices necessary to implement intelligent and integrated train corridors between Europe and Eurasia.



Questions?

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