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Opening

Master of Ceremony Welcome Speech



Joachim Kroll
Secretary General
RailNetEurope (RNE)



Paul Mazataud
President of RNE
(SNCF Réseau)

Agenda Part 1

09:00 Opening & Welcome Speech

- Joachim Kroll, Secretary General, RNE
- Paul Mazataud, President, RNE (SNCF Réseau)

09:15 Keynote Speech

- Kristian Schmidt, Director Land Transport, European Commission (DG MOVE)

09:25 Scene Setter Presentation

- Elisabeth Hochhold, Deputy Secretary General, RNE
- Alfred Pitnik, Co-Chair at PRIME Task Force, RNE Vice President (ÖBB Infra-AG)

09:45 Panel 1: Success Factors and Sector Expectations

- Linda Thulin, Co-Chair at PRIME Task Force, RNE Vice President (Trafikverket)

11:00 Coffee Break

Agenda Part 2

11:30 Panel 2: Harmonised and Market-Oriented Capacity Management

- Oliver Sellnick, VP European Corridors and Cooperations at DB InfraGO, RNE Vice President

12:30 *Lunch Break*

13:30 Keynote Speeches

- John Voppen, CEO, ProRail
- Johann Pluy, Member of the Management Board, ÖBB-Infra AG

13:50 Panel 3: Developments in Traffic Management Network Concept

- Tomas Jonikaitis, RNE Vice President (LTG Infra)

14:50 Panel 4: Roadmap to make European Railway Digital

- Michel Geubelle, RNE Vice President (Infrabel)

15:50 Conclusions & Closing

- All moderators

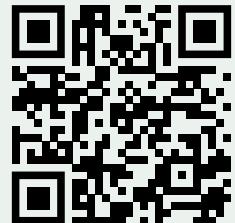
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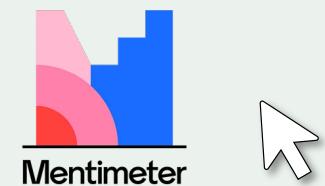
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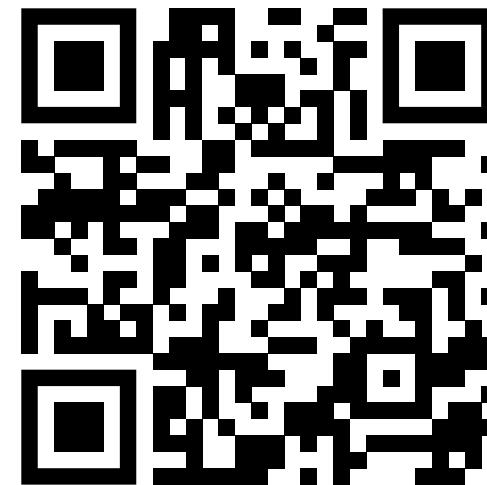


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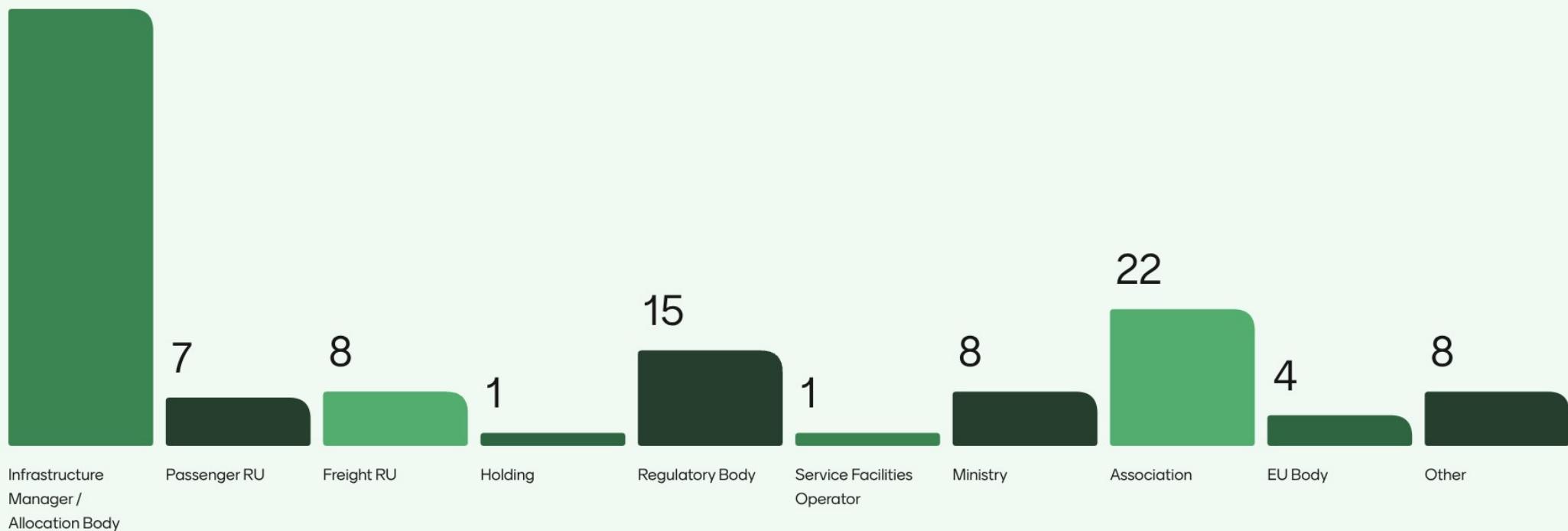
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Welcome Speech



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Keynote Speech



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Scene Setter: Learn more about the draft Capacity Regulation

