

DECISION OF THE GOVERNING BOARD

on the amendment of the Work Programme 2023-2024

N° 08/2023

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 (hereafter the "Single Basic Act" or the "SBA")¹, and in particular points (f), (k), and (n) of Article 17(2) and point (b) of Article 94 thereof,

Having regard to Regulation (EU) n° 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 dissemination²,

Whereas:

- (1) By Decision n° 14/2022³ dated 30 November 2022 the EU-Rail Governing Board adopted the Europe's Rail Work Programme 2023-2024 (here after "WP 2023-2024")
- (2) In accordance with the SBA (recitals 10 and 12 and Article 5(2) c), EU-RAIL and SESAR Joint Undertaking will launch a joint call "HORIZON-ER-JU-2023-FA1-SESAR: EU-RAIL – SESAR SYNERGY: INTEGRATED AIR AND RAIL NETWORK BACKBONE FOR A SUSTAINABLE AND ENERGY-EFFICIENT MULTIMODAL TRANSPORT SYSTEM" for a total of EUR 5,000,000 of co-funding and EUR 7.143.000 of total costs at 70% funding rate with an equal contribution between SESAR and EU-RAIL (i.e.: EUR 2,500,000) Therefore the WP 2023-2024 shall be amended to include this joint call.
- (3) Considering that the budget 2023-2024 was established based on the estimates made in October 2022 for the distribution of the resources available for the running costs and operational activities of the EU-Rail, there is a need to adapt the budget to the specific needs to ensure the adequate phase in of the activities. This first amendment to the WP 2023-2024 includes reallocation of administrative budget and budget transfers from Title

¹ OJ L 427, 30.11.2021, p. 17.

² OJ L 170, 12.5.2021, p. 1

³ <https://rail-research.europa.eu/about-europes-rail/europes-rail-structure-of-governance/europes-rail-governing-board/>

1 to Title 2, not considered to be substantial. This amendment also recognises and balance (Revenue and Expenditure) unused appropriations on S2R Programme operational expenditure due in relation to the previous budgetary years, in accordance with EU-Rail Financial Rules Article 6.5.

- (4) In addition, a revision of the procurement procedures to be launched in the next months has been included in the amendment to the WP 2023-2024.
- (5) The consultations on the amendment to the WP 2023-2024 were conducted with the States' Representatives Group and with the Scientific Committee respectively on 7 and 8 June 2023, with a positive outcome.

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

Article 1

The amendment no 1 to the Work Programme 2023-2024 of the Europe's Rail Joint Undertaking set out in the Annex to this decision is adopted.

The Annex attached to this decision replaces the Europe's Rail Work Programme 2023-2024 adopted by the Governing Board Decision n° 14/2022 dated 30 November 2022.

Article 2

The Executive Director *ad interim* shall make the amended Work Programme 2023-2024 publicly available on the EU-Rail's web site.

Article 3

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

Done at Brussels, on 23 June 2023.

For the Governing Board



Maja BAKRAN
The Chairperson

Annex: Work Programme 2023-2024 Amendment n°1 of the Europe's Rail Joint Undertaking