

**PUBLIC DECLARATION OF INTERESTS (PDoI) FOR MEMBERS OF THE ERA
ADMINISTRATIVE BOARD**

Name:

Markus Vaerst

Title/Function:

Managing Director

Company/Organisation:

Railmind GmbH / nominated by: ERFA (European Rail Freight Association)

ERA Administrative Board ~~Member~~ or Alternate¹

I, Markus Vaerst, do hereby declare to the best of my information, knowledge and belief that²:

I and my close family members³ have no interests to declare in relation with my duties and responsibilities within ERA

- I have, but my close family members have no interests to declare in relation with my duties and responsibilities within ERA
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I have recorded the following interests in the field of ERA's activities:

¹ specify if Member or Alternate (strikethrough the irrelevant entry)

² tick as applicable

³ For this purpose 'close family members' are considered to be the persons forming a household with the person making the declaration (spouse, recognized partner, and/or dependent children).

Title/Function (you or your close family members)	Period of activity (within past 5 years)	Company or organisation	Description of the activity (including contracts with ERA, as well as Products, Projects, and/or Activity references as per the ERA Work Programme)
1. Employment with a company or an organisation			
Markus Vaerst: COO	Since 01.2019	Wascosa AG	Wascosa AG is a rail freight wagon leasing company; I am member of the Management Board.
2. Consultancy, legal representation, advice with a company or an organisation			
Markus Vaerst: Owner / Managing Director	10.2013 – 12.2018	Railmind GmbH	Mandates with rail-related associations, i.e. ERFA, UIP, VAP (CH) as technical coordinator and representation of ERFA and UIP in various ERA WP. Mandates with private rail siding undertakings in CH (support to fulfill compliance with national legal and operational requirements).
3. Member of a Managing Board or equivalent structure of a company or an organisation			
Markus Vaerst: Member of the Board of Directors	Since 2002	ERFA (European Rail Freight Association)	
Markus Vaerst: Member of the Management Board	Since 2019	UIP (International Union of Wagon Keepers)	
4. Member of an Advisory Board or equivalent structure of a company or an organisation			
N/A			
5. Other membership or affiliation			
N/A			

Title/Function (you or your close family members)	Period of activity (within past 5 years)	Company or organisation	Description of the activity (including contracts with ERA, as well as Products, Projects, and/or Activity references as per the ERA Work Programme)
6. Research funding from a company or an organisation, including grants, rents, sponsorships, fellowships, non-monetary support			
N/A			
7. Investments in a company or an organisation, including holding of stocks and/or shares, stock options, equity, bonds, partnership interest in the capital of such undertaking, one of its subsidiaries or a company (of a value above 10,000 EUR per company or shares, stocks or comparable amounting to a voting right of 5% or more (notwithstanding their financial value))			
N/A			
8. Other relevant information			
N/A			

Should there be any change to the information provided above, I shall promptly notify the Agency and complete a new Public Declaration of Interests.

I understand that this Public Declaration of Interests will be published on the ERA website and will be entered in a register held by the Agency.

The Agency will handle the information provided above in accordance with Regulation (EC) No 45/2001⁴.

Done at Luzern, on September 13, 2021

Signature



⁴ Regulation (EC) N°45/2001 on the protection of individuals with regard to the processing of personal data by the Community institutions and bodies and on the free movement of such data

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