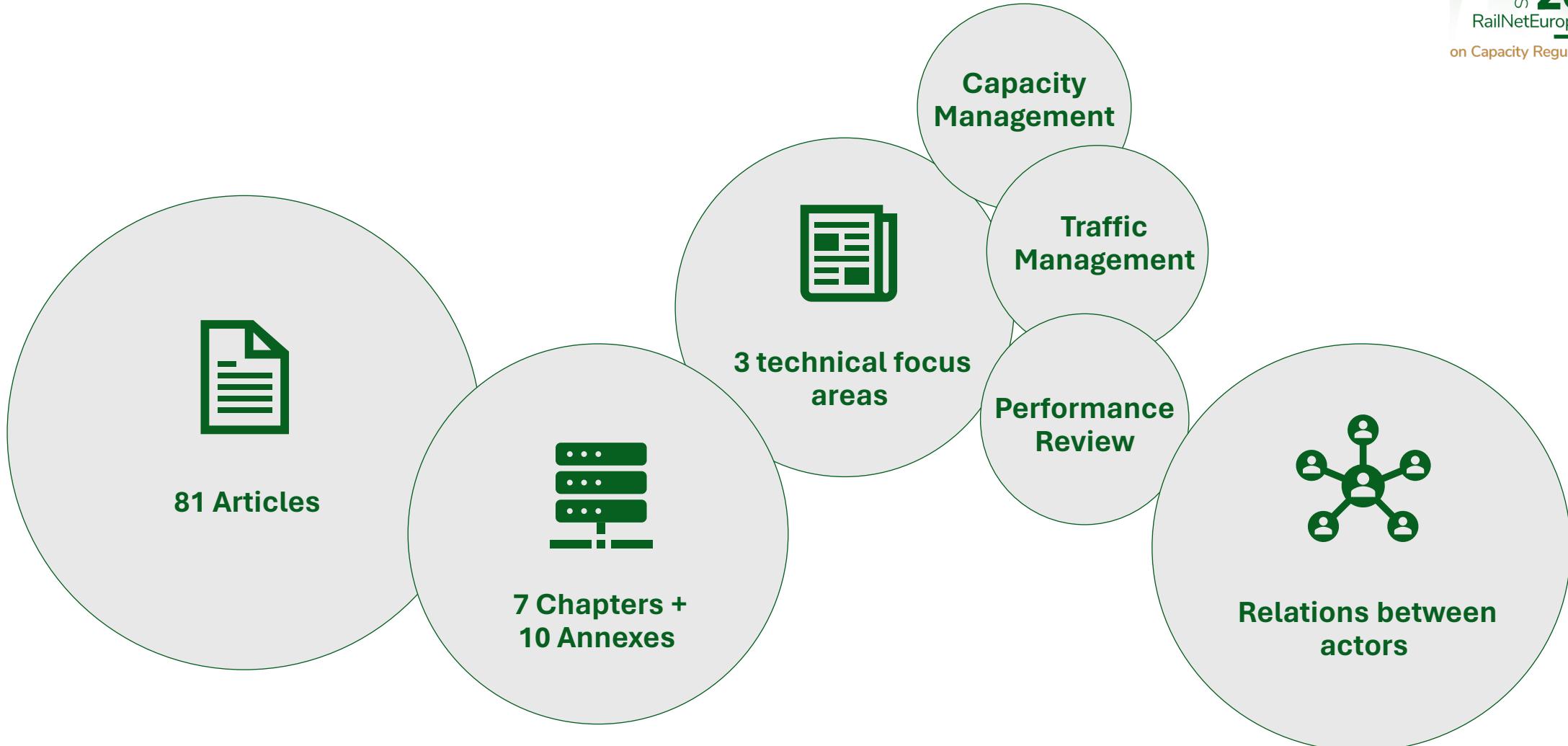


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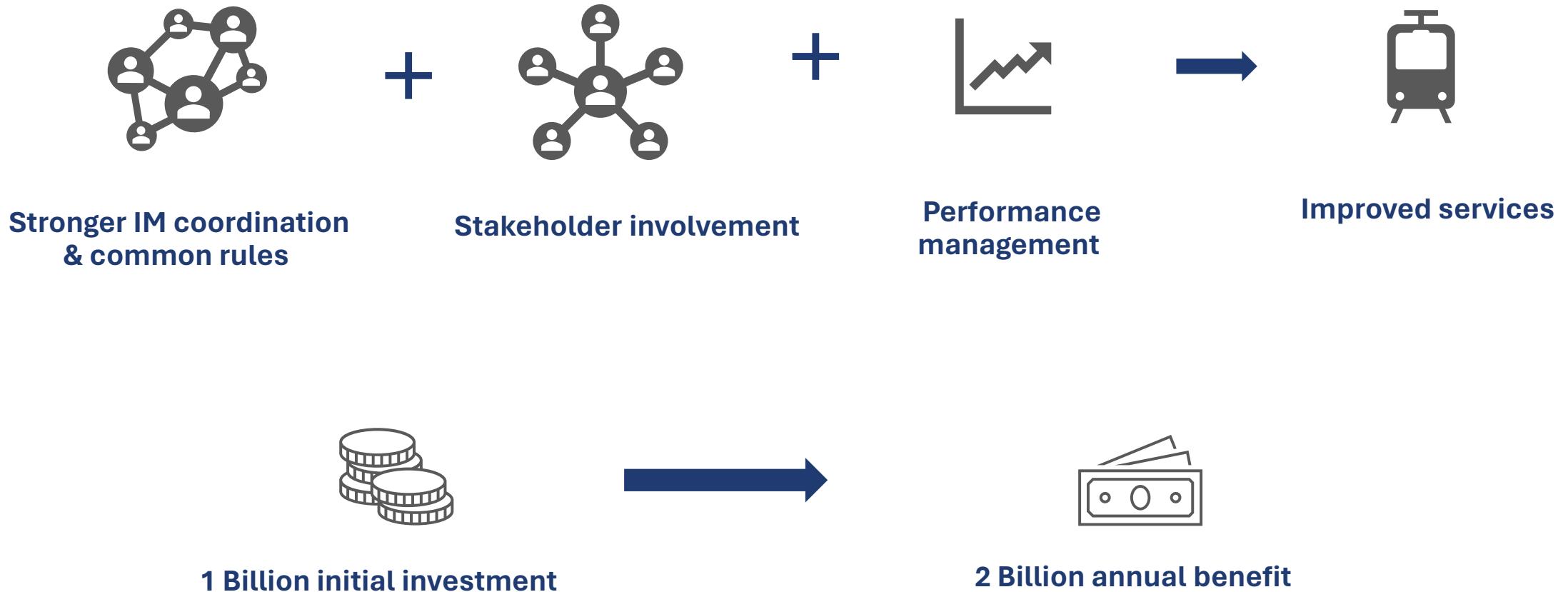
The Regulation at a glance



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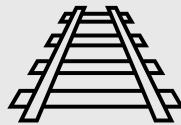
- **Chapter I** – General Provisions
- **Chapter II** – Management of Infrastructure Capacity
 - Section 1 - General Principles
 - Section 2 - Strategic Capacity Planning
 - Section 3 - Scheduling and Capacity Allocation
 - Section 4 – Changes to Capacity Rights after allocation
- **Chapter III** – Traffic, Disruption and Crisis Management
- **Chapter IV** – Performance Review
- **Chapter V** – European Network for Coordination
- **Chapter VI** – Regulatory Oversight of Capacity and Traffic Management
- **Chapter VII** – Final Provisions

An ambitious goal



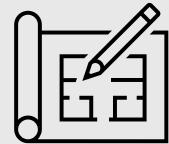
The codification of a sector project

Strategic capacity planning



- Capacity Strategy (X-60 till X-36)
- Capacity Model (X-36 till X-18)
- Capacity Supply plan
- Contingency planning
- Socio-economic and environmental criteria for highly utilised / congested lines

Capacity allocation



- Annual path requests
- Rolling planning
- Ad hoc
- Framework agreements
- TCR schedules
- Multi network capacity rights
- Coordination with service facilities

Adaptation & rescheduling



- Path modification
- Path alteration
- Path cancellation
- Penalties

RTT Redesign
For Smart Capacity Management

Add-ons



- EU Framework for Capacity Management
- ETMS
- Public security & crisis management provisions

Traffic Management “made in (for) Europe”



1

Normal operating conditions

2

Disruption management

3

Crisis situations

- *Fast & coordinated reaction*
- *Stabilise & optimise rail traffic*
- *Relevant & up to date info*

Common rules and procedures to manage deviations from working timetable – EU Framework for Traffic Management

Common tools, methodologies and procedural arrangements

- Definition of responsibilities of stakeholders
- IT tools for exchange of information & communication
- Simulation & training
- Coordination groups
- Efficient cross-border cooperation
- Contingency plans

*Incident reports IM – NC – ENIM – ETC coordinators
& Advisory Performance Panel*

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A new take at performance review

ENIM



- EU Framework for Performance review
Incl. common tools, methodologies & procedures
- Performance report

IMs



- Set own performance targets
- Report on progress
- Identify deficiency causes with stakeholders & implement remedial measures

Further actors involved

- ENRRB & RBs
- ETC coordinators
- ERP & Stakeholders

Advisory Performance Panel



- Assessment of performance of infra & rail services
- Recommendations to ENIM, ENRRB, MS, IMs, applicants, RBs, stakeholders
- Monitor application of 3 EU Frameworks in cooperation with ENRRB/RBs – report on effectiveness & request updates from ENIM

Many actors

European Commission
Monitors implementation
Implementing & delegated acts

Advisory Performance Panel
Recommendations for performance improvement

National Regulators
Checking national implementation

ENRRB
Recommendations to ENIM & national RBs

Member States
Strategic guidelines
Financing



ENIM
EU Frameworks
Recommendations to IMs

Network Coordinator
Supports ENIM
Contact point for applicants and stakeholders
Coordinates IM activities

IMs & Focal Points
Implement Regulation & EU Frameworks

ERP & Stakeholders
Provide feedback to ENIM

Who, What, When?

