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EVENTS

Seamless Transport: Making Connections
2-4 May 2012
Leipzig, Germany
<http://2012.internationaltransportforum.org/>

US-China Clean Truck & Bus Summit
6-8 June 2012
Beijing, PR China
www.chinacleantruck.org

Green Freight Taiwan Seminar
16 Aug 2012
Taipei, Taiwan
<http://cleanairinitiative.org/portal/node/8172>

Low Carbon Earth Summit 2012
19-21 Oct 2012
Guangzhou, PR China
<http://www.bitcongress.com/Greentech2012/>

IN FOCUS:

Green Freight Europe Launched

27 March 2012

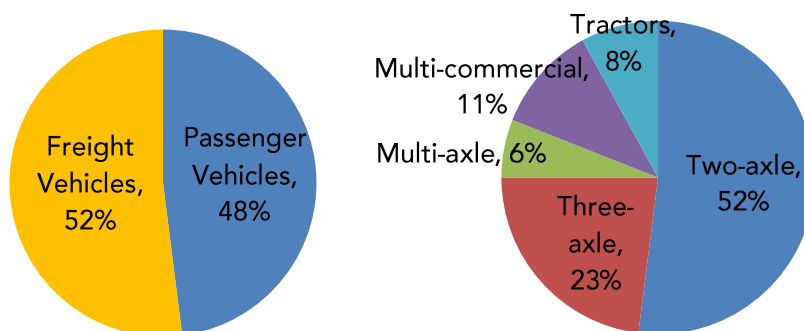
The industry-led initiative formerly known as SmartWay Europe was launched under the new name GREEN FREIGHT EUROPE. Founder members of the group comprise over 30 companies, including multinational shippers, carriers, retailers and associations. The group aims to establish Green Freight Europe as the leading independent voluntary programme for improving environmental performance of road freight transport in Europe. By providing a platform, the programme helps companies to reduce the carbon emissions of their road freight. Shippers are encouraged to compare the environmental performances of different carriers, which will enable logistics managers to measure the carbon footprint of their products. Carriers reap benefits from this since it will attract more and more climate conscious customers. Green Freight Europe is not a stand-alone initiative, but looks to foster cooperation with other related initiatives, programmes and working groups globally.

For more information:

Green Freight Europe: <http://www.greenfreighteurope.eu/>

FREIGHT STATISTICS IN ASIA:

Total Vehicle and Freight Vehicle Composition on National Highways in India



Using data from six corridors which were widened during the National Highways Development Project program in India (2008), it is observed that nearly 52% of vehicles were freight and only 6% of freight vehicles were multi-axle trucks. By changing the mode share to multi axle trucks, goods can be transported more efficiently at lower costs.

Source: <http://www.nhai.org/aboutnhdp.htm>

LATEST NEWS ON GREEN FREIGHT AND LOGISTICS

- AQMD Awards Nearly \$5 Million To Replace Dirty Diesel Trucks Servicing Area Ports**
 11 April 2012
 The South Coast Air Quality Management District has awarded \$4.8 million to replace 163 older heavy-duty diesel trucks operating at the ports and in other goods movement activities across the Southland with new lower-emission models.
 Read more at <http://cleanairinitiative.org/portal/node/8314>
- Survey Invitation: BESTFACT Online-Questionnaire on Strategic Targets and Key Challenges**
 11 April 2012
 The BESTFACT members would like to invite you to take part in a short survey related to strategic targets and challenges in freight transport: <http://survey.bestfact.net>
- Oil Scare Turns FedEx On To Energy Efficiency**
 02 April 2012
 The rising cost of oil isn't just a hit to the family budget. Businesses are hurt, too. Few are more affected than firms like FedEx. It deploys nearly 700 planes and tens of thousands of trucks and vans every day to deliver packages around the world. And few business leaders are more focused on finding alternatives to petroleum-based fuels than FedEx CEO Fred Smith. Shortly after Smith founded Federal Express, the 1973 Arab oil embargo almost killed it. The experience imprinted Smith with a keen interest in the price and availability of oil.
 Read more at <http://www.npr.org/2012/04/02/149703488/oil-scare-turns-fedex-onto-energy-efficiency>
- ITF Statistics Brief March 2012 - Global Freight Volumes Remain Stagnant**
 28 March 2012
 The latest global freight data collected by the International Transport Forum at the OECD through December 2011 continue to indicate macroeconomic stagnation.
 Read more at <http://www.internationaltransportforum.org/statistics/StatBrief/2012-03.pdf>

HIDDEN GEMS:

Urban off-cycle NO_x emissions from Euro IV/V trucks and buses: *Problems and solutions for Europe and developing countries*

A new ICCT report analyzes the causes of high off-cycle NO_x emissions from Euro IV/V heavy vehicles that threaten efforts to improve urban ambient air quality in Europe and in other countries that use the Euro regulation as a pattern, and recommends various measures to address the problem.

The full report available here: <http://www.theicct.org/urban-cycle-nox-emissions-euro-ivv-trucks-and-buses>

FACT OF THE WEEK:

On-Demand Videocast: Operations Rules --Delivering Customer Value Through Flexible Operations

What does it mean to "deliver customer value through flexible operations"?

David Simchi-Levi, professor of engineering systems at MIT, explained his ideas in a free webinar. His research looks at how scientific thinking about everything from channels and pricing to procurement strategy and information technology is key to the flexibility companies need to compete today.

A three-part webinar was arranged by Supply Chain Digest in late 2010 and early 2011 where Simchi-Levi shared information from his book *Operation Rules: Delivering Customer Value through Flexible Operations*.

Watch the webinar here: <http://www.sctvchannel.com/webinars/videocast3.php?cid=3860>
 (Free registration required to access the webinar)

For more information: http://sloanreview.mit.edu/improvisations/2011/01/18/on-demand-webinar-new-rules-for-transforming-supply-chains/#.T4fxpFG_GdY

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