in the product design phase and definitions needed for the measurability of environmental requirements were all commented upon and discussed.

In conclusion, this workshop confirmed InfraGuidER's positive contribution in helping enhance the dialogue between IMs and suppliers, facilitating the understanding of the need on both sides integrating a 'value for money' approach and clearer harmonised environmental criteria for procurement. Moreover, the presence of members of the UIC body ERPC (European Railways Purchasing Conference) was an added value for know-how exchange between procurers and technical and environmental managers.

The InfraGuidER coordinated action now enters its final semester and continues its consensus building activity among the European IMs. The next and final event is the Final Conference on 24 November in Brussels where the presentation of Eco-Procurement guidelines will take place.

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Signalling



INESS project (INtegrated European Signalling System) work in progress

The INESS team has successfully submitted a deliverable containing the Interim Activity and Management Report [M13-M18] to the Commission.

The INESS project is a unique opportunity to restructure the railway signalling system with a high gain in cost reduction and performance improvement. It will fill the gap regarding harmonised specifications within the ERTMS environment.

INESS is currently in its 21st month.

Safety

International Level Crossing Awareness Day (ILCAD) campaign to be held on 22nd June

UIC, coordinator of the International Level Crossing Awareness Day (ILCAD) campaign, is happy to announce that this will take place on 22nd June with the participation of some 40 countries.

ILCAD focuses on educational measures and the promotion of safe behaviour at and around level crossings, an area of rail operation that presents one of the significant risk profiles.

The campaign is organised jointly with the European Commission and many stakeholders from the road and rail sectors around the world.



A video clip financed by the European Commission

is available in English and may also be adapted for use in your own language. The clip is freely available for use by all partners of the campaign to upload onto websites. It can also be shown on screens in train stations, on television or in public areas such as cinemas etc. (Please note that outside Europe the use of this in public areas may require a performance rights charge).

A press release in several languages is also available to help you organise your own press conferences locally, nationally, or on an international level.

An international press conference will be held in Brussels at the invitation of the European Commission on the 22nd and involve key stakeholders such as the United Nations.

The official logo in English with the motto "Act safely at level crossings" can also be obtained in different languages by sending a request to the organising office in Paris.

In addition to the video financed by the EC and the press release, all partners around the world will participate in a series of well-coordinated communications initiatives, using varied and local materials to make the public (mainly road users and pedestrians) aware of the dangers of