Consultation on Draft
ENIM Work Programme
*@ERP, oper. stakeholders, EC,
ERA, EU Rail JU*

Q3/Q4 2026



Q1/2027

Consultation on

- **draft Network Statement common structure** *@ENRRB*
- **EU Framework for CM**

@ERP / oper. stakeholders

Adoption Network statement Common structure

Consultation on

- **EU Framework for Traffic Management (TM)**
@ERP / oper. stakeholders
- EU Framework for Capacity Management (CM)
@ENRRB

Q2/Q3 2027



Q4/2027

▪ Adoption EU Framework for CM
 Consultation on

- EU Framework for TM *@ENRRB*
- **EU Framework for Performance Review**
@ERP / oper. stakeholders

Q1/Q2 2028



Key milestones for Infrastructure Managers



2027

October

Start the consultation on Capacity Strategy

December

Publish the Capacity Strategy for TT 2031

Start preparation of Capacity Model for TT 2031

Availability of digital tools for capacity allocation and exchange of information on Traffic Management



2028

December

IMs publish the Capacity Strategy for Timetable 2032

Start preparation of Capacity Model for Timetable 2032



2029

January

IMs provide up-to date information on availability of infrastructure

June

IMs publish the final Capacity Model for TT 2031

Start the preparation of Capacity Supply for TT 2031

End of October

IMs publish Network Statement 2031



December 2027: EC to adopt Delegated Act on rescheduling and small TCRs (art. 39 (9))

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Stakeholder consultation - new platform for dialogue: Advisory Board for the Capacity Regulation



- Purpose** › Establish **cooperation and coordination** between RNE in its role of Candidate Network Coordinator and the operational stakeholders other than IMs
- Setup** › **Umbrella platform for the consultation** of operational stakeholders other than IMs on preparatory work related to the implementation of the proposed capacity regulation
- Participants** › **36 applications received**
- Inauguration meeting** › **13 March 2026** – online meeting
- Relation to ERP** › ERP: **consolidation** between operational stakeholders (excluding IMs)
ABCR: **dialogue** between operational stakeholders and IMs (via NC)

