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## Forum Train Europe celebrates 150 Years European Timetable Conference

Since 1872, the international timetable in Europe has been coordinated by the European Timetable Conference. The aim over these 150 years has always remained the same; to promote rail transport, to ensure good international connections and links, and to reduce obstacles in international transport. SBB has been the managing railway since 1922 and Forum Train Europe has existed as an independent association since 1997.

Freight transport by rail must become more efficient and simpler to meet customer and market needs to bring more goods onto the railways. Passenger transport also needs earlier ticket sales and new long-distance connections to achieve the modal shift and climate targets across Europe. Forum Train Europe supports the railways across Europe in achieving these goals and promoting the rail sector. Today, however, was an exception to the daily routine, as the 150th anniversary of the timetable conference was celebrated with a special trip with RAe TEE<sup>II</sup> 1053 from Olten via Yverdon-les-bains, Murten and Bern back to Olten. On board, in addition to the timetable planners, were high-ranking representatives of the member railways who support the goals of FTE

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