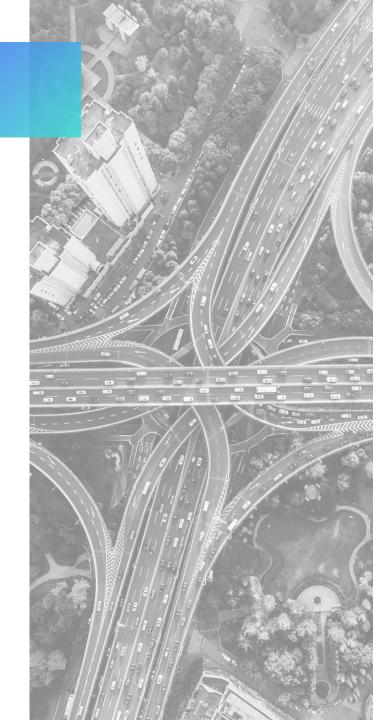


## Mobility 2.0: Connected, Autonomous, Sustainable

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## Introduction

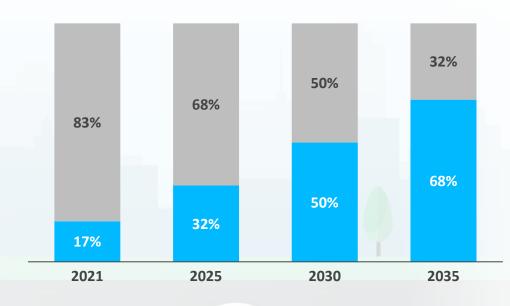
- Mobility is a realm in flux, constantly on the move. The past five years, have seen a complex mix of progress and challenges over the last five years. During
  this time, connectivity, autonomy, and sustainability have emerged as the defining trends that are reshaping the automotive, aviation, maritime, and railway
  industries:
  - Connectivity: digital connectivity has become an integral part of the mobility equation. Vehicles, aircraft, ships, and trains are evolving into data-rich hubs capable of real-time communication with each other and infrastructure. This shift goes beyond providing passengers with entertainment; it's about improving safety and efficiency.
  - Autonomy: Autonomy across the mobility sectors is advancing, albeit with some hesitance in the automotive industry. Semi-autonomous cars are undergoing rigorous testing, whereas autonomous drones and ships are transforming delivery logistics. The prospect of mobility instruments making complex decisions without human intervention carries both benefits such as better efficiency and accessibility and challenges like safety considerations and regulation hurdles
  - Sustainability: Mounting concerns about climate change are pushing the need to decarbonize in the mobility industries. Sustainability practices, whether in aviation's fuel efficiency, automotive's EVs, maritime's eco-friendly shipping solutions, or railway's smart rail systems, are not only essential but also a smart business strategy as consumer demand for eco-friendly options continues to grow
- This report provides an analysis of the latest developments and trends in transportation. It examines the current landscape, assesses its impact, identifies key drivers, and provides future projections for connectivity, autonomy, and sustainability in the automotive, aviation, maritime, and railway industries. Through rigorous research and analysis, this report aims to provide an overview of the opportunities in the transportation sector

## Connectivity



## **Connectivity is transforming the automotive industry. By 2030, connected vehicles are expected to make up half of the global fleet**

- Automotive connectivity has significantly evolved over the past decade. The rise of embedded connectivity is transforming the automotive industry, with most automakers embedding connectivity for critical functions like automated crash notification and remote control
- Connected cars present a shift in the automotive industry from the traditional focus on mechanical components to advanced on-board systems, flexible connectivity, and infotainment to meet the demand for a seamless connected-car experience
- The share of connected cars in the global fleet is expected to grow from an estimated one-fifth in 2023 to about half of the global fleet by 2030
- In terms of new car sales, a forecasted 95% of new vehicles sold worldwide will feature connectivity by 2030, marking a significant increase from the current 50%
- 4G currently holds 90% of the connected car market, but 5G is expected to meet the need for seamless and faster in-vehicle connectivity due to industry trends towards electrification, software-defined vehicles, and autonomy
- The evolution of 5G is also enabling vehicle-to-everything (V2X) technology, allowing direct communication between vehicles, road infrastructure, external networks, devices, and other vehicles