Panel 1: Success Factors and Sector Expectations



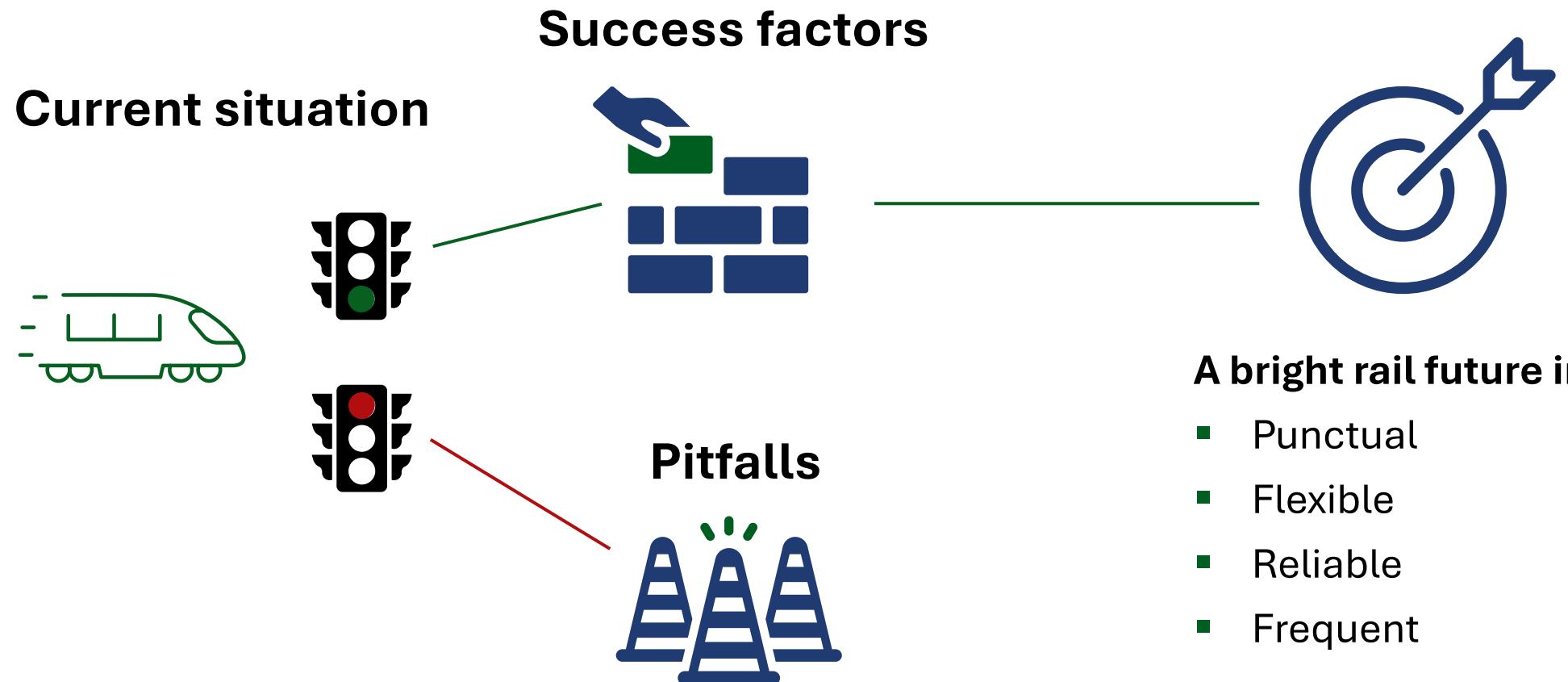
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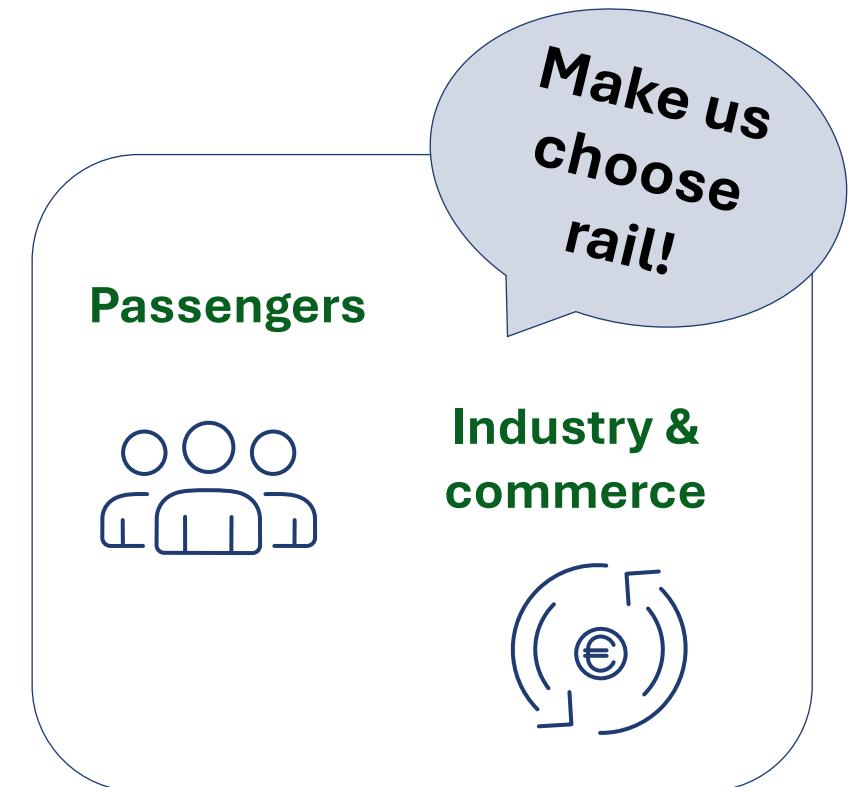
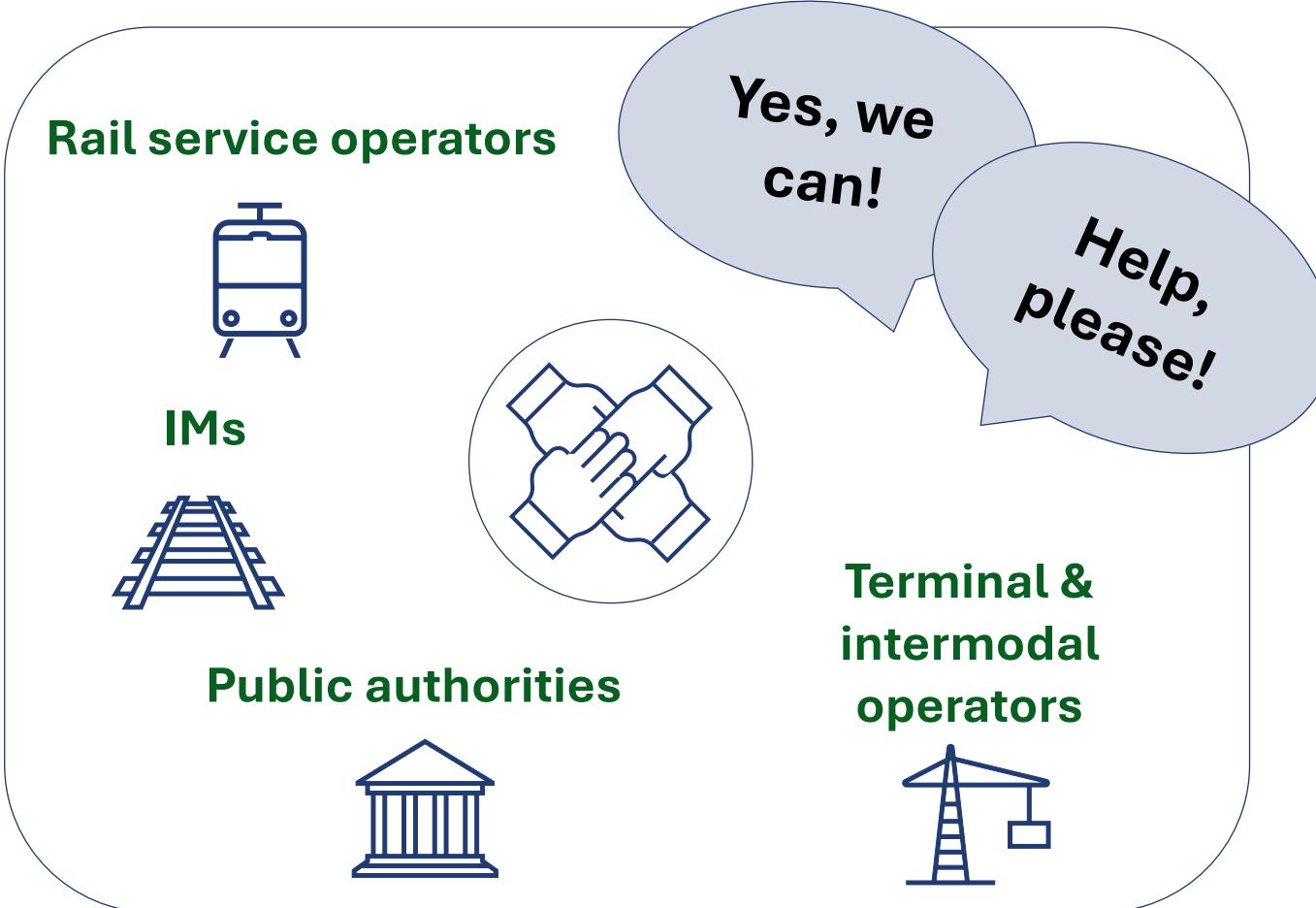
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Way forward for rail: success factors and pitfalls



Succeeding together: Commitments and expectations



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Thomas Spiegel
Head of Unit
**Austrian Federal Ministry for
Innovation, Mobility &
Infrastructure (BMIMI)**



Reinhard Haller
Head of Market & Performance
RailNetEurope (RNE)



Udo Sauerbrey
Member of the Board
**Intern. Rail Freight Business
Association (IBS)**



Roberto Piazza
Director
**Italian Transport Regulatory
Authority (ART)**



Edgar Schenk
Managing Director
Forum Train Europe (FTE)



Sven Gjeruldsen
RNE Vice President
(Bane NOR)



Josef Schneider
Member of the Management Board
European Passengers' Federation (EPF)

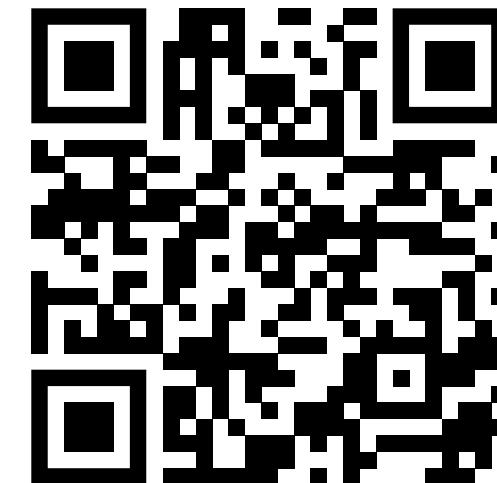


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Executive Director
EU Agency for Railways (ERA)

