



Railway Safety Culture in the EU ***Statement of the National Safety Authorities***

As NSAs, we appreciate the initiatives of the EU Agency for Railways in the field of safety culture. We welcome in particular the proposal of “*United for Railway Safety, The European Railway Safety Culture Declaration*” and the participation of the EU railway sector, invited by the Agency.

As NSAs, we agree that safety is one of the main drivers of the efficiency, reliability and attractiveness of railway services and is of major societal importance. Safety should not be compromised when different business goals conflict.

As NSAs we already have legal duties to promote safety culture. Our supervision and other activities - such as trainings, workshops and conferences, case studies, introduction of incentive systems - aim to support the railway actors in making their own choices that bolster their safety culture. Our supervision strategies, targeted supervision plans, resource allocation and all aspects of daily work will support this. We are also committed to support - in the spirit of the declaration - the sector to achieve their declaration goals and to monitor their progress doing so.

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