



DECISION OF THE GOVERNING BOARD

appointing two new members of the Scientific Committee of the Shift2Rail Joint Undertaking from the reserve list established following the call for expression of interest S2R.SC.01.2017

N° 06/2019

THE GOVERNING BOARD OF THE SHIFT2RAIL JOINT UNDERTAKING,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EU) No 642/2014 of 16 June 2014 establishing the Shift2Rail Joint Undertaking¹, in particular Article 13 of the Statutes annexed thereto,

Having regard to the Governing Board Decision N°04/2017 of 7 June 2017 of the Shift2Rail Joint Undertaking (“S2R JU”) on the launch of a procedure for the establishment of a reserve list to fill one position of the Scientific Committee (“SC”) of the S2R JU, and in particular Article 1,

Having regard to the Governing Board Decision N°10/2017 on the selection of a new member of the SC of the S2R JU following the call for expression of interest S2R.SC.01.2017, in particular Article 2,

Having regard to the Decision n° SC 1/2015 adopting the rules of procedure of the SC, as amended by the Executive Director Decision ED-18-14 “Request for Amendment to the Rules of Procedure of the S2R JU” of December 2018, and in particular Article 1

Whereas:

- (1) Following a risk of conflict of interest, two members of the SC resigned in 2018, as they were both participating in projects funded by the S2R JU. This left two vacant seats in the SC.
- (2) Following the Executive Director Decision ED-18-14 “Request for Amendment to the Rules of Procedure of the S2R JU SC”, the Governing Board agreed to the amendment of the Decision n° SC 1/2015 on 4/12/2018 and a consolidated version of the Rules of Procedure of the SC was published on the S2R JU website.
- (3) The rules of procedure of the SC were amended, *inter alia*, to allow SC members to be contracted as individual experts by the S2R JU for the review of S2R JU projects, whilst ensuring their independence, their impartiality and the absence of conflict of interest. Furthermore, the amended Article 6 (5) of the S2R JU rules of procedures put forward a rotational mechanism of one third of the Committee on an annual

¹ OJ L 177, 17.06.2014, p.9

basis to foster independence from the S2R JU governance and open the opportunity for a more inclusive approach for the scientific community,

- (4) According to Article 2 of the Governing Board Decision N°10/2017 on the selection of a new member of the SC of the S2R JU following the call for expression of interest S2R.SC.01.2017, experts of the reserve list can be part of the SC if at any time vacancies arise,
- (5) According to Article 1(5) of the SC Rules of Procedure, when vacancies arise, the Governing Board of the S2R JU shall decide, acting on a proposal from the Executive Director of the S2R JU, on the name of the expert to invite to the Scientific Committee based on the reserve list,
- (6) A written procedure to the SC was launched on 12 April 2019 (Ref. Ares 2019)2576370) in order to fill the two current vacant positions in the SC. The profiles from the reserve list were shared with the SC members under confidentiality restrictions,
- (7) The members of the SC voted by written procedure, taking into consideration the profiles and the complementarity of expertise of the candidates, as well as potential conflict of interests,
- (8) According to Article 9 of the SC Rules of Procedure, following the written procedure, the two profiles proposed by the Executive Director of the S2R JU to the Governing Board are those which received the support of at least two thirds of the SC members,

HAS DECIDED AS FOLLOWS:

Article 1

The following candidates selected from the reserve list are appointed as new members of the SC of the S2R JU:

- **Oliver Michler**
- **Peter Vervest**

Article 2

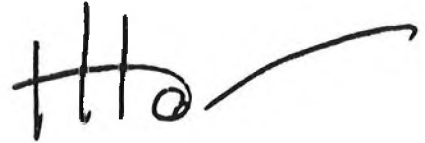
The Executive Director of the S2R JU shall communicate the results of the written procedure to the above-mentioned selected reserve list candidates.

Article 3

This Decision shall enter into force on the day following that of its adoption.

Done at Brussels, on 24 June 2019.

For the Governing Board

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Henrik HOLELEI
The Chairperson