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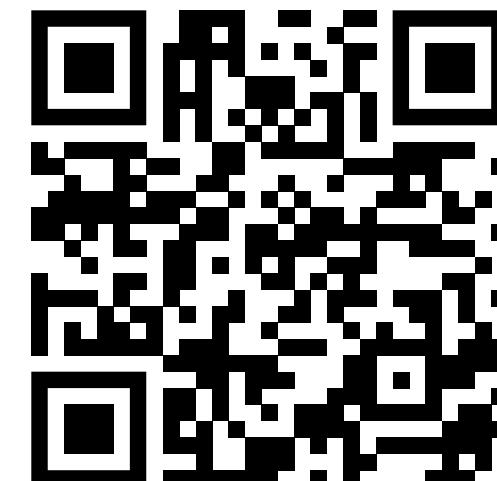
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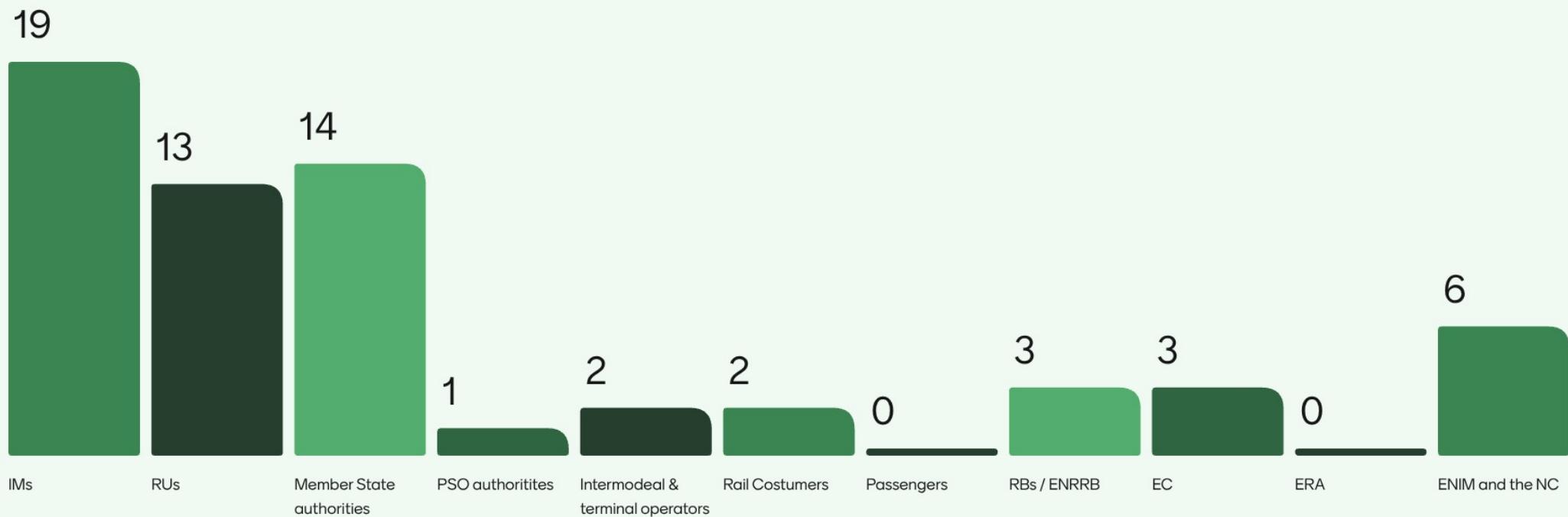
Which are the three stakeholder groups most important to make the implementation of the Rail Capacity Regulation a success?

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Which are the 3 stakeholder groups most important to make the implementation of the CR a success?



Coffee Break until 11:30

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Panel 2: Harmonised & Market-Oriented Capacity Management



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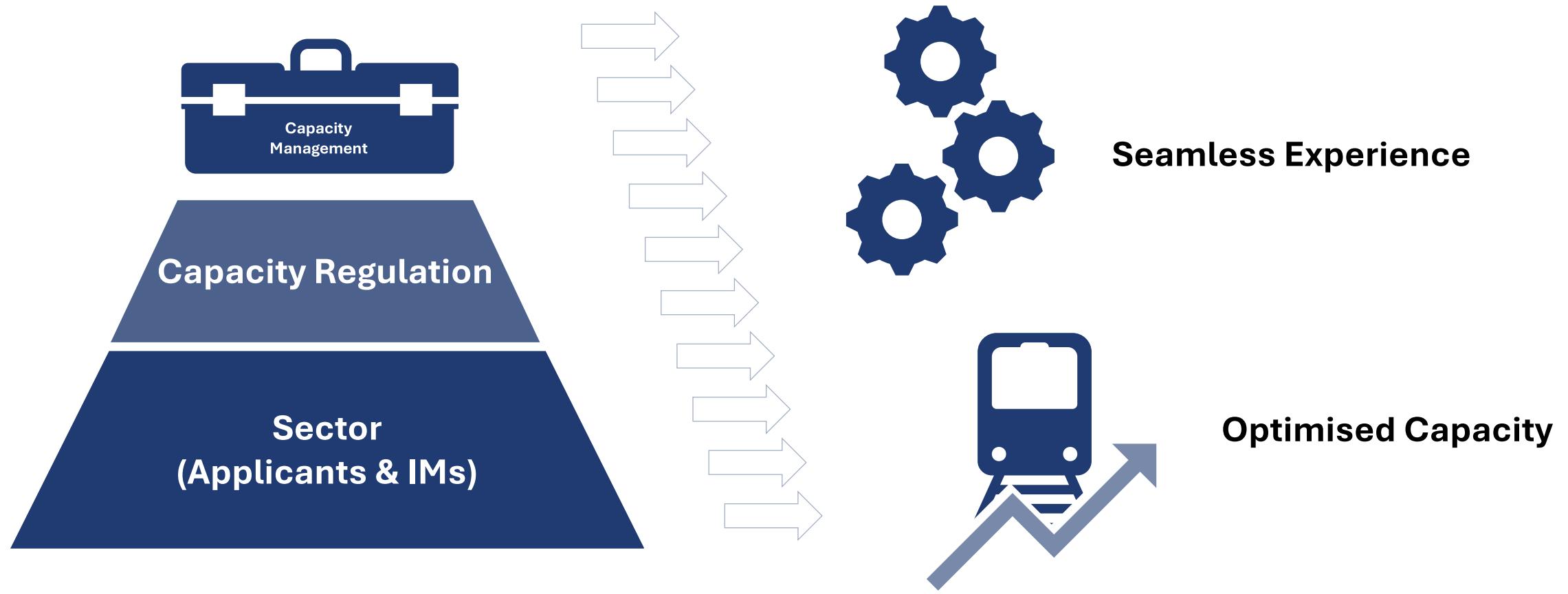


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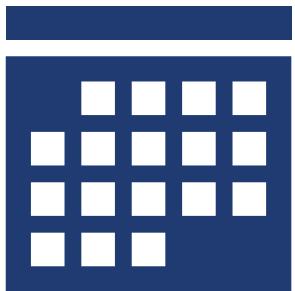
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Capacity Management: A Sector Proposal with Expectations



Implementation of Capacity Management

Be ready!



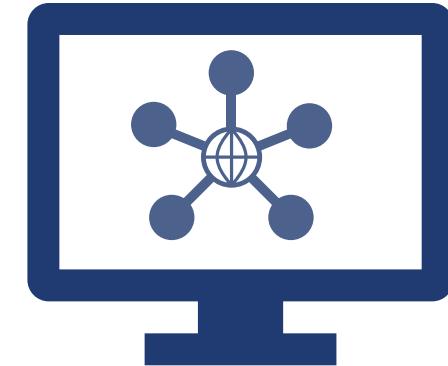
First application
already in 2027

Rulebook



Common interpretation due
to 'European Framework for
Capacity Management'

Digitalisation



As enabler of implementation

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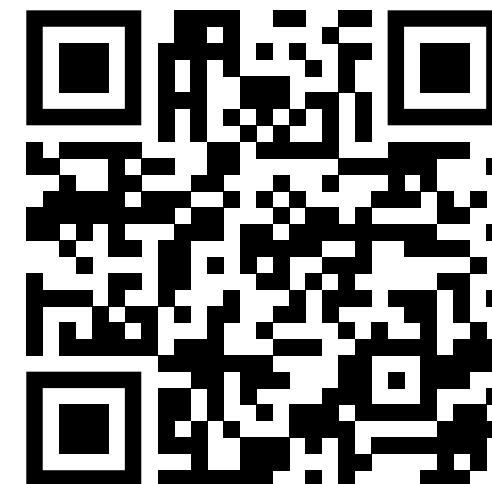
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A vibrant, candid photograph of a professional networking event. Numerous individuals of various ages and ethnicities are seen interacting, holding glasses of white wine, and looking at mobile devices. The setting appears to be a modern office lobby or a conference room with large windows in the background.

