

# #TransformingFreightTransport

## Manifesto for intermodal, low-carbon, efficient and resilient freight transport and logistics

Dear colleagues,

We are excited to announce that the **Manifesto for intermodal, low-carbon, efficient and resilient freight transport and logistics** was launched today at the first **United Nations Global Supply Chain Forum** organised by United Nations Trade and Development and the Government of Barbados from 21 – 24 May 2024.

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**Prioritise systems that efficiently and resiliently combine low-carbon services from the first to the last mile, be that local or intercontinental**

**Transition to zero emission fuels and renewable energy, optimise logistics systems, and create local and circular value chains**

### Why do we need this transformation?

In a world of interconnected challenges, our economies and societies must transform to remain competitive, equitable and resilient, while keeping global warming to 1.5°C. Accelerating the transformation of freight transport and logistics is among the most impactful steps the global community can take to enable overall positive socio-economic transformations by mid-century.

### Freight transport and logistics



Connect goods, markets and consumers, driving socio-economic development. But recent challenges are exposing the increased vulnerabilities of freight systems and their workforce



Can significantly enhance people's quality of life, boost local production, jobs, tax revenue, circularity and resilience to shocks, and reduce energy consumption and emissions



Play a key role in accelerating the transition to a low-carbon economy, green jobs, low-carbon technologies and low-carbon value chains. But the way goods are moved today results in negative climate and sustainability impacts



Resilience is crucial. The negative impacts of transport disruptions on a country's connectivity and development are even greater than the huge financial losses in transport assets

## Critical enablers



**Ambitious, science-based targets, regulations, policies, standards**



**Economics, finance and investments**



**Integrated planning and operations**



**Mandatory, standardised and transparent tracking, reporting and evaluation**



**Data, research, technology, innovation and capacity building**

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### Co-initiators



### Signatories



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