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Media Information

FIATA in New York to ensure the UN plans Sustainable Development Goals with heavy focus on the logistics industry

(New York, January 7th) FIATA was present in New York for the 7th Session Open Working on Sustainable Development. FIATA joined other major stakeholders with the common goal of ensuring that logistics and transport were given focus when drafting SDGs for the post 2015 development agenda.

FIATA utilized the session to promote its view with reference to its recently published position paper: [FIATA's Post 2015 Sustainable Development Goals must include Logistics Connectivity](#). FIATA met delegates who shared common goals and similar view points. We utilized the session as an opportunity to collaborate with other stakeholders on how to achieve SDGs focused on logistics connectivity. One particular stakeholder with similar view points as FIATA, the International Union of Railway, delivered a presentation at a side event which outlined the need for transport as a driver for economic growth.

Additionally, Lewis Fulton, Institute of Transportation Studies, University of California, Davis, described the work of the Partnership on Sustainable Low Carbon Transport (SLoCaT) and its proposal for five major transport targets for 2030. FIATA was interested in Mr. Lewis Fulton's presentation and met with members of major stakeholders who are part of the SLoCaT organisation to expand on their targets and how SDG will help achieve those targets.

FIATA found that delegates were strong to lobby for stand-alone goals on transport and urbanization however some were cautioned about the proliferation of proposals for potential SDGs. One proposal which caught traction included urbanization as part of a poverty alleviation goal and sustainable transport as part of a sustainable energy goal.

FIATA will continue its work with the UN Open Working on Sustainable Development in collaboration with other stakeholders to ensure that logistics connectivity is at centre stage when drafting SDGs.

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About FIATA

FIATA, the International Federation of Freight Forwarders Associations was founded in Vienna, Austria on May 31, 1926. It is a non-governmental organization that today

represents an industry covering approximately 40,000 forwarding and logistics firms, employing around 8-10 million people in some 160 countries. FIATA has consultative status with the Economic and Social Council (ECOSOC) of the United Nations (inter alia ECE, ESCAP, ESCWA), the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development (UNCTAD), and the UN Commission on International Trade Law (UNCITRAL). It is recognized as representing the freight forwarding industry by many other governmental organizations, governmental authorities, private international organizations in the field of transport such as the European Commission (through CLECAT), the International Chamber of Commerce (ICC), the International Air Transport Association (IATA), the International Union of Railways (UIC), the International Road Transport Union (IRU), the World Customs Organization (WCO), the World Trade Organization (WTO), etc.

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