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# COUNCIL FORMALLY APPROVES OECD GLOBAL MINIMUM CORPORATE TAX

At the end of 2022, the Council formally approved the Directive on a global minimum corporate tax, also known as the OECD BEPS Pillar 2 initiative. The agreement comes after several months of negotiations and multiple attempts to reach unanimity among Member States.

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# 16 MILLION TONNES OF GRAIN SHIPPED FROM UKRAINE THROUGH THE BLACK SEA GRAIN INITIATIVE

In a recent report, the United Nations announced that more than 16 million tonnes of grain and other agricultural products have been shipped from Ukraine through the Black Sea Grain Initiative, since its launch on 1st August 2022.

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MARITIME

## FMC CRACKS DOWN ON UNFAIR D&D FEES

At the end of December, the US Federal Maritime Commission (FMC) ordered the ocean carrier Evergreen to reimburse the D&D fees paid by the US trucking company TCW, as they were considered unlawful. This ruling could open the way for more cases to be brought.

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RAIL

## RENFE: 122 MILLION EUROS TO IMPROVE RAIL FREIGHT IN SPAIN

Spanish national railway company Renfe will invest 122,7 million euros for the improvement of the rail freight transportation system. The funds will be used to acquire new, greener, rolling stock and to implement new technologies on the Spanish fleet.

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RAIL

# EU TRANSPORT INFRASTRUCTURE: SPEEDING-UP INVESTMENT IN MILITARY MOBILITY

At the end of December, the European Commission agreed to speed up the financing of 35 military mobility projects to support the transport of troops and equipment along the trans-European transport network (TEN-T).

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DIGITALISATION

# UN/CEFACT GUIDANCE FOR BETTER TRACKING OF MULTIMODAL TRANSPORT RELEASED

The United Nations' electronic trade facilitation body, CEFACT, has released a 'business requirement specification' (BRS) that provides guidance for an integrated track and trace system for multimodal transport. It aims to shed light on supply chains that many beneficial cargo owners' experience as a "black box".

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GENERAL

# BRITISH INTERNATIONAL FREIGHT ASSOCIATION NAMES NEW DIRECTOR GENERAL

The British International Freight Association (BIFA) has named Stephen Parker as its new Director General to succeed Robert Keen, who will be retiring from full time employment with the trade association in 2023.

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### CLECAT Meetings

<b>BIFA</b>	<b>Award</b>	<b>Ceremony</b>
14 January, London		
<b>ITF Annual Consultation</b>	<b>Day with International</b>	<b>Organisation</b>
23/24 January 2022, Paris		
<b>21st Intermediary</b>	<b>Task Force (ITF)</b>	<b>meeting</b>
15 February, Rotterdam		
<b>Air</b>	<b>Freight</b>	<b>Institute</b>
14 March 2023, Online		
<b>Supply Chain</b>	<b>Security</b>	<b>Institute</b>
14 March 2023, Online		

### EU Meetings

European Parliament		
<b>European Parliament</b>	<b>Parliament</b>	<b>Plenary</b>
16-19 January 2023, Strasbourg		
<b>European Parliament</b>	<b>Environment</b>	<b>Committee</b>
12 January 2023, Brussels		
<b>European Parliament</b>	<b>Transport</b>	<b>Committee</b>
30-31 January 2023, Brussels		
Council of the EU		
<b>Informal meeting of transport ministers</b>		
27-28 February, Stockholm (Sweden)		
<b>Environment</b>		<b>Council</b>
16 March, Brussels		



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