

DECISION OF THE GOVERNING BOARD

on the Annual Work Plan and budget for 2019

Nº19/2018

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

Having regard to:

- 1) Council Regulation (EU) No 642/2014 of 16 June 2014 establishing the Shift2Rail Joint Undertaking (S2R JU) and in particular Article 8(b), 17 and 19 of the S2R JU Statutes;
- 2) Decision 21/2015 of the S2R JU Governing Board adopting the revised financial rules of the Shift2Rail Joint Undertaking, and in particular Articles 14(1) and 15 thereof;
- 3) the Commission Decision C(2017) 7151 of 27 October 2017 on authorising the use of reimbursement based on a lump sum for the eligible costs of actions under the Horizon 2020 Framework Programme for Research and Innovation (H2020) and under the Research and Training Programme of the European Atomic Energy Community (2014-2018);

Whereas:

- (1) In line with Article 9.5 of Horizon 2020 Rules for Participation and Article 17.1(a) and (b) of S2R JU Statutes, two types of calls for proposals with specific eligibility conditions will be launched: competitive calls for proposals that will restrict the type of beneficiary to S2R JU Members (founding and associated), and their affiliated entities; and open, competitive calls for proposals addressed only to entities that are not Members of the S2R JU (founding or associated), nor constituent entities of Members.
- (2) The Governing Board should adopt the S2R JU's draft Annual Work Plan and the corresponding expenditure estimates, as proposed by the Executive Director after having consulted the Scientific Committee and the States Representatives Group.
- (3) The Governing Board should also adopt the S2R JU's annual budget, as proposed by the Executive Director, including the staff establishment plan.
- (4) The States Representatives Group and the Scientific Committee were consulted in different occasions during the past months on the draft Annual Work Plan and Budget for 2019, more recently during their respective meetings on 19 September 2018 and 20 September 2018;
- (5) All comments received from the S2R JU members and the European Union Agency for Railways have been duly considered by the Executive Director and included, as appropriate, in the latest version of the draft Annual Work Plan and Budget submitted to

the Governing Board on 7th November 2018. Additional comments received from the S2R JU members were presented at the Governing Board at its meeting on 4 December and included in the final version of the Annual Work Plan and Budget for 2019;

(6) The necessary appropriations for the implementation of the Annual Work Plan and Budget for 2019 are provided for in the general budget of the Union for 2019, which has not yet been adopted.

HAS DECIDED AS FOLLOWS:

Article 1

The Annual Work Plan and Budget for 2019 set out in the Annex of this Decision is hereby adopted.

Article 2

The implementation of this Decision is subject to the availability of the appropriations provided for in the draft general budget of the Union for 2019, following the adoption of that budget by the budgetary authority or as provided for in the system of provisional twelfths.

Done at Brussels, on 4 December 2018.

For the Governing Board,

Henrik HOLOLEI

The Chairperson

Annex: Annual Work Plan and Budget for 2019