

PRIME Charges Subgroup

**12th Plenary Meeting, Amersfoort
15th June 2018**

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GENESIS

- 10th CHRISTINE Meeting hosted in Madrid (October 2016)
- Charging workshop between PRIME and the European Network of Rail Regulatory Bodies (ENRRB) (February 2017)
- **Formally established at the PRIME Plenary of June 2017 in Sopron**

OBJECTIVE

Its aim is to facilitate:

- a better understanding of the legal framework in terms of charging policies to ensure compliance between Infrastructure Managers' charging systems and EU Legislation
- a platform where IMs could share information and experience useful for the rest of the group

REMIT

- Enhance cross-border cooperation between Infrastructures Managers as required under Directive 2012/34/EU
- Share experiences in terms of charging policies within the legal framework established by this Directive

No intention to harmonize TAC across Europe, but ensure compliance with current EU Legislation and the charging principles every IM has to respect

MEMBERS

PRIME
Platform of Rail Infrastructure
Managers in Europe



Co-chaired by Sian Prout (DG MOVE) and María Álvarez (ADIF)

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MEETINGS

1st Meeting, Riga 21st Sept. 2017

- Hosted by LatRailNet
- Representation of Infrastructure Managers, CER, EIM and the European Commission (DG MOVE)

Topics:

- Working group's Operation
- Legal framework for calculating direct costs (Implementing Act (EU) 2015/909)
- Synopsis of the questionnaire sent to IM related to Direct Costs

2nd Meeting, Utrecht 5th Apr 2018

- Hosted by ProRail
- Representation of Infrastructure Managers, CER, EIM and the European Commission (DG MOVE)

Topics discussed:

- Direct Costs, information exchange between IM and RB during the charges examination.
- A list of possible topics for discussion in the upcoming meetings was drafted and topics were assigned to volunteers
- Presentation of the Dutch track access charging scheme

Relation with other groups

PRIME charging subgroup should have a fruitful exchange of information with the following groups:

- PRIME KPI group
- European Network of Rail Regulatory Bodies (ENRRB) ad hoc charging experts/IRG-Rail charging group

Upcoming Meeting

Date and venue: Autumn 2018, Brussels

Possible Topics

- Interpretation and scope of minimum access package
- Direct costs (implementing act (EU) 2015/909)
- Cost base and cost drivers
- Mark-ups
- Performance schemes
- Charging of service facilities
- Collection of charges, invoicing



Thank you!

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