DECISION n° 187

of the Management Board of the European Union Agency for Railways amending AB Decision n° 22/2008 adopting Rules on the reimbursement of expenses incurred by people from outside the ERA invited to attend meetings in an expert capacity and repealing AB Decision 4 dated 9 March 2006

THE MANAGEMENT BOARD OF THE EUROPEAN UNION AGENCY FOR RAILWAYS,

Having regard to the Regulation (EU) 2016/796 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 11 May 2016 on the European Union Agency for Railways¹ (hereinafter referred to as “the Agency”) and repealing Regulation (EC) No. 881/2004 (hereinafter called “the Regulation”), and in particular Articles 5 § 5,

Having regard to AB Decision 22 of 28 October 2008 adopting Rules on the reimbursement of expenses incurred by people from outside the ERA invited to attend meetings in an expert capacity and repealing AB Decision 4 dated 9 March 2006, (hereafter called ‘the AB Decision n°22/2008’);

Whereas:

(1) The Agency is confronted with significant financial constraints in 2019 which do not allow to continue to cover reimbursement of expenses related to the participation of certain categories of experts;

HAS DECIDED AS FOLLOWS:

Article 1

1. Article 1 of the Annex to AB Decision n° 22/2008 is replaced by the following:

“Article 1
These rules shall apply to the following categories of experts:
(a) members of the Agency’s Board(s) of Appeal and other experts as described in Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2018/867 of 13 June 2018 laying down the rules of procedure of the Board(s) of Appeal of the European Union Agency for Railways
(b) members of the Pool of Experts, including for their participation to training sessions organised by the Agency
(c) anyone from outside the Agency, who is a person with reduced mobility and who is attending the working party meetings organised by the Agency, in particular for the PRM TSI, as well as their accompanying persons, wherever the location of the meeting

(d) anyone from outside the Agency, who is a member of academia and who is invited to give a specific professional opinion and is attending the working party meetings organised by the Agency, wherever the location of the meeting.”

2. Articles 2-5 of the Annex to the decision in force remain unchanged.

3. In Article 6 of the Annex to the AB Decision n° 22/2008:
   - point (1) is repealed
   - reference to “government experts” under point (2) is replaced by a general reference to “experts”, as per the scope of application defined in Article 1'

4. Article 7 of the Annex to the AB Decision n° 22/2008 is repealed.

5. Articles 8-10 of the Annex to the AB Decision n° 22/2008 remain unchanged.

Article 2

1. The present decision shall enter into force on the day following that of its adoption.
2. It shall concern reimbursements to be disbursed from the budgetary year 2019.
3. It will be published on the Agency website.

Done at Valenciennes, on 28-11-2018
For the Management Board

The Chairperson
Clio LiÉGEOIS