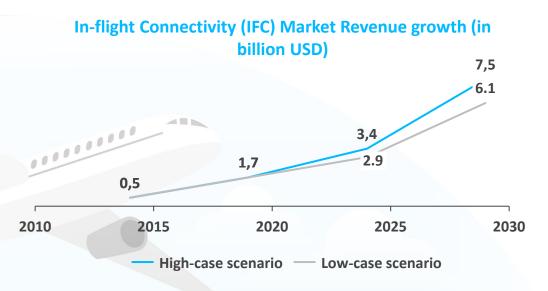
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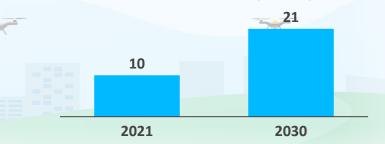


## **Connected aircraft are expected to double by 2030, driven by the emergence of LEO satellites**

- Airborne internet connectivity and communication services, known as inflight connectivity, have gained immense importance recently due to rising passenger demand for fast and dependable connectivity while flying
- In 2021, the number of commercial aircraft connected to in-flight services saw a 10% rise compared to 2020, reaching a total of 9,900
- By 2030, It is projected that this figure will double, surpassing 21,000 aircraft utilizing these services.
- The promising outlook for in-flight connectivity is partly thanks to Low
   Earth Orbit (LEO<sup>1</sup>) satellites, positioned closer to Earth for faster data transmission
- SpaceX's Starlink is already providing high-speed onboard Internet, while OneWeb plans to offer in-Flight Connectivity by 2024, supported by its 648 LEO satellites



### In-flight Connectivity (IFC) Market: number of connected aircrafts (in 000)



1 LEOs are earth-orbiting satellite placed 160 to 1000 km above Earth

Sources: IOP Conference Series "Enabling In-Flight Connectivity with the new Generation of Electronically Steered Antennas" (2023), Press search



## In-flight connectivity using LEOs will enhance user experience, global coverage, and route adaptability

### Key benefits of LEO In-flight Connectivity adoption



Enhanced user experience and passenger loyalty

- Lower latency in LEO-based IFC<sup>1</sup> services could transform in-flight experiences, offering an improved internet user experience and fewer service interruptions compared to traditional options
- This enhanced user experience can significantly enhance passenger loyalty. Airlines that invest in LEO-based IFC are well-positioned to retain and attract customers who prioritize connectivity during their flights

### Global coverage

LEO constellations like OneWeb and Telesat Lightspeed offer unprecedented global coverage, including remote and polar regions where GEO systems fall short. This extended reach opens up new markets and opportunities for airlines to serve passengers worldwide

#### Flexible capacity management

LEO systems, with their flexible beam technology, can adapt to the dynamic demands of congested airport hubs, ensuring that passengers can start streaming and working as soon as they board the plane

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### Sponsorship and partnership potential

LEO IFC providers seek partnerships with entertainment and gaming firms to sponsor services, enabling airlines to provide innovative offerings. Additionally, they collaborate with aircraft companies, like Hughes and OneWeb, for high-speed, low-latency LEO in-flight Wi-Fi

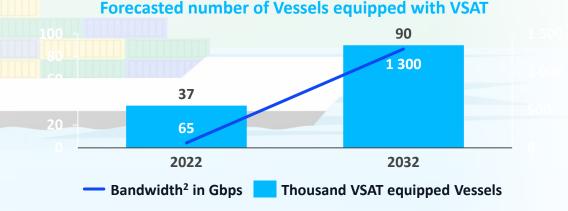
### **Evolving technology**

As advancements in antenna technology, like Electronically Steerable Antennas (ESAs), continue to mature, the feasibility and effectiveness of LEO IFC services will further improve, making them increasingly attractive for airlines

