



CROSS-BORDER – CONTINGENCY MANAGEMENT

Opportunities

- Cross-border contingency management will contribute to return to normal operations quicker;
- The measures help increasing the competitiveness of freight transport on rail.

Challenges

The contingency plan can only be successful if its rules are correctly put in practice and applied in a consistent manner.

Objective

On 16th May 2018, RailNetEurope (RNE) and the Platform of Rail Infrastructure Managers in Europe (PRIME) approved the “[International Contingency Management Handbook](#)”. It describes rules and procedures in the case of disruption on a rail network which impacts cross-border traffic on Rail Freight Corridors (RFCs). The Handbook is a guideline to standardise procedures. It also clarifies the division and distribution of responsibilities in the case of a contingency.

Involvement of Infrastructure Managers

For Infrastructure Managers (IMs), streamlining rules on contingency management offer an efficient tool to reduce the impact of unforeseen events on the timetable.

EIM in action

- EIM has been closely involved in the preparation of this document;
- EIM and its members understand the importance of a harmonised contingency management to support seamless cross-border rail operations.

HANDBOOK FOR INTERNATIONAL CONTINGENCY MANAGEMENT

