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Transversal competences, autonomy and responsibility

To succeed in his/her job, the transport and logistics operational manager is required to have a range of transversal competences. He/she demonstrates flexibility, reactivity, creativity, rigor, organisation, and respect of regulations and professional ethics especially when he/she charters transport operations. He/she must be always aware of the different rules about working environment and conditions and take into account the Corporate Social Responsibility principles.

The transport and logistics operational manager must be able to work under pressure, to solve problems in a calm manner, to take into account the interests of others while remaining firm and assertive to defend the interests of his/her company. He/she must have strong leadership and relational skills as he/she is in a position of coordinating a team and cooperates with many different internal and external interlocutors. He/she must be able to communicate in English and have a good understanding of intercultural relations. At the same time, he/she shows genuine interest on the new transport and logistic processes using digitalisation.

Transport and logistics operational managers are autonomous in and responsible for their daily work in the framework of the company's objectives and will be held accountable for it. Their level of autonomy will depend on their working experience, the company's size, structure, and activity (transport and logistics or industrial and commercial activity), as well as the diversity and complexity of the activities they have to deal with and the processes they work on; this level of autonomy will ultimately be determined by the manager to whom they report. As operational managers, their autonomy impacts the development of a more sustainable and greener economy though their actions and decisions. They work under a regular validation process of their hierarchical responsible.

Unit n° 1: To implement freight transport operations

Skills	Knowledge
U1S1 – TO EVALUATE THE FEASIBILITY OF TRANSPORT	U1K1 – Transport demand
OPERATIONS	U1K2 – Supply chain management
U1S1.1 – To qualify the enquiry for transport	U1K3 – Transport means and modes including
U1S1.2 – To match the demand with the company's	multimodal options
offer to take a decision	U1K4 – Organisation of a transport company
	U1K5 – Transport service offer
U1S2 – TO ORGANISE AND TO RUN TRANSPORT OPERATIONS	U1K6 – Regulations for the transport of goods
U1S2.1 – To choose one or more modes and means	U1K7 – Regulations relating to social practices,
of transport	health, safety, and the environment
U1S2.2 – To operate and adjust the transport	U1K8 – Regulations for customs for the
network	transport of goods
U1S2.3 – To choose the delivery procedures	U1K9 – Incoterms
U1S2.4 – To clear customs	U1K10 – Loading plan
	U1K11 – Routes, traceability and mapping
U1S3 – To Choose possible sub-contractors	tools
U1S3.1 – To identify the elements to sub-contract	U1K12 – Scheduling and planning methods
for transport	U1K13 – Incidents and unforeseen events
U1S3.2 – To select a sub-contractor	U1K14 – Transport related insurance
	U1K15 – Procedures for incident management
U1S4 – To Monitor transport operations	U1K16 – Key Performance Indicators
U1S4.1 – To ensure traceability to check	U1K17 – Quality monitoring methods
conformance of the transport operation	
U1S4.2 – To implement mitigation measures	
U1S4.3 – To resolve incidents	
U1S5 – TO IMPROVE THE PERFORMANCE OF TRANSPORT	
OPERATIONS	
U1S5.1 – To design quantitative and qualitative	
indicators	
U1S5.2 – To identify areas for improvement	
U1S5.3 – To propose corrective actions to decision-	
makers	

The choices related to the organisation of the transport operations are coherent and relevant.

The running of the transport operations is rigorous and efficient.

The constraints are taken into account.

The indicators are accurate and appropriate.

The solutions for incidents and corrective actions suggested are relevant.

Unit n° 2: To organise and to manage warehouse activities associated with transport

Skills	Knowledge
U2S1 – To design warehouse solutions	U2K1 – Enquiry of logistic services
U2S1.1 – To qualify the demand for warehousing	U2K2 – Logistic services offer
services	U2K3 – Organisation of a company with a
U2S1.2 – To choose the terms and conditions for the	warehouse activity
realisation of the services	U2K4 – Warehousing areas
U2S1.3 – To size the space and resources required	U2K5 – Warehouse flows management
	U2K6 – Scheduling and planning methods
U2S2 – TO COORDINATE WAREHOUSE OPERATIONS	U2K7 – Documentation for the logistic services
U2S2.1 – To plan warehousing activities	U2K8 – Warehouse management system
U2S2.2 – To ensure the traceability to check	U2K9 – Traceability and its tools
conformance of the warehousing services	U2K10 - Stock management
U2S2.3 – To resolve incidents	U2K11 – Regulations relating to social
	practices, health, safety, and the environment
U2S3 – TO IMPROVE THE PERFORMANCE OF WAREHOUSING	U2K12 – Pricing for warehousing services
SERVICES	U2K13 – Procedures for incident management
U2S3.1 – To design quantitative and qualitative	U2K14 – Warehouse optimisation methods
indicators with a view to progress	
U2S3.2 – To propose corrective actions to decision-	
makers	
U2S3.3 – To rationalise the layout of warehouse	
areas and the storage location of products	

The choices related to the design of the warehouse solutions are coherent and relevant.

