



Materials of the Bulletin of the OSJD published in the second half 2021



In this issue, we acquaint readers with the contents of the recently published issues of the Bulletin of the Organization for Co-Operation between Railways (OSJD). They cover a wide range of interaction between railway administrations and companies from member countries of this authoritative international organisation.

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Double issue 4–5, 2021 contains in particular:

- Materials about the activities of the PKP Group (Polish State Railways) in connection with the 20th anniversary of the Company.

- An article by Nikolai Nosenko, Chairman of the OSJD Commission on Transport Law, dedicated to the 70th anniversary of the two most important documents that provide the legal framework for implementation of international railway transportation of passengers and goods between the OSJD member countries on the Eurasian continent: the Agreement on International Passenger Traffic by Rail (SMPS) and the Agreement on International Freight Traffic by Rail (SMGS).

- An article by Igor Leshchinin, Head of the Department of International Relations and Interaction with Federal, Regional Authorities and Public Associations of JSC FPC, entitled «Prospects for restoring international passenger rail traffic in the post-pandemic period».

- An article by the Chairman of the OSJD Commission on Freight Transportation Z. A. Aspayaeva, Professor of PSTU V. L. Belozarov, Professor of RUT (MIIT) P. V. Kurenkov and Senior Lecturer of RUT (MIIT) A. V. Astafiev, Associate Professor of SamSTU V. A. Sadchikova entitled «Infrastructure of Railways in Russia and the OSJD Countries: Problems and Prospects», which provides a brief analysis of implementation of the outlined plans for development of infrastructure in the Russian Federation, and also provides statistics on freight traffic along the OSJD railway transport corridors passing through the territory of Russia; shows the economic importance of ensuring safety of the transportation process.

- An article by Ph.D. (Eng) Alexander Luvishis «Driverless locomotives and trains on the railways of the world and OSJD», which emphasises that «robotisation of rolling stock is

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The full text of the editorial publication in Russian is posted in the first part of the issue.

Полный текст редакционной публикации на русском языке размещён в первой части данного выпуска.

a revolutionary change in railways, comparable to the transition from steam to electric traction, which promotes efficiency, safety and competitiveness of railway transport».

- An information report on the participation of Mirosław Antonowicz, Chairman of the OSJD Committee, in the 30th Anniversary plenary meeting of the CCTT, held in the capital of the Russian Federation, Moscow on September 15–16, 2021, working meetings with the Deputy Minister of Transport of the Russian Federation Vladimir Tokarev, as well as with the management of JSC Russian Railways (RZD), headed by General Director – Chairman of the Board Oleg Belozyorov.

- Information about the meeting of the delegation of the OSJD Committee with the Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the Republic of Korea in the Republic of Poland.

- Information from the specialist of the OSJD Commission on Transport Policy and Development Strategy Diana Yurkovski about the 9th International Interdepartmental Meeting of the OSJD Member Countries «Practice of Crossing Borders by Rail», which, in accordance with the Work Plan of the OSJD Commission on Transport Policy and Development Strategy for 2021 on the topic «Development of measures aimed at facilitating border crossing during international rail transportation in the Eurasian space», was held from 21 to 22 September 2021 in Gdansk.

- An information report on the Meeting of Group I of OSJD Railways on development and final approval of timetables for passenger trains in international traffic for 2021/2022, held in Olomouc (Czech Republic) on August 9–13, 2021.

- An information report on the Meeting of Railway Experts on the topic «Systems for Booking Seats, Reference and Information Services for Passengers, Provision of Services and Development of Financial Reporting», held in accordance with the Work Plan of the OSJD Commission on Passenger Transportation for 2021 from 28 to 30 September 2021 in the OSJD Committee (Warsaw) via videoconference.

- Information from Kunka Kirkova, specialist of the OSJD Permanent Working Group on Financial and Accounting Issues, on the Final Meeting of Representatives of the Parties to the Agreement on the Rules for Accounting in International Passenger and Freight Railway Traffic, held in accordance with the Work Plan of the OSJD Permanent Working Group on

Financial and Accounting Issues (PRGF) from 12 to 15 October 2021 via videoconference.

- Information from Elena Antonevich, specialist of the OSJD Commission on Transport Law, on the 21st meeting of the CIV/SMPS Working Group (CIV – Convention on the International Carriage of Passengers and Luggage by Rail, SMPS – Agreement on International Passenger Traffic by Rail), held from 20 to 21 October 2021 at the headquarters of the CIT (Bern, Switzerland) via videoconference with the participation of representatives of the General Secretariat of the CIT (GS CIT), the General Secretariat of OTIF, ÖBB, JSC PKP Intercity, JSC RZD / JSC FPC and JSC Ukrzaliznytsia, as well as a representative of the OSJD Committee as an observer.

- An information report about the OSJD training seminar on the topic «Application of the CIM/SMGS consignment note», held in accordance with the Work Plan of the OSJD Commission on Freight Transportation on 7–8 July 2021, and which was attended by representatives of the railways of the OSJD member countries: CJSC AZhD, ARA, BC, VZhD, GR, RAI, NC KTZ JSC (KZH), Korail, KRG, CFM, UBZD JSC, Ministry of Infrastructure of the Republic of Poland, PKP Group JSC (PKP Cargo JSC, PKP Informatika JSC, PKP LHS LLC), JSC Russian Railways, TDZh, TRK, UTI, UZ, ChD Cargo; OSJD observers – VR Group, National Society of French Railways – Freight Transportation (SNCF Fret); affiliated enterprises of OSJD – JSC OTFIK ERA, JSC Eurosib SPb Transport Systems, JSC PLASKE; international organisations – WCOMO, EAEC, CIT, CCTT, OLE MA TMTM; invited representatives of JSC TCDD–Transportation, as well as representatives of the OSJD Committee.