# Maritime connectivity is expected to rise in the upcoming decade to meet the growing demand for more advanced features

- The future of connectivity in the maritime industry is promising, driven by growing demand for data-intensive applications. In fact, y-to-y sea data usage shows growth between June 2021 and June 2022, with container shipping leading the way with a 207% increase
- While business applications are driving the demand for data, the key driver remains crew welfare
- Hence, advanced satellite communications, like VSAT<sup>1</sup>, are poised for further growth in the coming years to meet the rising demand for highspeed sea connectivity
- VSAT-equipped vessels are expected to grow to 90,000 in 2032, indicating a CAGR of approximately 8.65% from 2022
- VSAT's expected impact includes improved operational efficiency, higher crew welfare, and enhanced safety through real-time data access
- Moreover, connectivity equipment and antenna manufacturers are currently focusing on developing new VSAT terminals for LEO constellations and smaller vessels, opening up satellite connectivity to new markets like fishing
- For instance, in 2021, Intellian and KVH introduced V45c and V30 VSAT antenna equipment, providing connectivity access to smaller vessels



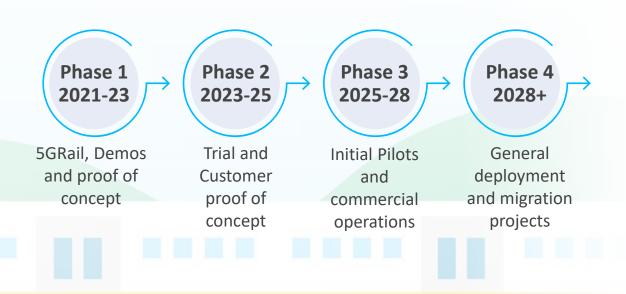


### Data Usage y-to-y growth (2021/2022) by type of ships

1 Very small aperture terminal (VSAT) is a small-sized earth station used in the transmit/receive of data 2 The maximum amount of data transmitted over an internet connection in each period Sources: Asia-Pacific Satellite Communications Council "Maritime Services" (2022), Euroconsult, inmarsat, Intellian

# In rail, the next-generation connectivity system is set to debut by 2030, enhancing rail operational efficiency

- The increasing digitalization of railways is driving the replacement of legacy systems with interconnected digital solutions, requiring highbandwidth communication and cloud infrastructure.
- Currently, the GSM-R<sup>1</sup> technology, with over 230,000 km globally, is used for train-ground data transmission. It offers 2G+ connectivity, which is still suitable for today's data needs. However, it's nearing the end of its lifecycle, facing obsolescence and limited data capacity compared to modern technologies
- Hence, UIC is developing the 5G-enabled FRMCS<sup>2</sup>, a separate network from the public 5G, as the next-generation mobile communication system to replace GSM-R in railway environments by 2030
- In September 2022, Huawei introduced their FRMCS solution during InnoTrans 2022 and announced that it will collaborate with industry standards organizations, customers, and partners to advance its widespread commercial adoption
- Its implementation will enable the integration of IoT, AI and ML elements and sensors, automation of maintenance and safety operations, and improvements in the efficiency of rail operations



FRMCS transition phases and timeline

1 Global System for Mobile Communications-Railway (GSM-R) 2 Future Railway Mobile Communication System (FRMCS)

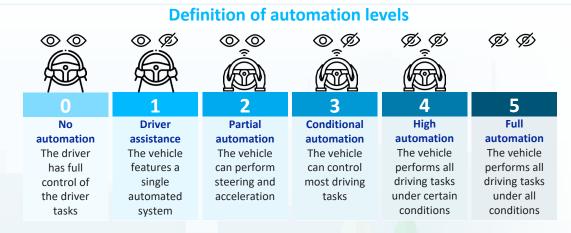
Sources: Unife "Successful Transition to FRMCS" (2021), UIC "The digital railway" (2022), Capgemini "Future railway mobile communication systems" (2023), Huawei, Press Search

## Autonomy

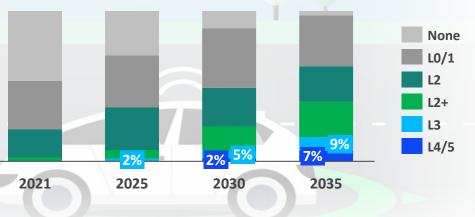


## Advanced autonomous features will be the new norm by 2025, while timelines for self-driving vehicles have shifted

- While there is still widespread agreement that fully autonomous vehicles are set to revolutionize mobility, the timelines for deployment and customer adoption have been pushed back
- Some automakers are shifting their interim focus to partial automation as an easier and cheaper alternative that can be deployed sooner, while others haven't wavered in the pursuit of fully self-driving technology development
- From 2021 to 2025, new car sales for L2 and higher are expected to grow by about 70%. From 2025 to 2030, the share of L2 advanced systems in new car sales will nearly triple, taking a share of the demand for L2 entry-level systems and eventually matching it by 2035
- While Level 3 is expected to represent a share of new car sales by the middle of the decade, the expected timelines for the availability of Levels 4 and 5 vary. Level 4 automation is forecasted to be available to consumers by 2030, while Level 5 timelines are more difficult to predict









