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TEN TOOLS TOWARD TOMORROW'S TRANSPORT

- 1 A policy framework that delivers a more efficient and sustainable transport in the future requires that policy makers **remove all legislative, technical and operational barriers** to enable optimisation of transport and supply chains
- 2 **Completion of the EU Internal Market** for all modes of transport requires
 - a. removing the remaining barriers, mainly in road and rail transport, that still put obstacles in the way of the creation of a harmonised and competitive transport market;
 - b. proceeding with further modernisation and harmonisation, especially in the road transport market, of rules governing weights and dimensions consistent with modern technology, urban mobility and other use of infrastructure
 - c. ensuring interoperability and accessibility of the traffic management systems for all modes of transport
- 3 **Timely planning, financing and execution of infrastructure investments** to ensure optimal use of existing infrastructure and sustainable growth and to realise the opportunities for different modal and logistics solutions in time to deliver maximum competitive advantage for the European market
- 4 **A more efficient use of, and optimal interaction between all modes of transport** which is necessary to ensure EU sustainable development and competitiveness in world markets
- 5 **No regulations** that restrict optimal use of existing infrastructure, technological innovation and implementation of best practices, as regards issues such as European Modular System, city access and cabotage
- 6 **No forced modal shift** with measures that artificially distort competition between modes and prevent cooperation and integration of services between them
- 7 **Safety and fair treatment for all users** through the provision of, inter alia, harmonised enforcement rules that are meant to provide legal certainty for all EU operators
- 8 **Coordinated policy of incentives** (rather than subsidies) that allows operators to benefit from reliefs in proportion to improved sustainability they provide and thus create market champions (irrespective of the size of companies in order to also grant the benefits to SME's)
- 9 **Fair and accountable transport price** by leaving pricing to market forces and, above all, –avoiding political interference in pursuit of certain goals and objectives (such as modal shift policies)
- 10 **Listening to stakeholders**, understanding the market and improving quality of impact assessments (and not using impact assessment as a substitute for political responsibility)

***Europe needs transport
Transport needs better policy***