



For further information about UIC Membership please contact:

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www.uic.org #UICrail Created in 1922, UIC is the worldwide organisation for the promotion of rail transport at a global level and for collaborative development of the railway system. It brings together 214 members across all 5 continents.

UIC maintains close links with all actors in the rail transport domain, including manufacturers, railway associations and public authorities, as well as with other industrial sectors whose experiences may be beneficial to rail development.

UIC's main missions include understanding the business needs of the rail community, developing innovation programs to identify solutions, as well as preparing and publishing reports, specifications and guidelines that notably facilitate the implementation of innovative railway solutions, particularly in terms of train digitalisation.

In today's world where climate change is a major social and economic concern, UIC's mission has taken on an additional dimension, as a recognised high-level advocator for the benefits from railway within the transport system.

Indeed, railway is the only frugal and low greenhouse gas emitting mode of transport capable of supporting the strong ambitions of environmental sustainability.

UIC notably encourages the allocation of funds to invest in the improvement of multimodality, infrastructure, rolling stock and services, as well as the innovations to decarbonise train operations.

UIC aims to promote a modal shift and therefore dramatically increasing the number of trains and passengers and the volumes of freight.

Benefits of UIC Members

Aside from being supported and having the ability to contribute directly to all of these strategic initiatives to help develop and evolve the train industry, the practical benefits of UIC membership also include:

Access

gaining access to UIC Forums, Platforms and Working Groups (currently 137*, covering all major areas of the railway sector)

Partner

benefiting from existing partnerships (currently 70*) in all domains, such as in standardisation, and with agencies, international organisations, etc.

Contribute

being able to contribute to Working Groups, and directly influence technical specifications, reports, and guidelines regularly produced or updated by UIC

Participate

participating in major and/or dedicated UIC events, such as in World Congresses, Conferences and Seminars (50 a year)*

Express

expressing interests and driving orientations during the elaboration of the work programs for each UIC railway sector

Consult

gaining access to findings, conclusions, reports, technical specifications, and guidelines, etc.

Decide

being a player in the UIC decision-making process at a global level (via the General Assembly) and regional level (via the Regional Assemblies)

*All figures in this paragraph (number of members, working groups, partnerships, events) are valid on 31 January 2023





Active Members

Active members are typically Railway Undertakings (RUs) and/or Railway Infrastructure Managers (IMs) with a significant volume of business. This is the appropriate membership category for railway companies wishing to contribute to UIC projects, to play a role in defining strategic orientations for the organisation, and more generally, to receive all of the benefits from participating in UIC activities.

The Active Member is granted full access to all UIC documents and can be part of all Forums, Platforms and Working Groups. Participation to UIC projects is granted through the Opt-in Process, that defines annually how to contribute and participate.

This category of active Member also have the possibility of nominating candidates to the UIC Executive Bodies, at a global or regional level.

The membership fee and the corresponding voting rights in the General and Regional Assemblies are calculated according to the business profile of the railway company (traffic, network size, etc.) meaning that the annual fee can typically start at 30,000€ and can reach 600,000€ for the largest companies.

Among the long list of Active Members, we are honoured that the following companies have shown such confidence in us:

- The East Japan Railway Company (JR-E, Japan), who chair the Standardisation Platform
- Deutsche Bahn (DB AG, Germany), who are particularly active in all UIC areas and are also committed to the Future Railway Mobile Communication System (FRMCS) Programme
- The Société Nationale des Chemins de Fer (SNCF, France), who are highly active in many UIC projects and represented in a large number of UIC activities, Forums and Platforms
- The Moroccan National Railway Office (ONCF, Morocco), who chair the Africa Region and are hosting the 11th UIC World Congress on High-Speed Rail in 2023
- The Saudi Railway Company (SAR, Saudi Arabia), who chair the Task Force on High Temperatures & Desertic Conditions
- The China State Railway Group (CR, China), who are very committed to all of the Asia Pacific Region's activities













Associate Members

Associate Members are most frequently Railway Undertakings (RUs) and/or Railway Infrastructure Managers (IMs) with a smaller volume of business.

This is the appropriate membership category for railway companies wishing to start to participate and contribute in UIC bodies and projects, and to obtain direct benefits from participating in UIC activities.

The Associate Member is granted full access to all UIC documents and Working Groups and can be part of Executive Bodies subject to the approval of the participating Members.

The membership fee and the corresponding voting rights in the General and Regional Assemblies are fixed. The annual fee is set at 21,730€*.

We are delighted to count the following companies as Associate Members:

- The Tunisian National Railway Company (SNCFT, Tunisia), who hosted the 2nd African Rail Digital Congress in 2022
- VIA Rail (VR, Canada), who chair the Security Human Factors Working Group
- The National Railroad Passenger Corporation (AMTRAK, United States of America), who act as Vice-Chair of the Sustainability Platform
- Euskotren (Spain), who are very active in the Security Platform











^{*}For new members in 2023

Affiliate Members

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Affiliate Membership is reserved for private or public companies or entities, including institutes and associations, that are active in the railway domain.

The Affiliate Member has access to UIC documents at a discounted rate and can be part of the Forums, Platforms and Working Groups, subject to the approval of the participating Members.

The annual fee is set at 10,918 €*.

It is our privilege to count the following as affiliate members:

- Asociación Latino-Americana de Ferrocarriles (ALAF, Latin America), who chair the UIC Latin American Region
- The Federal Railroad Administration (FRA, United States of America), who chair the UIC North American Region and hosted the first US International Level Crossing Awareness Day (ILCAD)
- The Instytut Kolejnictwa (IK, Poland), the China Academy of Railway Sciences (CARS, China), the Australasian Centre for Rail Innovation (ACRI, Australia), who are involved in UIC Research & Innovation activities.











