

## Recommendations

### 10 RECOMMENDATIONS FOR ENSURING A SUSTAINABLE AND INTEGRATED EUROPEAN TRANSPORT POLICY FOR THE NEXT DECADE

1. The creation of a more **integrated longer-term strategy for logistics**, based on realistic scenarios for 2020 and recognising that logistics is the backbone of European competitiveness.
2. Closer **coordination between industry and the European Commission** on key strategic decisions enabled by
  - the creation of a high-level EU stakeholders' group for logistics with a broad-based industry representation and
  - the creation of a logistics think-tank in the European Parliament, in which the major issues in logistics can be discussed in depth across party and committee lines.
3. Enhanced **coordination between the services of the Commission** to implement an integrated cross-modal transport policy, taking into account the entire value chain of transport and logistics services, with all actors involved.
4. **Prior and complete impact and risk assessment** based on sound market and industry understanding and reliable data.
5. **Completion of the internal market** for all modes of transport.
6. **Unburdening business from administrative and operational bottlenecks** including customs and security measures.
7. **A more "balanced approach" to reducing the environmental footprint of transport** i.e. gradually introducing technological progress (e.g. cleaner vehicles), operational measures (e.g. eco-driving), infrastructure improvements (e.g. rail freight dedicated framework, intermodal hubs and efficient traffic management systems) and, only if required, economic instruments.
8. **Financial incentives to reduce energy consumption** e.g. investment in fleet renewal, ITS devices, electric, natural gas and hybrid trucks, education and training, consulting services and sustainable real estate solutions.
9. Investment in key European **intermodal corridors** completed by a network of **intermodal platforms**.
10. Securing **global and fair trade**.