

DECISION OF THE GOVERNING BOARD
Approving the Annex to the High-Level Paper
“A Future Policy-Based Public-Private Partnership for Rail”
N° 10/2025

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 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 642/2014¹, and in particular Article 17(2)(a) and Article 19(4)(u) thereof,

Having regard to the Governing Board Decision n°06/2025 dated 24/06/2025 approving the High-Level Paper “A Future Policy-Based Public-Private Partnership for Rail”².

Having regard to the positive scientific advice of the EU-RAIL Scientific Steering Group (hereafter “the SSG”) and to the positive opinion of the EU-RAIL States’ Representatives Group (hereafter “the SRG”) expressed at their meetings of 21 and 22 October 2025, respectively.

Whereas:

- 1) An initial draft Annex of the High-Level Paper on “A Future Policy-Based Public-Private Partnership for Rail” was distributed to the Governing Board for information purposes only, not for adoption, on 5 February 2025.
- 2) The EU-Rail Members contributed to the Annex to the High-Level Paper through dedicated meetings of the Executive Director-System and Innovation Programme Board (ED-SIPB), including the participation and contribution from the European Union Agency for Railways.
- 3) The Annex is considered as a “living” document that can be further revised in the future.

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

Article 1

The Annex to the High-Level Paper on “A Future Policy-Based Public-Private Partnership for Rail” set out in the Annex to this Decision is adopted.

¹ 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.

² <https://rail-research.europa.eu/about-europes-rail/europes-rail-structure-of-governance/europes-rail-governing-board/>

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: Annex to the High-Level Paper "A Future Policy-Based Public-Private Partnership for Rail"