### **Autonomous aircraft development has been growing over the past 5** years, attracting major investments

- The development of autonomous aircraft has been growing over the past 5 years, with several new entrants and significant investment in the market
- Several eVTOL<sup>1</sup>, electric short-distance aviation companies, and other next-generation air mobility companies are raising capital through venture rounds such as Beta (USD 886 million raised) and Dronamics (USD 40 million raised) and going public through SPAC deals like Archer Aviation and Lilium Air Mobility
- Several well-established aerospace companies have also announced investments in the market, including Boeing and Airbus
- Autonomous aircraft are being adopted in three key areas: industrial applications leading the way, followed by cargo, and eventually passenger flights
- Currently, autonomy is being introduced in smaller categories of aircraft before expanding to larger aircraft. However, the commercial deployment pace of semi-autonomous or autonomous aircrafts will depend on the governments' regulatory engagement and the public's trust in the technology

	2018-2020	2020-2025	2025-2030	2030-2040	2040+
Passenger	<ul> <li>Technology development</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>PoC</li> <li>Increased regulatory engagement</li> <li>First thoughts around infrastructure planning</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Increasing presence of strategic investment</li> <li>Limited short-range deployment (e.g., airport shuttle)</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Commercial deployment of piloted aircraft, introduction of semi-autonomous flight</li> <li>Public acceptance increasing</li> <li>Development of infrastructure</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Commercial deployment at scale including autonomous applications with a variety of public transportation applications</li> <li>Widespread public acceptance</li> </ul>
Non-passenger	PoC	<ul> <li>Continued PoC</li> <li>VC investment continues to go into market</li> <li>Deployment of VTOL for small payload (&lt;150 kg)</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Strategic investments pick up</li> <li>Deployment of VTOL with growing size</li> </ul>	Sound public acceptance	<ul> <li>Continued high levels of strategic investments</li> <li>Physical, digital infrastructure, and ground network integration sophisticated</li> </ul>

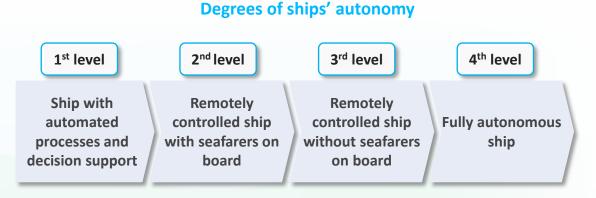
1 Electric vertical take-off and landing (eVTOL)

Sources: AIA and Avascent Report "Autonomous Aircraft and the Transformation in Aviation" (2022), Roland Berger "Advanced Air Mobility: The new flying" (2022), Press Search



## The maritime industry is embracing autonomy, with unmanned vessels already in operation

- The maritime industry's latest innovation is autonomous shipping. The International Maritime Organization (IMO) defines autonomy levels for ships to assess their ability to operate without human intervention, going from ships with automated processes and decision support to fully autonomous
- As of 2021, there are over 1,000 Maritime Autonomous Surface Ships (MASS) operated by more than 53 organizations worldwide, such as Yara Birkeland, Ulstein, and Keppel Offshore & Marine
- Meanwhile, other companies are still developing new autonomous ships and conducting trials such as:
  - MOL's Unmanned Containership Trial: Mitsui O.S.K. Lines (MOL) successfully completed the world's first sea trial of an unmanned containership, demonstrating autonomous navigation capabilities
  - DSTL Trials of the Autonomous Maritime Asset Protection System: Dstl conducted trials using autonomous systems to enhance asset protection against threats
- By 2030, the global autonomous ship market is expected to reach USD 10.74 Billion



### Global autonomous ship market forecasts In billion USD



# Full railway automation is already available, but its integration faces passenger skepticism and infrastructure upgrades

