

**DECISION OF THE GOVERNING BOARD**  
**on the amendment n° 2 of the Work Programme 2025-2026**  
**N° 08/2025**

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

Having regard to Council Regulation (EU) No 2021/2085 of 19 November 2021 establishing the Joint Undertakings under Horizon Europe and repealing Regulations (EC) No 219/2007, (EU) No 557/2014, (EU) No 558/2014, (EU) No 559/2014, (EU) No 560/2014, (EU) No 561/2014 and (EU) No 642/2014<sup>1</sup>, in particular points (f), (k), and (n) of Article 17(2) and point (b) of Article 94 thereof,

Having regard to Regulation (EU) No 2021/695 of the European Parliament and of the Council establishing Horizon Europe - the Framework Programme for Research and Innovation, laying down its rules for participation and dissemination<sup>2</sup>,

Having regard to the EU-RAIL Financial Rules adopted by the Governing Board Decision N°11/2019 of 20 December 2019<sup>3</sup> and in particular Article 6(5),

Having regard to the EU-RAIL Work Programme 2025-2026 (hereafter the "WP 25-26") adopted by Governing Board Decision n°17/2024 on 21 November 2024<sup>4</sup> and the Governing Board Decision n°02/2025 on the amendment n°1 to the WP 25-26<sup>5</sup>,

Having regard to the positive scientific advice of the EU-RAIL Scientific Steering Group and to the positive opinion of the EU-RAIL States' Representatives Group expressed at their meetings of 21 and 22 October 2025, respectively.

Whereas:

- 1) The amendment n° 2 of the WP 25-26 includes the amendment of the in-kind contributions to additional activities plans (here and after "IKAA plans") declared by the Private Founding Members of EU-RAIL, in accordance with the obligation imposed on them in Article 11 of the Council Regulation (EU) 2021/2085 and the individual letters of commitment to become a Founding Member of the Joint Undertaking. The provision of the IKAA plans was requested in the conditions of EU-RAIL call for proposals HORIZON-ER-JU-2025-01. Considering the GB Decision N°07/2025 dated 24 June 2025 approving the call ranked list of the innovation action selected for funding under the call for proposals HORIZON-ER-JU-2025-01, the Governing Board should approve the amended IKAA plans 2025 based on proposals by the Private Founding Members awarded with grants. The EU-RAIL States' Representatives Group was duly

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<sup>1</sup>OJ L 427, 30.11.2021, p.17, as amended by Council Regulation (EU) 2023/1782 of 25 July 2023 amending Regulation (EU) 2021/2085 establishing the Joint Undertakings under Horizon Europe, as regards the Chips Joint Undertaking.

<sup>2</sup>OJ L 170, 12.5.2021, p.1

<sup>3</sup><https://rail-research.europa.eu/wp-content/uploads/2020/01/S2R-JU-Financial-Rules.pdf>

<sup>4</sup><https://rail-research.europa.eu/about-europes-rail/europes-rail-reference-documents/europes-rail-annual-work-plan-and-budget/>

<sup>5</sup><https://rail-research.europa.eu/about-europes-rail/europes-rail-reference-documents/europes-rail-annual-work-plan-and-budget/>

informed on the update of the ICAA plans in its last meeting held on 22 October 2025, in accordance with Article 20.12 of the Council Regulation (EU) 2021/2085.

- 2) In the Statement of Revenue, the WP 25-26 must be amended to include EUR 3.345.600 of commitment appropriations and EUR 3.000.000 of payment appropriations stemming from additional contribution agreements signed with the European Commission.
- 3) In the Statement of Expenditure, the WP 25-26 must be amended to transfer EUR 138.000 of commitment appropriations, and EUR 226.221 of payment appropriations between the administrative lines to cover various needs of the Joint Undertaking.
- 4) In addition, the WP 25-26 must be amended to include EUR 3.345.600 of commitment appropriations and EUR 3.000.000 of payment appropriations stemming from additional contribution agreements signed with the European Commission.

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

#### *Article 1*

The amendment n°2 of the EU-RAIL Work Programme 2025-2026 set out in the Annex to this Decision is adopted.

The Annex attached to this Decision replaces the above referred Amendment n°1 to the Work Programme 2025-2026 adopted by EU-RAIL Governing Board Decision n°02/2025 on 24 June 2025.

#### *Article 2*

The Executive Director shall make this decision publicly available on the EU-RAIL's website.

#### *Article 3*

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

Done at Brussels, on 2 December 2025.

For the Governing Board

Magda KOPCZYNSKA  
*The Chairperson*

**Annex:** Amendment n° 2 to the Work Programme 2025-2026 of the Europe's Rail Joint Undertaking