



INCREASING  
supply chain  
EFFICIENCY

WE WISH  
TO CREATE AN  
INTERNATIONAL COUNCIL OF  
STAKEHOLDERS TO I.D. AND  
PRIORITISE KEY INFRASTRUCTURAL  
CHALLENGES & SOLUTIONS



the COUNCIL DECIDES on MOST IMPORTANT  
ACTIONS NEEDED & PROACTIVELY LOBBIES  
to ACHIEVE GOALS

# Meeting the infrastructure needs of the future with increased supply chain efficiency, innovation and investment.

Global investment needs in port and connected infrastructure will grow strongly in the coming years to enable sustained economic growth. How can all stakeholders work together to address this challenge?

## Challenges

The primary challenge for the future of infrastructure is **how to achieve a uniform and cost-efficient global supply chain** with robust legal frameworks and maintain a good relationship between rail, road, waterways, ports and shipping.

There is a need for **clear regulation**, the ability to challenge political inconsistencies and powerful unions, to protect the environment, and maximize the efficiency of the entire supply chain.

The industry must not rely upon governments alone to solve supply chain problems, but must first use the existing infrastructure at both ports and hinterland in the most efficient way.

There is a need for **predictable and sustainable local/international decisions** regarding both port and hinterland infrastructure, and to react to global infrastructure challenges with a common point of view and a single voice.

## Actions

- **Map the issues facing the industry** fully and exhaustively and choose the prioritized first four or five to propose solutions. Examples of those key issues are: overloading of containers, emissions, uniform documentation for import security requirements currently being implemented, actions on board, retention of workforce.
- **Develop an international council** with representatives from all parts of the transportation industry, governmental bodies and NGOs. Here they would receive input on various issues and decide on the most important ones, and lobby globally for these issues to be solved by use of an efficient infrastructure.
- **Research and highlight best practice** on global trade.