# RAIL FREIGHT MARKET UPDATE

DHL GLOBAL FORWARDING

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## Introducing our speakers...



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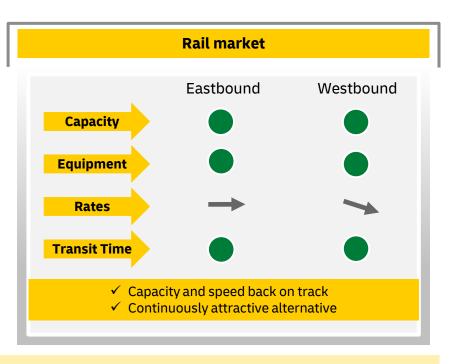
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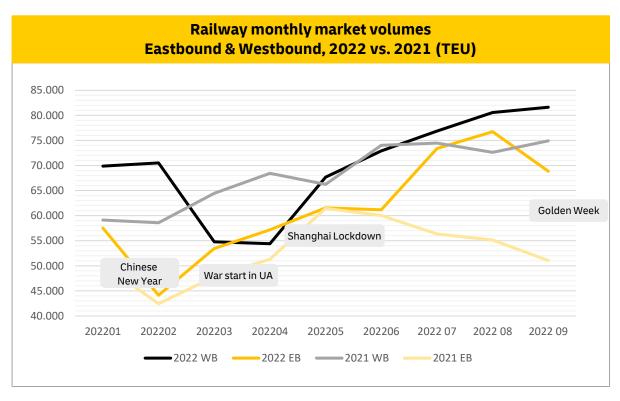
#### Rail connections running stable between Asia and Europe

## **Overview of the current market** Geopolitical challenges Need for sustainability Sudden local lockdowns Economic growth slow down Increasing energy costs Freight cost recovery Port congestions Inflation Remaining volatility and complexity in logistics



#### China Rail is sustainable, fast and secure

# China Rail volumes overall YTD 2022 on 2021 levels with improvement in transit time performance on Northern/Western corridor



Overall International rail freight market growth despite conflict:

- Westbound growth by 3%
- Eastbound growth by 16%
- Middle (aka Trans-Caspian or 2 seas) Corridor to bypass conflict in development

Terminal to Terminal Transit:

Via Russia CN-PL = 14 days

CN-DE = **18 days** 

Via Middle CN-EU = 45-55 days

# China Rail is the fastest service for Intercontinental FCL & LCL shipments





Demand for resilient networks



Steady search for new transport solutions



## Proven, incl. Express Trains

#### **North Corridor**

Other names: Trans-Siberian Main route: CN-RU-BY-PL

#### **West Corridor**

Other names: Trans-Kazakh Main route: CN-KZ-RU-BY-PL

#### Driven by capacity needs (until September) and bypass Russia



#### In development

#### Middle Corridor

Other names: South/ Trans-Caspian/ TMTM Corridor Main route: CN-KZ-Caspian Sea-AZ-GE-Black Sea-Europe



### Customized solutions

#### **South Corridor**

Other names: Sea/Rail Main routes: CN-South European

Ports

#### The "middle corridor" alternative rail routes to bypass conflict zones takes time

#### Potentials, open topics:

- Increasing governmental interest (EU, GE / AZ / KZ ,CN)
- More attractive rates
- Operational challenges fix for better transit time
- Route potential enables better connectivity with new markets
- Eastbound needed to setup stability

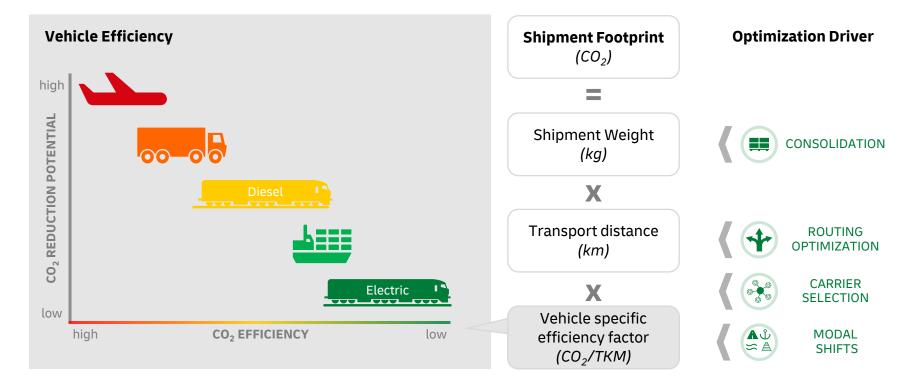


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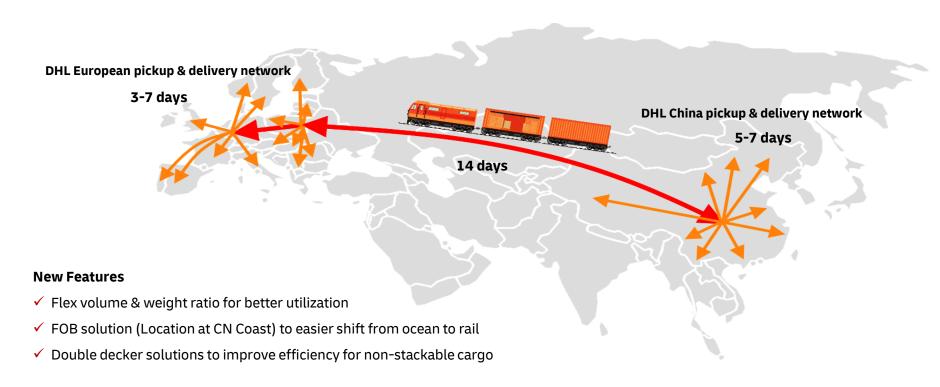
### On the way towards sustainable transportation:

### Rail plays an important role



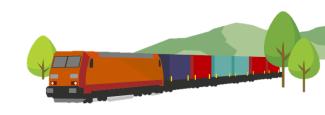
### We connect 2 strong regional DHL networks by rail:

### The fastest LCL delivery times from anywhere in China to anywhere in Europe

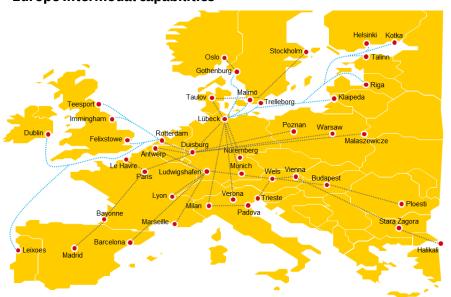


#### Central Asia & Intra-european intermodal networks:

### Green intercontinental end-to-end container logistics



#### **Europe Intermodal capabilities**



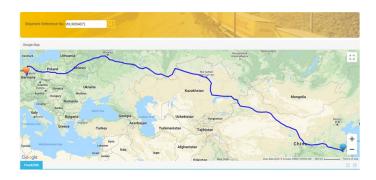
#### China Intermodal capabilities



#### Rail - iSee!

### Real time visibility available to follow the rail shipment

#### **Public Track & Trace**



#### iSee Customer account

Full shipment list displayed, with direct link to tracing Order timeline to display shipment progress



#### Key take aways from today

- Green Rail service between China and Europe is growing further
- 2 Rail is fastest option to move Container loads between CN-EU
- 3 Stability in transit times underpins reliability & speed value
- Pre/on-carriages shortages need planning in advance robust forecasts required and utilizing intermodal networks
- Seamless Rail LCL solutions to support shippers with smaller shipments

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# **Q&A SESSION**

If you have any further questions, contact your usual Account Manager or Customer Service Representative or our Rail Freight Experts



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