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**Fiche:** **2020-103** **V1.2** **Level / Status : BudgCell / Under Validation**

## Issuer

**DG/Unit:** MOVE.DDG2.C.4 **PO:** CRUZ MARTINEZ Inigo (MOVE.DDG2.C.4)

## Project characteristics

**Financial instrument:** Grant **Nature of Work:** Other

**Implementation mode:** Body with specific characteristics - Art. 195f FR

## Budget

| Budgetary line(s) | Budgetary line | Amount € |
|---|---|---|
| | 06.020103 Optimising the integration and interconnection of transport modes and enhancing interoperability, safety and security of transport | 400.000 |
| | **Total:** | **400.000** |

## Description

**Title:** Twinning Programme II for rail safety

**Legal basis:** C(2019) 2743 COMMISSION IMPLEMENTING DECISION of 12.4.2019 amending the multiannual work programme 2014-2020 on the financing of the Connecting Europe Facility - Transport sector

**Financing decision:** Financing Decision

**Ref. of financing decision:** Not yet adopted

**Objective:** To assist European rail sector in sharing knowledge and best practice across railways, to support new approaches to safety management and safety culture, enhancing the cooperation between Railway stakeholders (Infrastructure Managers, Railway Undertakings, National safety agencies, National Investigation bodies) for whom safety is relevant or which are effected by rail safety.

**Description:** In 2017 the Twinning Programme I delivered results. It gave insight in safety culture and allowed for an exchange of best practice, thus helping individual IMs improve rail safety consciousness and culture and cooperate with other actors for whom infrastrucutre safety is relevant or which are effected by rail safety. The new initiative should be similar to the first progrmme with two fundamental differences:

- Move from focus on EU-wide benchmarking (national differences and differences in company cultures were unsurmontable) to individual measuring per company. In return focus on increasing participation and agreed lessons-learned deliverables.

- Increase hands on learning potential (actual learning by experiencing how safety culture is applied in practice by joining audits or inspections, incident investigations, process implementation, etc.)
- develop a cooperation method to be taken over by the sector (without further funding) appropriate for further enhancing safety cooperation and best-practice learning.
- Increase cooperation with other actors on rail safety.

The European Rail Safety Agency has acquired considerable expertise and knowledge on safety culture over recent years and assisted the Commission and member States in the development of the Common Safety Methodology on risk assessment for rail operations. The Agency is therefore a main actor in further implementing safety relevant instruments and methodology throughout the European rail sector.

Dissemination of comprehensible information sheets on safety culture issues beyond the group to the wider railway sector network.
Ann experience gained is that the funding will support a central coordinator to agree a mutually beneficial exchanges . The coordinator will also organise the conference for sharing of best-practise and learning at the end of the programme.

EU funding is expected to increase participation in the programme from currently 12 to more than 30 (up to 68) relevant stakeholders for whom rail safety is relevant.

**Budget justification:** This budget is sufficient to more than 60 exchanges/participations and the final conference.

The funding will cover:
-Kick-off meeting and final conference organisation (through coordinator)
-Travel between EU MS and travel to kick-off and final conference
-Accommodation/subsistence where needed
-Support for set up of the twinning or training programme content (through coordinator).

Assumed 68 entities participating with 1 member

ACTIVITY Flights/train tickets Hotels Venue other total
Kick-off meeting 20.400 10.200 10.000 40.600
Visits 1st year 40.800 102.000 142.800
Visits 2nd year 40.800 102.000 142.800
Final conference* 20.400 10.200 10.000 40.600
Coordinator - 36 months - 36.000 36.000

Total 402.800

## Other Information

**Action Duration:** 36 months **Impact IT:** No
**Exp. nb of contracts:** 1 **Previous fiche:**
**Associated Organisational entities:** PRIME

**Justification:** To promote the exchange of best practices, data/information sharing on safety culture and to prepare the ground for occurrence reporting in rail safety management, through hands-on training and experiencing actual rail safety-related activities

**Beneficiary:** A consortium consisting of : - a coordinator, who can also be a sending/ hosting organisation; Members of the consortium must be : either an EU Member State rail infrastructure manager, Railway undertakings, National safety agencies and National investigation bodies. the intended amount of participants is 30 or more entities.

## Project planning

| Event name | Event date | Initial date |
|---|---|---|
| COM letter setting out conditions for grant | 30/06/2019 | |
| Deadline for submission of proposal(s) | 28/11/2019 | |
| Financial commitment (L2) | 01/01/2020 | |

## Commitments

--- None ---

## Approval workflow

**Priority:** 1 **Current Level:** 40 - Under Validation

| Level | Action | Date | Author (on behalf of) | Comment |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Visa DEA | Accept | 04/06/2019 | CRUZ MARTINEZ Inigo | |
| Visa HoU | Accept | 04/06/2019 | FITCH Keir | |
| CEF Visa | Agree | 12/06/2019 | SILLA Olivier | |
| Legal Cell Visa | Accept | 13/06/2019 | BIANCO Dorota | |
| Visa Director | Accept | 14/06/2019 | LECLERC Frederic | |

## Version Fiche Information

| Version | Type | Action | Created on | By | On behalf of |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1.2 | Current | Editable | 18/06/2019 | GIKAS George | |
| 1.1 | Archived | Frozen | 14/06/2019 | LECLERC Frederic | |
| 1.0 | Archived | Frozen | 28/05/2019 | CRUZ MARTINEZ Inigo | |



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