



Framework capacity statement

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Background

- Implementing regulation on procedures and criteria concerning framework agreements for allocation of rail infrastructure capacity adopted in April 2016 (Regulation EU 2016/545)
- Article 3 requiring the IM to draw up a framework capacity statement Indicating for every section of line per control period, and if applicable, by type of service the following information:
 - Framework capacity already allocated
 - Indicative capacity still available for concluding framework agreements on infrastructure for which framework agreements are already concluded
 - The maximum capacity available for framework agreements for every section of line, where applicable
- Framework capacity is any capacity contracted for sale for more than one (annual) timetable period. Therefore any firm rights under a Track Access Contract fall within this definition, until towards the end of the term of the contract.
- Framework capacity statement to be included in the network statement (or via link in network statement)

Questions of interpretation

■ Time:

- FCS must indicate capacity in control periods of no more than 2 hours each
- HOW ? same 2 hours across the whole network or a rolling 2 hours on each line of route

■ Geographic disaggregation:

- FCS must indicate capacity for every section of line per control period
- HOW? Presenting data by constant traffic section (more than 6800) or large route sections only. What about diverging and converging routes?

■ Types of service

- Some contracts are for one type of service only (freight, long distance, high speed...) – optional or not?

■ Uses of capacity:

- Total capacity comprises capacity allocated in contracts, capacity available to be allocated in contracts and capacity used for other purposes: HOW?
- Capacity for other purposes: does it include planned restrictions of use? Capacity preserved for performance integrity?
- Capacity available: should it include strategic capacity?

Discussion/question

- What is the IMs and RBs experience of Framework Capacity Statements?
- Any best practice to share?