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DECISION n° 168

of the Management Board of the European Union Agency for Railways adopting the Statement of Estimates 2019

THE MANAGEMENT BOARD OF THE EUROPEAN UNION AGENCY FOR RAILWAYS,

Having regard to Regulation (EU) N° 2016/796 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 11 May 2016 on the European Union Agency for Railways (hereinafter referred to as "the Agency") and repealing Regulation (EC) No 881/2004¹ (hereinafter called "the Regulation"), and in particular articles 52 § 1 and 64 § 5 thereof;

Having regard to the Agency's Financial Regulation adopted on 31 December 2013, and in particular Article 33 thereof;

Having regard to the Commission Communication C(2014) 9641 final on the guidelines for programming document for decentralised agencies and the template for the Consolidated Annual Activity Report for decentralised agencies dated 16.12.2014;

Having regard to its Decision n° 146 adopting the Single Programming Document procedure and the Annual Activity Reporting procedure dated 29.11.2016;

Having regard to the proposal made by Italy not to provide interpretation services during the MB meetings as of 2019 on the grounds that subsequent budget savings could be used for activities related to the 4th RP implementation and facilitate a smooth transition to the new framework especially for the stakeholders,

Whereas:

- (1) The Management Board should produce, on the basis of the draft drawn by the Executive Director, a statement of estimates of revenue and expenditure including an establishment plan for the following year which will be forwarded by the Management Board to the Commission by 31 January 2018;
- (2) The Management Board should endorse the draft programming document by 31 January 2018;
- (3) The Agency should send the draft programming document to the Commission, the European Parliament and the Council no later than 31 January 2018;
- (4) Following a successful vote on Itally's proposal on the reduction of costs related to the provision of interpretation services during MB meetings on 25 January 2018, all references to "interpretation" have been removed from the budgetary comments in Title 3.

¹ OJ L 138 26.5.2016, p. 1-43

HAS DECIDED AS FOLLOWS:

Article 1

The statement of estimates of revenue and expenditure for the financial year 2019, accompanied by an establishment plan, is agreed as set out in Annexes 1 and 2 to this decision.

The draft Single Programming Document 2019 is endorsed as set out in Annex 3 to this decision.

Article 2

The present decision shall enter into force on the day its adoption. It will be published on the Agency website.

Done at Lille, on 25-01-2018 For the Management Board

The Chairperson Clio LIÉGEOIS

Annex 1: ERA Statement of Estimates 2019 Annex 2: Draft Establishment Plan 2019

Annex 3: Draft Single Programming Document 2019