

## DECISION OF THE GOVERNING BOARD

### appointing the Executive Director of the Europe's Rail Joint Undertaking

N°7 /2024

THE GOVERNING BOARD OF THE EUROPE'S RAIL JOINT UNDERTAKING, (hereafter referred as "EU-RAIL")

Having regard to the Council Regulation (EU) No 2021/2085 of 19 November 2021 establishing the EU-RAIL, in particular Articles 17.2. (h) (i) and 19 thereof,

Having regard to the Staff Regulations of Officials ('Staff Regulations') and the Conditions of Employment of Other Servants (the 'CEOS') of the European Union laid down by Council Regulation (EEC, Euratom, ECSC) No 259/68, and in particular Articles 8,9,12,13,14 and 15 of the CEOS,

Having regard EU-RAIL Governing Board Decision n° 4/2023 dated 23 February 2023 on the publication of a vacancy notice for the function of Executive Director of Europe's Rail Joint Undertaking,

Having regard to the EU-RAIL Governing Board Rules of Procedure,

Whereas:

- (1) According to Articles 17(2)(i) and 18 of the Council Regulation (EU) 2021/2085, the Governing Board of the EU-RAIL appoints the Executive Director, based on merit and skills, from the list of candidates proposed by the Commission, following an open and transparent selection procedure, which shall respect the principle of gender balance,
- (2) The vacancy notice<sup>1</sup> was published on 14 April 2023 in the Official Journal,
- (3) During the 10th Governing Board meeting held on 9 April 2024, the Commission proposed to the Governing Board of the EU-RAIL the names of the short-listed candidates to this effect,
- (4) On the basis of all relevant information provided and after the interviews and assessment of the shortlisted candidates during the 11th Extraordinary Governing Board meeting held on 26 April and on 22 May 2024, the Governing Board decided to appoint Mr Giorgio TRAVAINI as the Executive Director of EU-RAIL for an initial mandate of four years in accordance with Article 18 of the Council Regulation (EU) 2021/2085,

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<sup>1</sup> <https://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/PDF/?uri=OJ:C:2023:130A:FULL>

- (5) The successful candidate convinced the Governing Board that he possesses the necessary qualifications and that he presents a suitable mix of the required skills and experience for exercising the function of the Executive Director of EU-RAIL.

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

*Article 1*

1. **Mr Giorgio TRAVAINI** is hereby appointed Executive Director of the EU-RAIL and will be engaged as a temporary agent of the joint undertaking under Article 2, point (a), of the CEOS at grade AD 14.
2. The term of office of the Executive Director is four years, subject to the fulfilment of the requirements of articles 12.2 and 13 of the CEOS. The term of office may be extended once, for a period of not more than three years, in accordance with Article 18(5) of the Council Regulation (EU) 2021/2085.

*Article 2*

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

Done at Brussels, on 22 May 2024.

For the Governing Board



Magda KOPCZYNSKA  
*The Chairperson*