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TO THE GOVERNMENTS OF THE MEMBER STATES OF OTIF WHICH ARE NOT MEMBERS OF THE EUROPEAN UNION

European Union Agency for Railways consultation on:

Digital Rail and Green Freight TSI revision package 2022

The European Union Agency for Railways (ERA) has contacted the OTIF Secretariat to ask for the views of the Member States of OTIF that are not members of the European Union (EU) about draft new EU legal provisions that might be of interest to OTIF.

The consultation by ERA is one step in the procedure leading to the modification of European Union legal acts which are drafted by ERA. It provides stakeholders, and in this case non-EU OTIF Member States as well, with an opportunity to raise concerns and suggest improvements to the draft provisions before they are adopted.

The consultation is in accordance with Article 1 of the Annex to the <u>Administrative Arrangements</u> agreed between the OTIF Secretariat, ERA and the Directorate-General for Mobility and Transport of the European Commission.

This consultation by ERA concerns:

- The Technical Specification for Interoperability (TSI) relating to the energy subsystem (ENE TSI).
- The TSI relating to the infrastructure subsystem (INF TSI),
- The TSI relating to Locomotives and passenger rolling stock (LOC&PAS TSI),
- The TSI relating to Noise (NOI TSI),
- The TSI relating to the aspects relevant to accessibility for persons with disabilities and persons with reduced mobility (PRM TSI),
- The TSI relating to freight wagons (WAG TSI),
- The TSI relating to the operation and traffic management subsystem (OPE TSI),
- The TSI relating to the Control Command and Signalling on-board Subsystem and the Control-Command and Signalling Trackside Subsystem (CCS TSI),
- The Commission Implementing Decision on the European register of authorised types of vehicles (ERATV Decision), and
- The Commission Implementing Regulation on the common specifications of the register of railway infrastructure (RINF Regulation).

At present, there are equivalent COTIF provisions for several TSIs, in the form of Uniform Technical Prescriptions (UTPs). All UTPs are available on OTIF's website under: http://otif.org/en/?page id=194.

The proposal was drafted by ERA with the support of representatives of EU national safety authorities and sector organisations. The documents are published by ERA and are only available in English. All the relevant documents subject to consultation are publicly available here:

https://www.era.europa.eu/library/consultations en#tab-2022

All non-EU OTIF Member States are invited to analyse the proposal and send ERA any comments they might have. Respondents should clearly indicate they are acting in their capacity as an OTIF Member State. ERA should receive comments by:

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ERA kindly requests respondents to use the template provided on the webpage linked above and to send it to the e-mail address provided in the template. I should be grateful if you would also copy your responses to tech@otif.org

Yours faithfully

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