- The journey to autonomous rail transport has been gradual, spanning centuries. Automation began in the 1950s and 60s, with the introduction of partial automation for simple routes
- Today, trains have various degrees of automation, depending on the involvement of a driver
- Trains and metros operating at GoA4 are already a reality (e.g., Rome and Copenhagen Metro), and many governments are working on developing semi-to-autonomous trains, such as Finland's Proxion-led consortium working on a short-distance autonomous freight train for the steel and forestry sectors, set to debut by 2023
- However, the future of autonomous trains is advancing toward widespread market integration, currently hampered by passenger skepticism and the substantial infrastructure upgrades necessitating significant investments
- Autonomous trains can help increase the capacity of existing rail networks by as much as 44%, lead to up to 45% less energy consumption (hence decreasing costs), and provide an enhanced passenger experience

#### Grade of Train Setting train in **Driving and** Door **Operation in event** Automation Operation motion stopping closure of disruption Automatic train GoA 1 protection with Dri ver driver Automatic train protection + GoA 2 operation with driver Driverless train Attendant **Automatic** GoA 3 operation Unattended GoA 4 train operation

### Grades of automation

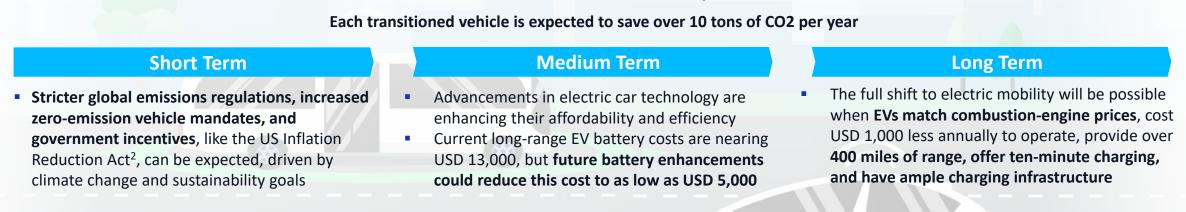
## **Sustainability**



# EV's full transition will require stringent regulation in the short run and technological advancements in the long run

- Electric vehicles (EVs) are expected to be the primary option for sustainability, as they significantly reduce GHG emissions compared to traditional vehicles (52% less for cars and 57% less for trucks over their lifetime) and currently outperform alternative technologies in efficiency and cost savings
- In 2015, even the most optimistic projections foresaw electric vehicles making up a modest 10-20% of new car sales by 2030. However, today, major automakers like Volvo, Mercedes, and Bentley are setting their sights on achieving a complete transition to 100% electric vehicles by 2030, and many other prominent manufacturers are following suit
- The trajectory of this transition remains uncertain. However, a preliminary roadmap can be outlined as follows:

### EV Full Transition roadmap<sup>1</sup>



### 1 Preliminary roadmap crafted by RSM Global, acknowledging the uncertainties related to the evolving incumbents, newcomers, and supply chain; 2 The U.S. Inflation Reduction Act, passed in 2022, allocates over USD 30 billion for tax incentives, and government EV procurement

Sources: RSM Global "Building a Sustainable Future for the Automotive Industry" (2022), Press Search



- Aviation accounts for nearly 3% of worldwide human-generated CO2 emissions, and there's a concern this could rise to 22% by 2050
- Hence, airlines under the International Air Transport Association (IATA) have committed to achieving net-zero emissions by 2050, which involves CO2 offsets in the short term and other key innovations in the medium to long term, such as:
  - Sustainable Aviation Fuels (SAFs): SAFs could cut airline CO2 emissions by approximately 70%, with Virgin Atlantic planning a net-zero transatlantic flight using SAF in 2023. Despite higher costs than kerosene and alternatives like batteries and hydrogen, SAFs are more compatible with existing aircraft
  - Open Fan Architecture Engines: Redesigned engines with open fan architecture increase efficiency by shedding weight and reducing drag. GE Aviation and Safran target a 20%+ emissions reduction in singleaisle aircraft by the mid-2030s
  - New Propulsion Systems: Hybrid electric propulsion and waterenhanced turbofans improve flight efficiency and lower emissions. Airbus and industry leaders collaborate on the SWITCH project to pioneer these innovations

