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## **PRESS RELEASE**

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### **“RAILWAYS IN THE FUTURE” CONFERENCE SELLS OUT**

Railfuture's Autumn 2008 National Conference "Railways in the future" is a complete sell-out. The conference, which will be held in London on the 15th of November, aims to bring various industry groups together and address such issues as capacity, sustainability and route protection.

"We're continuing to push on the door that is slowly creaking gently ajar" said conference organiser Mike Crowhurst, in a reference to the government's apparent new-found enthusiasm for rail.

The conference will look at how Britain's railway will grow in the future, with subjects including high speed rail, electrification and re-openings. Guest speakers will include Chris Austin from ATOC and Lib Dem MP Norman Baker.

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