

EXPRESS INFORMATION

NEW ISSUES OF OSJD BULLETIN



The first issue of 2015 contains a brief report on the joint meeting of plenipotentiary representatives of members of OSJD Ministerial Conference and Conference of General Directors (Authorized Representatives) of OSJD Railways, which was held in December in Warsaw.

The agenda of the meeting included issues of cooperation between OSJD and UIC in the field of international railway standards, including technical requirements for broad gauge rail system (1520 mm), as well as discussion of work plans of OSJD working bodies for 2015. For each of the issues decisions and recommendations were drawn, deadlines for planned events were agreed upon.

Zubaida Aspayeva, Chairperson of the OSJD Commission on freight Traffic, introduces performance results of this body.

Shokuh Shoja, a specialist in working with international organizations, reports about prospects of the railways in the Islamic Republic of Iran. She focuses in particular on the completion of the project for construction of Gorgan- Incheburun railway as part of Kazakhstan-Turkmenistan-Iran railway corridor, and development of a passenger railway complex in the country.

The article of A. Luvishis (Russia) is dedicated to self-contained locomotives with improved environmental specifications and lower fuel consumption.

The section «Railway News» provides information on the modernization of roads in Democratic People's Republic of Korea, about 150 anniversary of railway traffic between Russia and Nice, new high-speed lines and multimodal routes in China. The

section «International Conference and Exhibitions» tells about past and upcoming events of the calendar period.

The second issue of this year opens with an article of Ladislav Nemec, Vice-Minister of Transport of the Czech Republic — the country in which capital- Prague, on 20—24 of April, XXX anniversary meeting of the Conference of General Directors (Authorized Representatives) of OSJD Railways was held.

Czech Railways take a significant place in the activities of this international organization, which is quite natural, given their rich history (from the first half of XIX century) and a high share in the transportation process in European and trans-European scale. Features which gives L. Nemets, as well as information in two articles devoted to the development of Czech networks and infrastructure reforms in the country, allow a realistic assessment of the level of intrasystem changes and international cooperation in the context of globalized transport market.

The director of the Scientific Center «Transportation of Dangerous Goods» A. Khristolyubov (Novosibirsk, Russia) writes about the need to harmonize the content of instructions for railways of 1520 mm concerning filling of wagon sheets and preparation of full-scale sheet of the train with the requirements of international regulations on transportation of dangerous goods, to immediately implement relevant defensive actions.

Information sections of the issue contain, in particular, reports on the visit of OSJD delegation to Turkmenistan, completion of construction projects on Latvian Railway, a compilation of news from China.