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Keynote Speeches



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Shaping the Future of Rail Capacity - Together!

Johann Pluy
Member of the Board
ÖBB-Infrastruktur AG

Why ENIM, Why Now

- Rail demand is rising rapidly across Europe
- Cross-border operations remain too slow and complex
- Geopolitical and economic shifts threaten supply chain resilience
- Digital transformation requires common standards
- Great potential to shift more transport from road to rail

Cooperation is no longer optional — it is essential!

A New Chapter for Europe's Railways

- Focus on delivering real, operational improvements
- Better cross-border services
- More and better capacity for all traffic types
- Stronger resilience of the railway
- our goal is clear:

Turn shared urgency into shared success!

What we must deliver

- Strategic capacity management with dedicated capacity for freight and passenger
- Harmonised long-term planning (incl. TCRs) between IMs and involving Member States
- A robust assessment of performance (infra and rail services)
- Early and continuous involvement of RUs and stakeholders

Pragmatic approach: test – learn – improve

One clear goal

A stronger
more unified
and more
competitive European rail network.

Panel 3: Developments in Traffic Management Network Concept



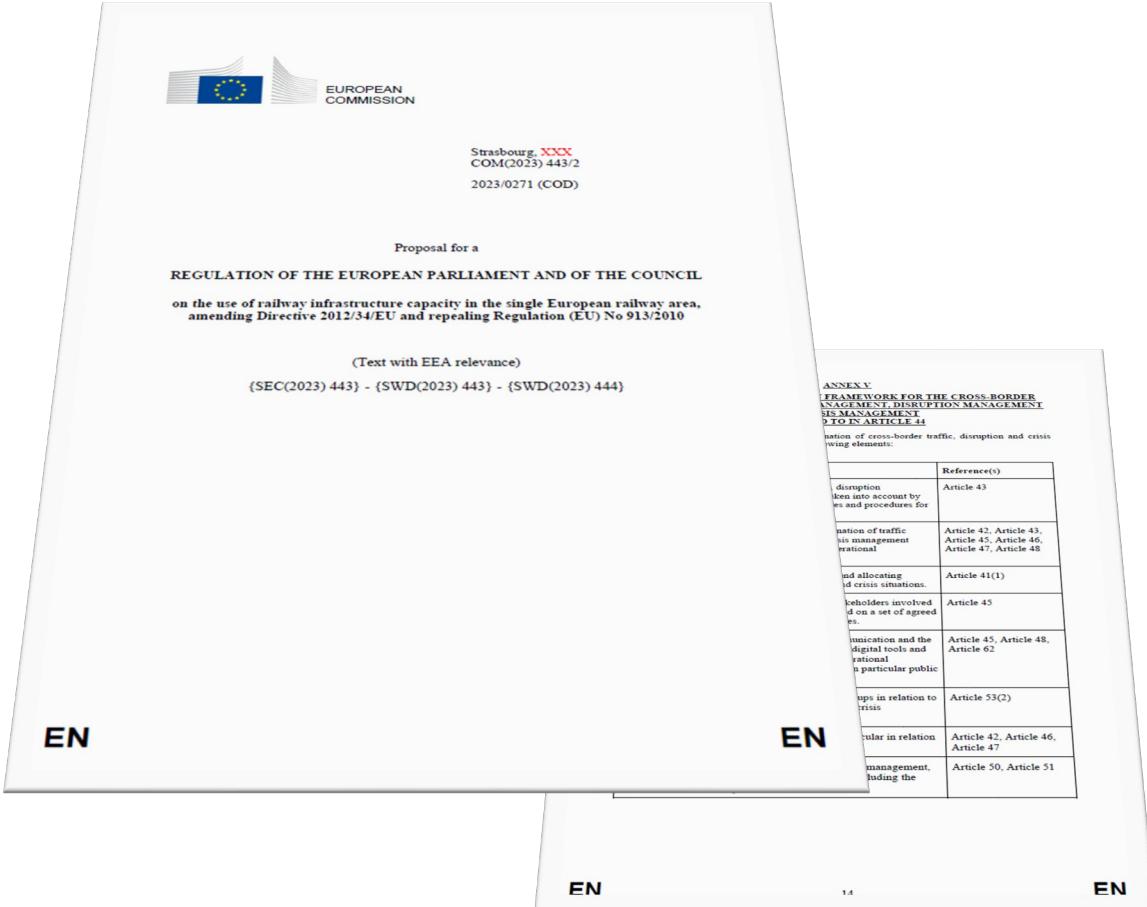
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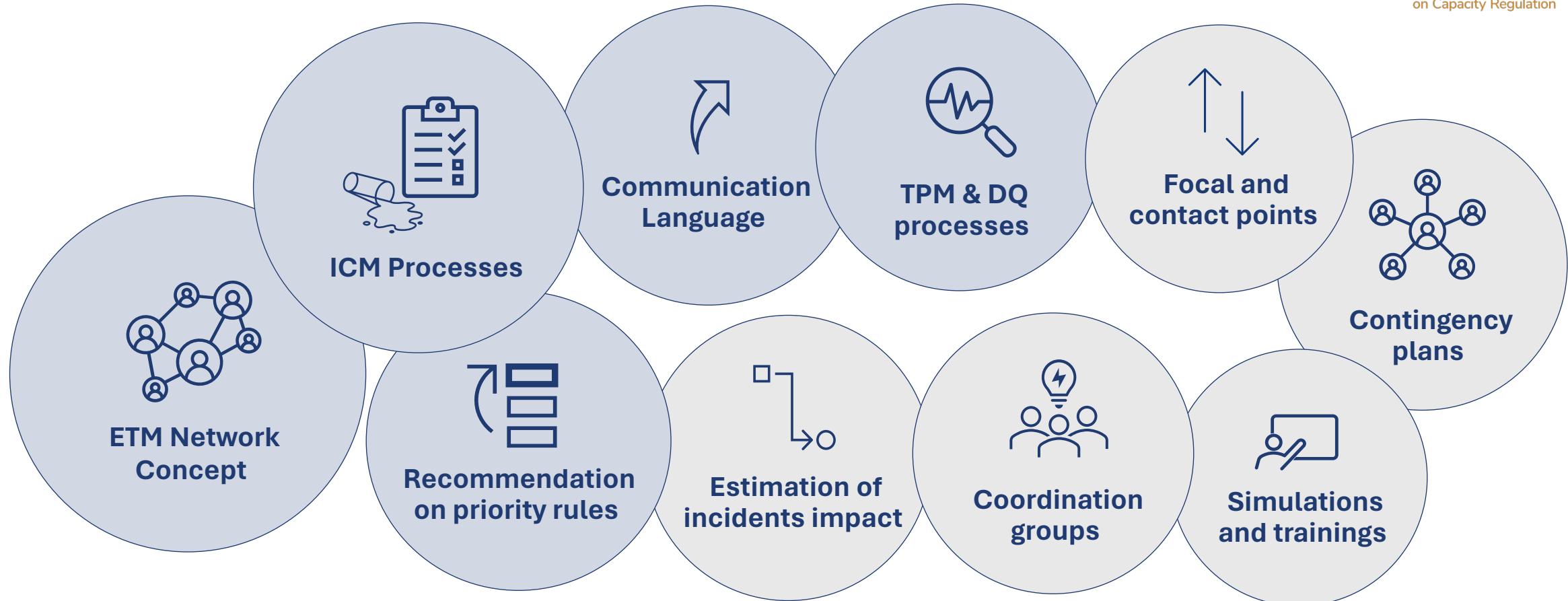
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Traffic Management in the draft Capacity Regulation



