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On February 27th 2010, RETRACK, a European research project, launched a weekly rail freight service between Cologne (D) and Györ (HU), carrying automotive products, agribulk and chemicals. Transpetrol, a leading provider of rail logistics services and member of the VTG Group, is the operator of the weekly RETRACK train. Two other RETRACK partners, LTE Logistik und Transport and Central European Railway provide the traction services. An interoperable multipurpose locomotive avoids unnecessary loco changes at the border stations, thus ensuring a seamless and fast service.

The train departs on Wednesday afternoon from Cologne and arrives 21 hours later in Györ. On Friday it returns to Cologne. The business model successfully integrates the specific logistic requirements for transport of cars, grain and chemicals into a service concept. The business model has been developed and will be demonstrated in the frame of RETRACK, a European research project on the demonstration of innovative rail freight concepts. RETRACK is being coordinated by TNO, the Dutch Institute for Applied Scientific Research and co-funded by the European Commission.

Consortium

RETRACK consortium includes the following organisations: Netherlands Organisation for Applied Scientific Research TNO (NL), University of Newcastle upon Tyne (UK), Deltarail (NL), Transportøkonomisk Institutt (NO), TCI Roehling - Transport Consulting International (DE), CER CENTRAL-EUROPEAN RAILWAY Transport, Trading and Service Co. (HU), SOPTIM AG (DE), LTE Logistik -und-Transport GMBH (AT), Transpetrol GmbH (DE), and SC SERVTRANS INVEST SA (RO).

Information for the press

Further information can be found on the RETRACK website www.retrack.eu.

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