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THE RAILWAY FORUM MEDAL PRESENTED TO HARTMUT MEHDORN AND GENNADY FADEEV

The Railway Forum is pleased to announce that it will be presenting The Railway Forum Medal to both Hartmut Mehdorn, Chief Executive, Deutsche Bahn AG, and Gennady Fadeev, Member of the Board, Russian Railways RZD, during their visit to London later this week.

Hartmut Mehdorn has made a significant impact leading Deutsche Bahn through a particularly challenging period in its existence as it works to meet the challenges of a rapidly changing transport environment whilst developing along increasingly commercial lines.

Gennady Fadeev has similarly played a key role in revitalising the nationally and internationally vital network of Russian Railways RZD.

The presentation of the medals by Chris Green, Chairman of The Railway Forum, will take place as part of the German British Forum's 10th Annual Conference to be held in London on 3-4 November.

'We are delighted to present The Railway Forum Medal to both Hartmut Mehdorn and Gennady Fadeev' says Adrian Lyons, Director General, The Railway Forum. 'Both have made individually important contributions not only to their national railways but also to the wider European railway business.'

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Notes to Editors

1. The Railway Forum is an industry-wide body sponsored by the majority of the train operating companies including Eurostar; also Network Rail, all three major rolling stock leasing companies, the Passenger Transport Executives, London Underground, most of the infrastructure maintenance companies and many manufacturing and other businesses serving the UK rail industry. In all we have over 50 members. Our key role is to act as a think tank, information exchange and point of contact for those committed to and interested in our industry.
2. The Railway Forum Medal has been designed by the internationally renowned medallist and sculptor Irene Gunston. More details and pictures of the medal can be found at: www.railwayforum.com.
3. The German British Forum will be holding its 2005 Annual Conference *European Transport, infrastructure and logistics* in London on 3-4 November. More details on this event can be found at: www.gbf.com/events.htm

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