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CLECAT and FERRMED, good cooperation leads to membership.

FERRMED and CLECAT have become members of each other's associations in a reciprocity move that witnesses their good cooperation.

CLECAT was created in 1958. A non profit international association, it represents the interests of national federations of freight related service providers in logistics, transport and Customs at different levels: multinational, medium and small enterprises make it the most representative structure of its kind in Brussels.

FERRMED is a non-profit association that was officially founded in Brussels on the 5th of August 2004. A multi-sectoral association, it is the result of a private sector initiative aiming at the enhancement of EU competitiveness by promoting the "FERRMED Standards", the improvement of Ports and Airports hinterland connections, the creation of the Great Rail Freight Axis Scandinavia-Rhine-Rhone-Western Mediterranean, with a view to a more sustainable development reducing pollution and climate change emissions.

Dr. Ivan Petrov, Chairman of the CLECAT Rail Logistics Institute observed: "I am very pleased to welcome FERRMED to the CLECAT family: such an important association, which embodies the most important economic and logistic activity of the European Union. I am sure that this collaboration will be fruitful for our both of us and will contribute to the development of the rail freight sector, by enhancing our respective visibility".

Mr. Joan AMORÓS, Secretary General of FERRMED confirmed as follows: "FERRMED is pleased to be associated with CLECAT, which is one of the most important organisations in the freight related Brussels agenda. I am sure FERRMED will have a lot to gain from CLECAT's long established presence in Brussels and I am extremely pleased to hear that CLECAT appreciated our expertise in equal measure, particularly regarding railway freight transportation".

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