

Deutsche Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit (GIZ), the Transformative Urban Mobility Initiative (TUMI) and the African Development Bank (AfDB) are happy to announce the

African European Industry Dialogue on Railways at InnoTrans 2026

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Africa's railway sector is entering a period of significant growth, driven by urbanisation, industrial development, and increasing demand for sustainable transport. Deutsche Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit (GIZ) GmbH together with TUMI, Deutsche Bahn E.C.O Group and EU Global Gateway are convening this dialogue with the aim of strengthening collaboration among policymakers, financial institutions, and industry from Africa and Europe and to develop shared perspectives for the development of the railway sector. The dialogue will bring together political, industry and investment perspectives on railway development in Africa and Europe, and explore pathways to building stronger cooperation in the sector.

KEY QUESTIONS

- What is the state of railway development in Africa, and where are the strengths and challenges?
- What are the market trends and project experiences from implementation of railway projects across the continent?
- How can stronger cooperation in the railway sector be built between Africa and Europe?

WHY YOU SHOULD ATTEND

Join leading representatives from African governments, railway authorities, development institutions, and the European rail industry to discuss the future of railway development across Africa. Gain first-hand insights into emerging opportunities, strategic priorities, and railway technologies shaping the sector.

The dialogue offers a unique platform to build partnerships, exchange knowledge, and connect with key decision-makers from one of the world's fastest-growing transport markets. **Please stay updated on the event [here](#) or contact us for further information.**

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