

## DECISION OF THE GOVERNING BOARD

# Adopting the Amended Multi-Annual Action Plan

### N° 7/2017

THE GOVERNING BOARD OF THE SHIFT2RAIL JOINT UNDERTAKING (hereinafter the "S2R JU"),

Having regard to the Statutes annexed to Council Regulation (EU) No 642/2014 of 16 June 2014<sup>1</sup> establishing the Shift2Rail Joint Undertaking (hereinafter "the S2R Statutes"), and in particular Article 2(c) and 8 thereof;

Having regard of the Governing Board Decision No. 4/2015 of 31 March 2015 adopting the Shift2Rail Master Plan;

### Whereas:

- (1) By decision of 27 November 2015 (no. 15/2015) the Governing Board adopted the Multi-Annual Action Plan of the Shift2Rail Joint Undertaking;
- (2) At its 10<sup>th</sup> meeting, on 18 March 2016, the Governing Board reiterated the need for the Multi-Annual Action Plan to be regularly updated in order, in particular, to depart from the current bottom-up, technology-driven approach, and to create a more top-down, vision-based approach, starting with the S2R JU high-level objectives and giving more emphasis to developing system platform demonstration scenarios. At the same meeting the Governing Board authorised the Executive Director to proceed with the revision of the document by consulting, inter alia, the Systems Integration Working Group, the Scientific Committee and the States Representatives Group;
- (3) Following the preparatory work conducted in particular by the dedicated Task Force, within the S2R JU System Integration Working Group, it was concluded, subject to the Governing Board decision, that the Parts 1 and 2 of the current Multi-Annual Action Plan should be replaced by a new Part A, including the S2R JU high-level objectives, while the Part 3 of the current Multi-Annual Action Plan should be replaced by a new Part B, describing the detailed scope of work.
- (4) The ongoing "Invitation to S2R JU Associated Members to submit an answer in view of the realignment of their activities and additional commitment to the S2R Programme" may have an impact on the research and innovation activities in the years to come, the review of Part

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> OJ L 177, 17.06.2014, p.9.

3 of the Multi-Annual Action Plan is planned during the first months of 2018, for adoption by the Governing Board by year end 2018.

(5) The Scientific Committee and the States Representatives Group where consulted on the new Part A during their meetings on 19 June 2017 and 20 September 2017, respectively; in addition the respective Chairpersons participated to some of the meetings of the aforementioned Task Force.

(6) The stakeholders represented in the User Requirement Implementation and Deployment Working Group (UR-ID) were consulted on and they provided their comments by 22 September 2017.

### HAS DECIDED AS FOLLOWS:

#### Article 1

The Governing Board hereby adopts the Amended Multi-Annual Action Plan of the S2R JU, as annexed to this decision, which shall replace the Multi-Annual Plan of the S2R JU adopted by the decision Governing Board No. 15/2015 on 27 November 2015.

### Article 2

The Executive Director shall make this decision publicly available on the S2R JU's website.

#### Article 3

This decision shall enter into force on the day following its adoption.

Done at Brussels, on 27 October 2017

For the Governing Board

Henrik HOLOLEI

The Chairperson

Annex I: Amended Multi-Annual Action Plan of the S2R JU