#### Hydrogen Battery SAF Efficiency of fuel production and ~25% ~60% ~15% propulsion system Few 100s km up to Maximum range in 2050 2500 km and up No limitation 1000 km Expected large-scale Around 2035-40 Around 2035-40 <2030 market entry % of cumulative GHG emissions reduction from **8%-22%** 2%-3% 75%-91% renewable fuels (2022-50) % of final energy demand 13%-32% ~2% 65%-85% in 2050 Can be used with Requires new aircraft existing aircraft and designs and storage, Limited to short-haul infrastructure, the longer development flights due to weight primary Challenges time, and may be and size constraints decarbonization limited to short-haul solution for the next flights three decades Worst Best Medium

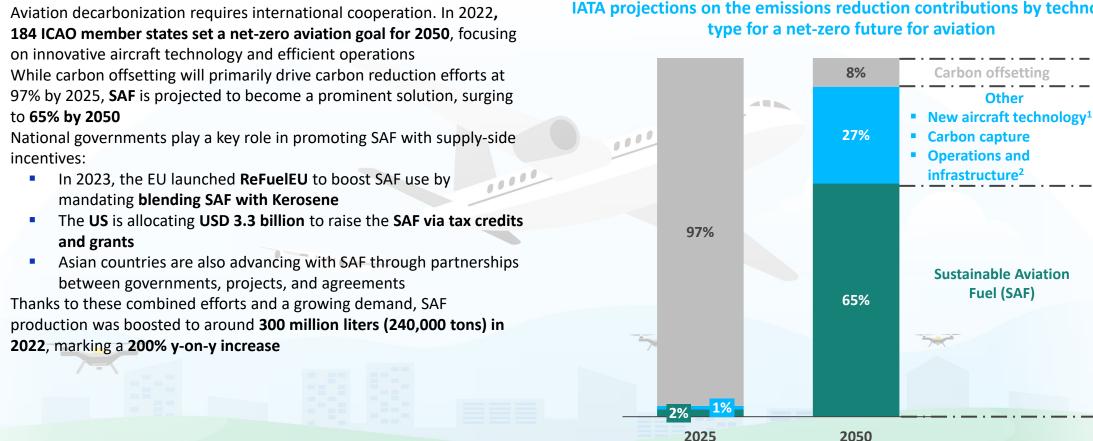
#### Primary options for decarbonizing the aviation sector

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Other

### SAF is anticipated to play a central role in achieving net-zero emissions, potentially reducing 65% of emissions by 2050



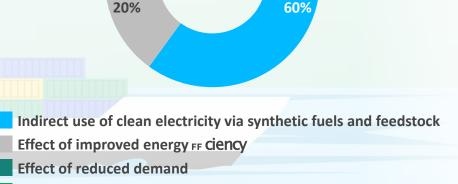
IATA projections on the emissions reduction contributions by technology type for a net-zero future for aviation

1 Innovations in airplane design and systems aimed at reducing emissions and enhancing efficiency; 2 Operations: Strategies and practices for more efficient aircraft usage, including air traffic management improvements / Infrastructure: equipment and infrastructure required to support sustainable aviation such as SAF, hydrogen and electric infrastructure

Sources: UP Partners "The moving world report" (2023), IATA "Net zero 2050: sustainable aviation fuels" (2021), Energy Transitions "Making Net-Zero Aviation Possible" (2022), Press Search

# The maritime industry can achieve net zero by 2050 using powerfuels, advanced biofuels, and efficient vessels

- The demand for decarbonizing the shipping industry is robust, driven mainly by:
  - Regulation Push: Stricter rules from the IMO<sup>1</sup> and governments, such as CII<sup>2</sup>, SEEMP<sup>3</sup>, and the EU's Fit for 55<sup>4</sup>, are driving the shift away from carbon fuels
  - 2. Affordable Green Tech: Lower renewable energy costs make ecofriendly technology and alternative fuels more cost-effective
  - **3.** Competitive Edge: Firms embracing sustainability, tech adoption, and decarbonization gain a competitive edge. Customers prefer responsible, tech-driven solutions, boosting their reputation.
- Hence, the IMO has set regulations to reduce emissions by 40% by 2030 and 70% by 2050 compared to 2008 levels, aiming for accelerated decarbonization in 2023 as part of its carbon neutrality strategy below the 2°C limit
- IRENA suggests that reaching net zero at the 1.5°C limit in 2050 requires four main actions:
  - Indirect electrification using powerfuels
  - Advanced biofuel adoption
  - Enhancing vessel energy efficiency
  - Reducing sectoral demand due to shifts in global trade dynamics