- An information report about the Anniversary International Railway Salon 1520 «PRO//Dvizhenie. EXPO» (August 26–29, 2021 on the territory of the experimental railway ring of JSC VNIIZhT, Shcherbinka, Moscow, Russia).

- An information report about the 14th edition of the TRAKO International Railway Exhibition in Gdansk from 21 to 24 September 2021.

- An information report from the Chairman of the OSJD Committee Mirosław Antonowicz and specialist of the OSJD Commission on Infrastructure and Rolling Stock Angelina Shurganova about the «9th Intermodal Transportation Forum» (FRACHT) held in Warsaw from 18 to 19 August 2021.



The issue 6, 2021 contains in particular:

- Information on the annual meeting of the OSJD Commission on Transport Policy and Development Strategy, held on October, 19–22 2021, attended by representatives of the OSJD member countries from: the Republic of Azerbaijan, the Republic of Belarus, the Republic of Bulgaria, Hungary, Georgia, the Republic of Kazakhstan, the People's Republic of China, the Kyrgyz Republic, the Republic of Latvia, the Republic of Lithuania, the Republic of Moldova, Mongolia, the Republic of Poland, the Russian Federation, Romania, the Slovak Republic, the Republic of Uzbekistan, Ukraine, the Czech Republic, the Estonian Republic, as well as the OSJD affiliated enterprise Metrans Group, international organisations – the Eurasian Economic Commission, the International Union of Railways, the International Coordinating Council for Trans-Eurasian Transportation, the International Association «Trans-Caspian International Transport Route» and the OSJD Committee.

- Information report on the joint meeting of the Authorised representatives of the members of the OSJD Ministerial Conference and the Conference of General Directors (responsible representatives) of the OSJD Railways, in which the Authorized representatives of the members of the OSJD Ministerial Conference and/or the Authorized representatives of the members of the Conference of General Directors took part on November 30–December 3, 2021 (responsible representatives) of the OSJD railways.

- An article by the Chairman of the OSJD Commission on Freight Traffic, Zubayda Aspayeva, is dedicated to the results of the work that were noted at the final meeting of the OSJD Commission on Freight Traffic (October 12–15, 2021 in the OSJD Committee (Warsaw) via videoconferencing) and tasks for the upcoming period.

- An information report on the annual meeting of the OSJD Commission on Infrastructure and Rolling Stock (November 8–10, 2021 in the OSJD Committee in the format of a videoconference) with the participation of CJSC AZD, BC, NC ZhI (Bulgaria), CJSC MAV and CJSC MAV-Start, JSC NC KTZh, JSC LTG Infra, ChFM, JSC PKP, JSC Russian Railways, ZhSR, CFR – JSC, JSC Ukrzaliznytsia, JSC ChD, as well as affiliated enterprises OSJD – Southwestern University of Railway Transport (Chengdu, China) and Betamont LLC (Slovakia); international

organisations – OTIF, UIC, as well as the OSJD Committee.

- An article by Sergey Kabenkov, Editor-in-Chief of the OSJD Bulletin magazine, is dedicated to a significant event: more than fifty years ago, in November 1970, the new «Rules for the technical operation of railways of the USSR» were approved in the USSR, according to which the standard of 1520 mm gauge was established throughout the country.

- An information report about the meeting with the delegation of the Republic of Korea in the OSJD Committee held on December 8, 2021. The delegations of the parties were headed by the Chairman of the OSJD Committee Miroslaw Antonowicz and the Minister of Land, Infrastructure and Transport of the Republic of Korea Noh Hyeong Ouk. The delegation of the Republic of Korea also included Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the Republic of Korea to the Republic of Poland Mira Sun, Kim Yong-seok, Deputy Minister for Aviation, Mr. Kwon Hyuk-jin, Advisor to the Minister for Infrastructural Issues, Mr. Choi Jeong-Min, Director of the Overseas Construction Support Department, Mr. Pak Sun-ho, Chairman of the International Construction Association of Korean Association (ICAK), Deputy Director for Overseas Construction Support Division Kwak In Yong and other officials.

- A material is devoted to the 15th International Forum and Exhibition «Transport of Russia». It is noted that these events took place as part of the «Transport Week 2021» in Moscow, which took place from November 13 to 19. The forum was held face-to-face in compliance with all epidemiological safety requirements, and for those delegates who could not come to participate due to epidemiological restrictions, the opportunity to participate in videoconferencing was organised. The forum and exhibition traditionally discussed all the problems of development of the main types of transport in Russia and in the international segment, and the main achievements of the transport industry over the past year were also demonstrated.

- An information report about the 19th International Conference «Transport Services Market: Interaction and Partnership» held in Moscow on December 9, 2021, which is traditionally held by the editors of the RZD-Partner magazine. This time it was held in person, and for delegates who could not come due to restrictions, an online format was also organised. ●