

Moving Europe towards a sustainable and
safe railway system without frontiers.

DECISION n° 328

of the Management Board of the European Union Agency for Railways amending the Single Programming Document 2023 (amendment n°2).

THE MANAGEMENT BOARD OF THE EUROPEAN UNION AGENCY FOR RAILWAYS,

Having regard to Regulation (EU) N° 2016/796 of the European Parliament and the Council of 11 May 2016 on the European Union Agency for Railways (hereinafter referred to as "the Agency") and repealing Regulation (EC) No 881/2004 (hereinafter called "the Regulation"), and in particular Article 51§1 (b) and 52§4 thereof,

Having regard to Decision n° 310 of the Management Board adopting the Single Programming Document 2023 and to any subsequent amendments adopted,

Having regard to Decision n°206 of the Management Board adopting the new ERA Financial Regulation,

Having regard to Decision n°317 of the Management Board on delegating powers to the Executive Director to adopt non-substantial amendments to the Single Programming Document and repealing Decision n°289,

HAS DECIDED AS FOLLOWS:

Article 1

The text in the Annex to the MB decision 310 of the Management Board adopting the Single Programming Document 2023 is amended with the substantial changes listed in the Annex to this decision.

Article 2

This decision shall enter into force on the day following that of its adoption. It will be published on the Agency's website.

For the Management Board

Clio LIÉGEOIS
The Chairwoman

Annex: SPD 2023 substantial amendments#2

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1. *substantial amendments of the SPD 2023 procurement plan*

1.1. External Service Provision - ERA Information Systems Development 7 (ESP-EISD 7)

Description	Market ceiling
External Service Provision - ERA Information Systems Development 7 (ESP-EISD 7)	5 000 000€

This activity involves the open procurement procedure to identify suitable external providers of services related to the development of information systems, the provision of related support and the elaboration of studies in the field of information systems. Those services are to be delivered in an extra-muros model and will be implemented as specific contracts bound to the Framework Contract that will result from this procurement call. The FWC aims to include provisions to allow Fixed Price, Time and Means and Quoted Time and Means options for the Specific Contracts. The procurement exercise plans to award the contract to several providers in a 'cascade' model. The FWC is expected to be concluded for a period of 1 year, with 3 automatic renewals. The work will support the activities across all the Agency units. It includes support for registers, OSS, ISS and RSU activities. The amount indicates the market ceiling of such FWC, while the actual consumption will depend on the budget availability as approved in the Agency's SPDs and budgets.

1.2. FWC for event management

Description	Market ceiling
launch a tender for a FWC to contract services for events organised by the Agency over 4 years (mid-2024/mid-2028).	2.000.000€ for the whole period of 4 years

Rationale:

- The FWC “SCIC/C1/2018/FWC/02 Event management services” supporting the current C&D plan adopted by the ERA MB on 29.03.2023 (Decision n° 320 - Comms and dissemination plan 2023 (europa.eu)) is ending on 23 July 2023. Specific contracts implementing it can be valid up to 9 months after the FWC expiration date.
- On 1st June 2023, SCIC notified ERA procurement that it was about to launch a new FWC call, but the new SCIC FWC will only cover events organised by the European Commission and the Executive Agencies. Therefore, ERA would not be in the position to use the new SCIC FWC.
- Currently there is no other FWC for event management which can be used by ERA. Therefore, the Agency must launch a call for tender to establish its own FWC for event management.
- As this call will require several months preparation, it will be possible to use the new ERA FWC for event management from mid-2024 onwards.
- To cover the ERA events from mid-2024 onwards, the tender must be launched still in 2023, and to do so, the Procurement Plan must be preliminary amended.
- The budgetary envelope to cover the ERA major events of the next 4 years, starting mid-2024, is estimated at 2 million EUR.
- Pending the new ERA FWC, to manage major ERA events occurring in the period between the end of the current SCIC FWC and the start of the new ERA FWC (mid-2024), direct contracts either with an event organising company or with individual suppliers need to be organised.

1.3. Deletion of the Conference on Energy Efficiency

Conference Energy Efficiency	Details included in the Communication and Dissemination Plan.	Q1	25,000.00 €	Direct contract
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This conference eventually was not organised and will not be rescheduled.

updated and consolidated procurement plan for 2023 (following the changes described above)

Title	Description	Date	Market ceiling	Type of Contract
Conference on European Year of Skills	Event putting the skills gap in Railways and Women in Transport in the focus	Q1	25,000.00 €	Direct contract
InnoTrans sqm and AUMA fees	Innotrans is the leading international trade fair for transport technology and takes place every 2 years in Berlin. ERA participates as an exhibitor in 2024. Sqm must be booked one year before the event.	Q1	50,000.00 €	Direct contract
Conference Energy Efficiency	Details included in the Communication and Dissemination Plan.	Q1	25,000.00 €	Direct contract
Conference on Multimodal Transport	Details included in the Communication and Dissemination Plan.	Q1	25,000.00 €	Direct contract
Services d'interprétation	Interpretation services ("simultanée, consécutive, chuchotée") are required for meetings/ events organized by the Agency in France (mainly Valenciennes and Lille) or abroad.	Q1	830,000.00 €	Framework Contract
ERA Information Systems Development 7 (ESP-EISD 7)	Open procurement procedure for the provision of external services aimed to the off-site development of information systems and related studies and support	Q3	5,000,000.00 €	Framework Contract
Call for tender for Framework contract on Event services	The Agency seeks a contractor to organise its major events planned for 2024-2027	Q3-Q4/2023	2,000,000 €	Framework Contract
ERTMS Conference	Valenciennes, Q2/2024 Important biennial conference by ERA as system authority for ERTMS	Q3/2023 - Q2/2024	220,000 €	Direct contracts (interim period until FWC is in place)
20 Years ERA	Valenciennes. Q2/2024	Q3/2023 - Q2/2024	30,000 €	Direct contracts (interim period until FWC is in place)
Linked Data/Digitalisation in Rail- Conference	Place tbc, important conference on digitalisation and data developments in railways Q2/2024	Q3/2023 - Q2/2024	150,000 €	Direct contracts (interim period until FWC is in place)
Belgian Presidency event – Connecting Europe Days	Venue and content tbc (Q1-Q2/2024)	Q4/2023 - Q1/2024	25,000 €	Direct contracts (interim period until FWC is in place)