Cooperation between operational stakeholders is crucial for a successful traffic management process

European Framework Traffic Management Areas



Covered with existing handbooks

New areas without handbooks

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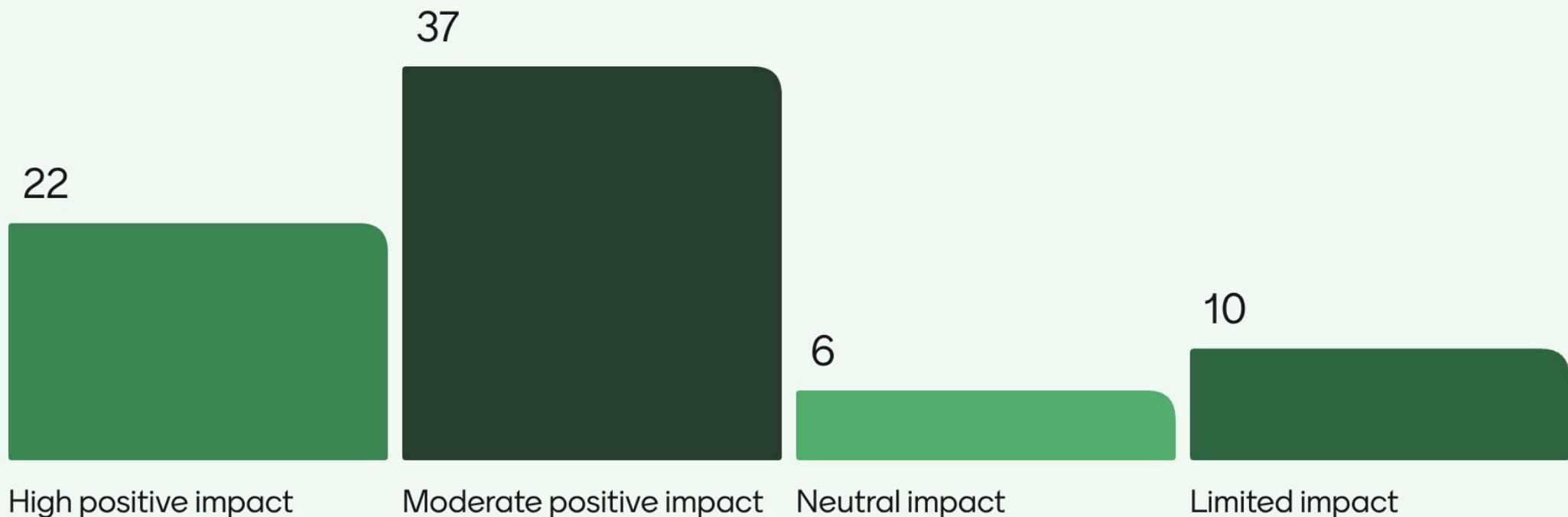
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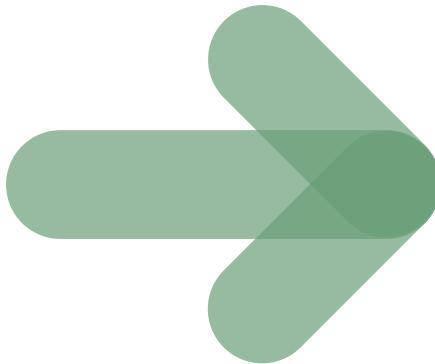
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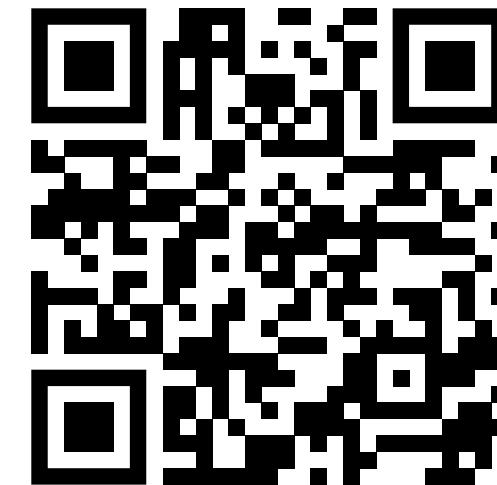


