

## **The Agency:**

The European Union Agency for Railways is an agency of the European Union established by the [Regulation \(EU\) 2016/796](#). Its purpose is to support the development of a Single European Railway Area, without frontiers, guaranteeing a high level of safety.

## **Moving Europe towards a sustainable and safe railway system without frontiers**

We are committed to achieve this by:

- › Providing certifications, authorisations and approvals services to the railway sector;
- › Developing a common approach to safety on the European Rail Traffic Management System (ERTMS);
- › Monitoring National Safety Authorities (NSAs) and Notified Bodies;
- › Assistance (e.g. dissemination, training) to member states, NSAs and stakeholders;
- › Providing technical support to the European Commission, and
- › Promoting simplified access for customers for the European rail sector.

More details on our activities are available in our [Single Programming Document](#).

The Headquarter of the Agency is in Valenciennes, with some facilities in Lille dedicated to specific events. Please consult following link [here](#) for the Agency's mission, vision and values.

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