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*The Deputy Chief Executive*

## Invitation

### **3<sup>rd</sup> UIC & UNIFE Environment and Procurement Network Meeting 26 April 2005, Paris**

Dear Madam, Dear Sir,

It is my pleasure to invite you for the third UIC & UNIFE network meeting related to setting environmental requirements in the procurement of railway rolling stock. After already two successful network meetings in Paris in 2003 and in Krefeld last year, we will now be able to present further results especially regarding the PROSPER project. Enclosed you will find a draft programme, registration form and a hotel list. This network is a joint initiative by UNIFE and UIC bringing together all relevant stakeholders – procurement, design, technical and rolling stock experts, environment specialists, and decision makers – to discuss the ongoing industry activities in this field.

The meeting aims at presenting and discussing:

- Latest developments of the UIC project PROSPER ("Procedures for Rolling Stock Procurement with Environmental Requirements"). The project has already elaborated an environmental guideline for the procurement of new rolling stock and is now presenting a draft UIC leaflet co-ordinating environmental requirements among railways and industry. This leaflet should be finally adopted in autumn 2005 by UIC.
- Further activities of the EU funded REPID (Railway Environmental Performance Indicators and Data formats) project that ended last year. The aim is now further dissemination along with the results of PROSPER. The future handling of harmonised environmental requirements will be supported by the new "Rail Eco-procurement Specification Board", which was decided upon last year.

**We kindly ask you to make your registration as soon as possible and  
before the 12<sup>th</sup> of April 2005**

You will be able to find more information about the network and the activities at our joint web-site [www.railway-procurement.org](http://www.railway-procurement.org). I look forward to welcome you at the network meeting.

Yours faithfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'W. Breitling', is written over a light blue horizontal line.

Werner Breitling