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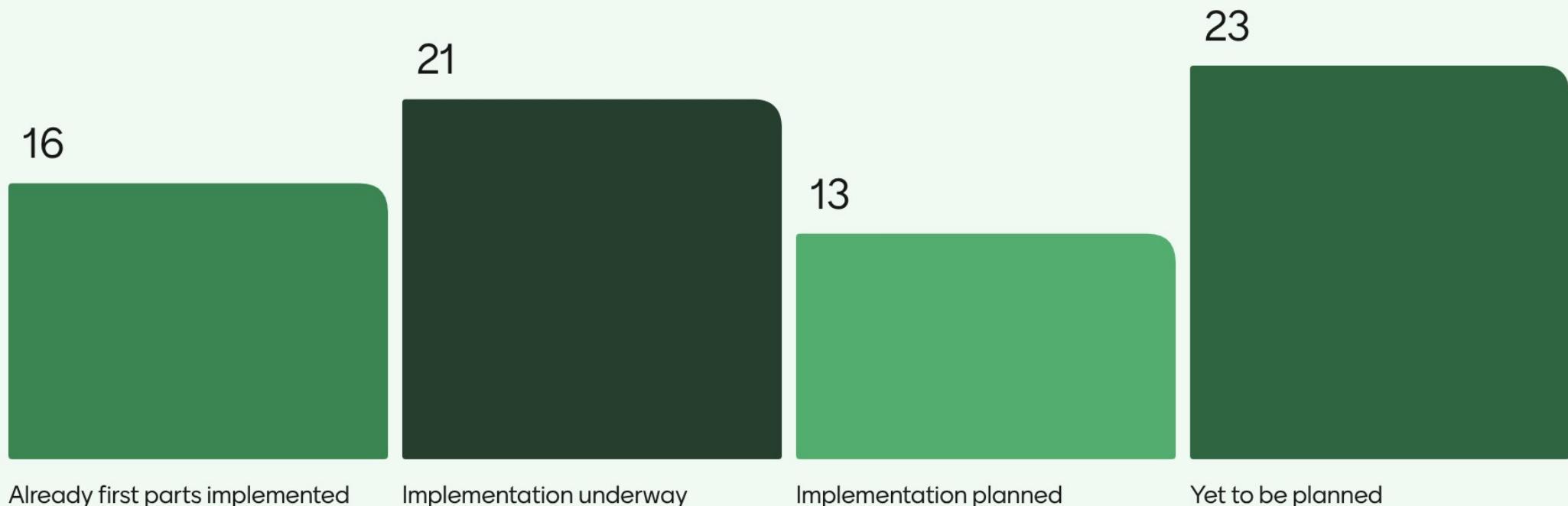
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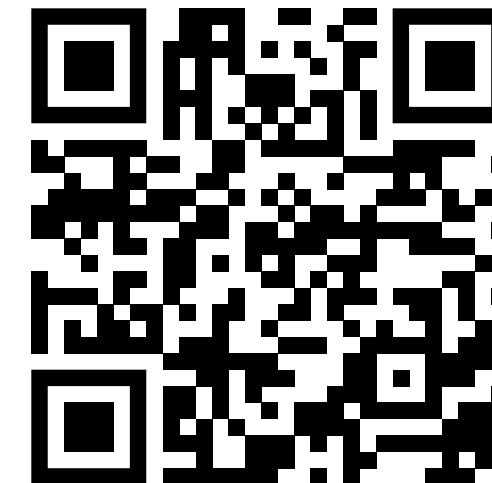
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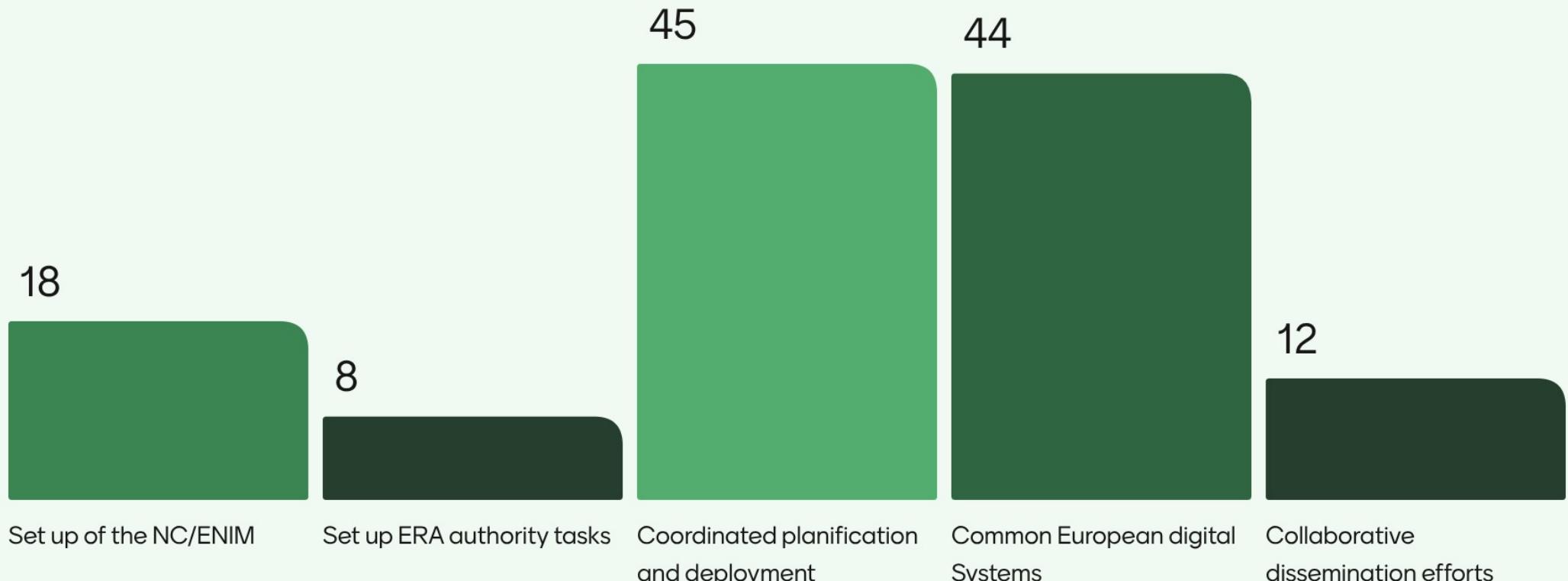


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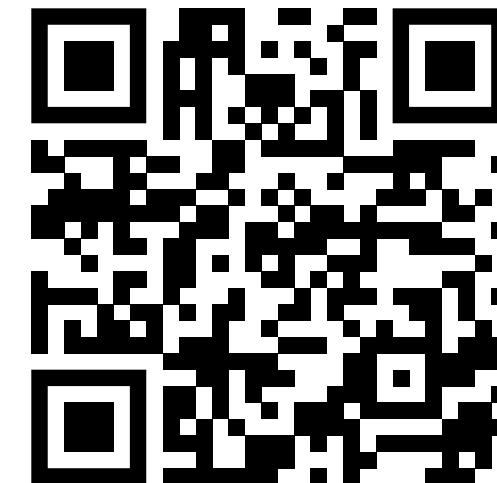


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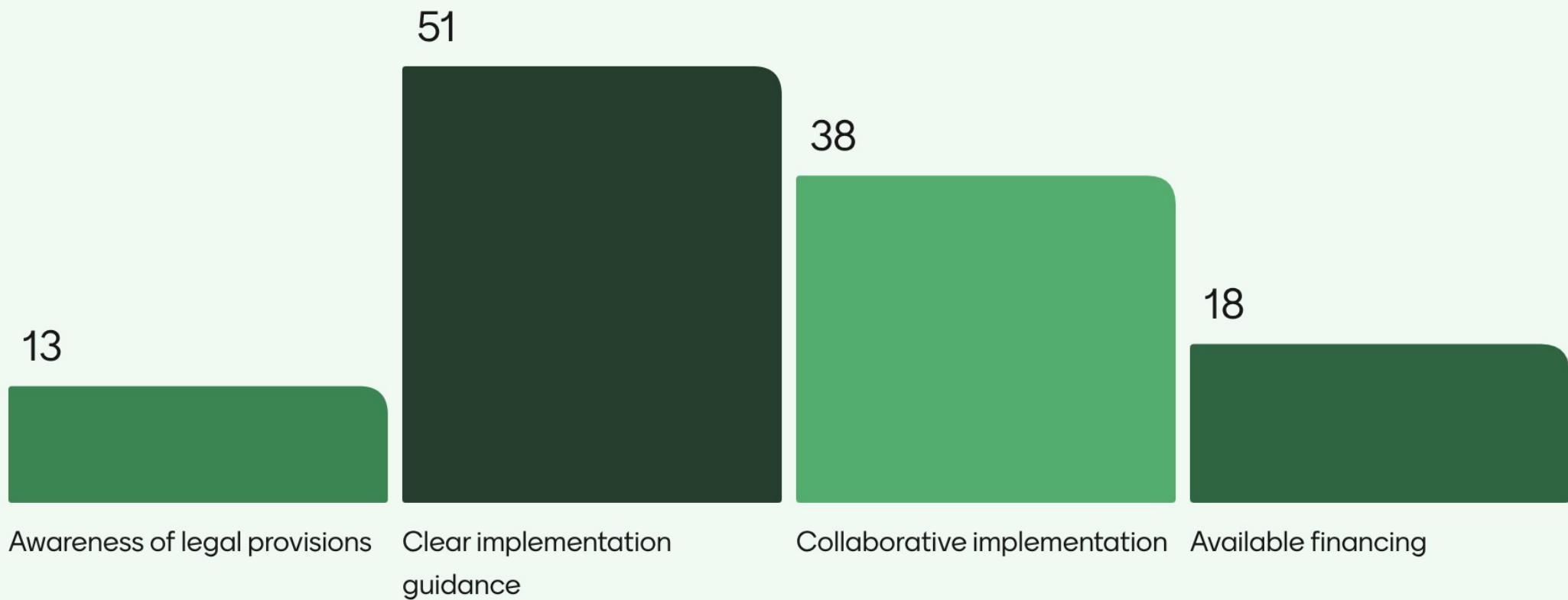


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