

PRIME Meeting no 14 13 June 2019, Bern, CH

Annex to item 3 Institutional matters: Election of industry co-chair

- For decision -

The mandate of Alain Quinet as a PRIME industry co-chair will end in June 2019 and therefore, a new industry co-chair needs to be appointed in Bern.

To this end, Elisabeth Werner, PRIME Commission co-chair, invited on 8 May 2019 the potential candidates to express their interest and set out their vision for the next few years. The deadline for applications was set on 27 May, 2019. In response to this call, Alain Quinet sent an application (see *Annex*). No other application was received.

→ PRIME members are invited to decide on the re-appointment of Alain Quinet, SNCF Réseau, as PRIME industry co-chair until June 2021, with immediate effect.



Annex: Alain Quinet: letter of application



Le Directeur Général Délégué

Paris, 27 May 2019

Dear colleagues,

Since its inception in 2013, PRIME has grown and structured itself. It now has forty members. PRIME has become a platform of reference which gathers all European rail infrastructure managers irrespective of their geography, functions or history.

Thanks to our collective work, some important progress has been made:

- active subgroups now benefit from the commitment of an increasing number of
 infrastructure managers. To quote a few examples, I would like to mention the safety culture
 twinning program, the annual KPI reports and the exchange of best practices on sustainable
 finance. PRIME has also enabled a detailed dialogue with the European Commission on key
 implementing regulations;
- the dialogues with regulators and railway undertakings has been concrete and constructive.
 It has triggered important initiatives on international contingency management and on the removal of operational obstacles to cross border interoperability;
- the strategic discussions during plenary meetings have helped us gain perspective and new ideas on strategic issues, including environment, multimodality or innovation.

Today, I wish to apply for a new mandate. I suggest that we reinforce our focus on business issues (including ERTMS and interoperability) and client orientation. I also wish to strengthen the importance of railways in the future strategies and investments of the new Commission.

To succeed, PRIME will continue to be complementary to the work of sector organisations. The material that they provide will always remain an important source for PRIME's activities.

I thank you for your confidence and your continued support.

Alain Quinet