Projected Impact of Key CO2 Reduction Measures in IRENA's 1.5°C

Scenario<sup>2</sup>

3%

17%

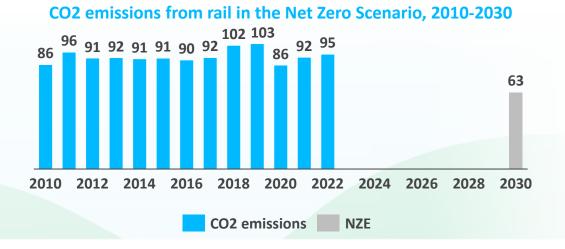
**Employment of advanced biofuels** 

1 International Maritime Organization (IMO) 2: Carbon Intensity Indicator (CII) 3 Ship Energy Efficiency Management Plan (SEEMP) obliging all vessels over 400GT to be developed and regularly updated by shipowners 4: EU's "Fit for 55" package aims to reduce the net GHG emissions by at least 55% by 2030 5: Reaching net zero emissions by 2050 while limit the global temperature rise to 1.5°C Sources: IMO "Revised GHG reduction strategy for global shipping adopted" (2023), IRENA "A pathway to DECARBONISE THE SHIPPING SECTOR By 2050" (2021), Press Search

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# Smart rail systems and electrification are vital for a decarbonized railway by 2050

- Railway systems will be crucial in the pursuit of a decarbonized future by 2050. They are energy-efficient and environmentally friendly due to their design, which minimizes friction between trains and tracks, setting them apart from other forms of motorized transportation
- In 2022, IEA<sup>1</sup> reported that the global average rail greenhouse gas (well to wheel) intensity was 19g CO2 -eq/passenger-km compared to 211g for large cars
- Rail currently relies equally on electricity and diesel for its energy mix. However, projections indicate that electricity will constitute 65% by 2030. Meanwhile, diesel's contribution to freight energy consumption, currently at two-thirds, needs to drop to 40% by 2030.
- The future of mobility in cities relies on the implementation of intelligent rail systems that are **both environmentally and economically sustainable**. These systems need to operate efficiently, reliably, and safely to enhance the quality of life for residents
- Despite their eco-friendliness, there is still room for improvement in making rail-based transport systems even greener



- Rail is the least emissions-intensive mode of passenger transport its expansion will help reduce overall emissions
- To meet the IEA projections, there's a need for railways to increase their share of the transportation sector by more than 40% by 2030. This would primarily involve a transition away from aviation and road transport

### Conclusion

- As we wrap up our journey through the future of mobility, one thing is crystal clear: the road ahead is full of twists and turns. While exciting technologies and eco-friendly ideas have emerged, the mobility industry is also facing a complex journey with various challenges
- This path to the future is tangled with issues like rules and regulations, tricky economics, trust concerns, and the task of revamping our infrastructure. Governments worldwide are working to regulate self-driving vehicles and vessels and promote sustainability while balancing connectivity, innovation, and safety. Financial constraints may hinder progress, particularly in less affluent regions. Trust and public acceptance are crucial, given concerns arising from incidents involving autonomous vehicles. Additionally, upgrading infrastructure to support better connectivity, autonomy, and electrification in vehicles remains a challenging task
- Companies and organizations must strategically expand across diverse markets and segments while optimizing their operational models. Collaboration, investment in research and development, clear communication, sustainability commitment, and infrastructure advocacy are areas where stakeholders should focus their efforts
- In the private sector, collaborative efforts are vital for transformative change, with tech giants leading in research and innovation. In the public sector, government-industry cooperation, particularly with tech leaders, is crucial. Governments should support emerging trends through regulations and incentives, promoting innovation and sustainable mobility solutions, thus benefiting the nation



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