The coordination of the warehouse operations is rigorous and efficient.

The regulations are respected.

The indicators are accurate and appropriate.

The solutions for corrective actions suggested are relevant.

Unit n° 3: To manage assets and technology taking into account environmental, social and economic challenges

Skills	Knowledge
U3S1 – To ALLOCATE THE RESOURCES TO ACTIVITIES U3S1.1 – To select a set of assets considering various constraints U3S1.2 – To adapt resources or capacity upon implementation U3S2 – To ESTABLISH A SAFETY AND MAINTENANCE PLAN U3S2.1 – To implement sustainable operation procedures U3S2.2 – To plan and anticipate appropriate maintenance routine U3S2.3 – To identify areas of improvement for assets performance	U3K1 – Material resources U3K2 – Environmental, social and economic impact of transport and warehousing activities U3K3 – Regulations linked to assets U3K4 – Maintenance management U3K5 – Fuel consumption monitoring U3K6 – Information systems dedicated to transport and warehousing operations U3K7 – Digitalisation in the sector of transport and logistics U3K8 – Transport Management Systems (TMS) U3K9 – Warehouse Management Systems (WMS) U3K10 – Customer Relationship Management (CRM) U3K11 – Technology monitoring
U3S3 – To TAKE ADVANTAGE OF THE INFORMATION SYSTEM U3S3.1 – To collect and select data required for operations U3S3.2 – To manage IT and communication equipment related to the operations U3S3.3 – To analyse the information system outputs to adjust performance	

The allocation of the resources to the activities is efficient.

The safety and maintenance plan is established and assessable.

The advantages of the information system are used and clients oriented.

The regulations are respected.

Unit n°4: To manage the service relationship

Skills	Knowledge
U4S1 – TO COMMUNICATE WITH PARTNERS AND CLIENTS U4S1.1 – To adapt the communication to the targets using professional practices U4S1.2 – To lead professional meetings	U4K1 – Tools and techniques for oral and written communication U4K2 – Leading meetings U4K3 – Principles of customer service U4K4 – Cost calculations U4K5 – Pricing and pricing structures
U4S2 – To propose a commercial offer U4S2.1 – To price a service U4S2.2 – To conduct negotiations U4S2.3 – To adapt the range of services offered U4S2.4 – To provide personalised advice to the client	U4K6 – General terms and conditions of sale U4K7 – Methods of assessing the customer value U4K8 – Negotiation techniques U4K9 – Prospection methods U4K10 – Business monitoring U4K11 – Market research U4K12 – Oral and written professional communication in English at level B2 of the common
U4S3 – TO MONITOR CONTRACTUAL COMMITMENTS U4S3.1 – To act in a customer-oriented way U4S3.2 – To resolve a dispute	European framework of reference for languages
U4S4 – TO PROSPECT U4S4.1 – To profile potential clients U4S4.2 – To implement a business monitoring	

The communication with partners and clients is adapted.

The commercial offer is adapted to the clients' expectations and to the commercial objectives The contractual commitments are respected.

The prospection choices are relevant.

Unit n° 5: To manage a team

Skills	Knowledge
U5S1 – To map skills requirements U5S1.2 – To design training paths U5S1.3 – To recruit staff U5S2 – To coordinate the team's work U5S2.1 – To organise workflows and facilitate the team's work U5S2.2 – To motivate the team members U5S2.3 – To limit conflicts and suggest solutions U5S2.4 – To enforce the rules of procedure U5S3 – To evaluate the performance of the team u5S3.1 – To assess the individual performance regarding objectives previously assigned U5S3.2 – To propose solutions for efficiency improvement U5S3.3 – To report key information	U5K1 – Labour regulations U5K2 – Human resources management U5K3 – European and national social regulations for the transport industry U5K4 – Health and safety regulations U5K5 – Recruitment procedures U5K6 – Team management U5K7 – Leadership techniques U5K8 – Project management U5K9 – Professional oral and written communication principles U5K10 – Conflict management U5K11 – Staff evaluation methods

The skills needs are identified.

The proposals for continuous training are relevant

The recruitment process is consistent with professional standards

The instruments used for the coordination of the team are adapted and efficient

Conflict management is anticipated.

The instruments used to evaluate the team's performance are relevant

The solutions for efficiency improvement are relevant

The reports are structured, relevant and useful for decision.