Activities and challenges of ERA focused on the WB

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21 September 2022, Tirana, Albania
- IPA Webinar "Decarbonization by Multimodality" with Prof. Dr. Dr. B. Kortschak, online (29 September 2022, 11:00am to noon CEST / Paris time)
  Click here to join the meeting
- 50th NIB Network meeting, Valenciennes / hybrid (12 and 13 October 2022)
- ERA participation in the RAILCON Conference '22, Niš (13 – 14 October 2022)
- NIB Peer Review NIB Hungary, Budapest (26 October 2022)
- 61st NSA Network Meeting, Valenciennes / hybrid (08 and 09 November 2022)
- ERTMS Training, Pristina (08 – 10 November 2022)
- Interoperability Training, Serbia (13 – 15 December 2022 t.b.c.)
**OCTOBER**

- 13 October, 16:00-17:00 (Paris time, CEST - UTC+2) – Transport of Dangerous Goods

**NOVEMBER**

- 10 November, 11:00-12:00 (Paris time, CET – UTC+1) – International relations
- 22 November, 16:00-17:00 (Paris time, CET – UTC+1) – Railway Maintenance

**DECEMBER**

- 08 December, 16:00-17:00 (Paris time, CET - UTC+1) - CSM-ASLP

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2023 Priorities for IPA – subject to approval –

(1) Connection to EVR
(2) Reduction of national rules
(3) Supervision by NSAs
IPA Activities 2023 – subject to approval –

- Dissemination CSM ASLP
- Seminar on Rail Freight Transport (Multimodality and Transport of Dangerous Goods)
- EVR Training
- Workshop "Training and Licensing of Train Drivers“
- Study Visit related to alternative fuels for railways (hydrogen fuel cells) and battery electric trains
- Refresher Training for NIBs

- E-Learning
- Traineeship Programme
- Technical support for rules analysis / support to define a rules notification process
- Assistance in take-over/implementation of TSIs into national legal framework
- Verification of conformity of legislation implementing relevant EU rail acquis
- To continue inviting beneficiaries to NSA and NIB Network Meetings
- Monitoring of NSAs and NIB peer-reviews
Challenges of ERA cooperation with West Balkans

• With increased role of ERA under the 4th Railway Package, good planning of resource use is essential to deliver IPA objectives. Please let ERA know about your needs for assistance, training, traineeships, etc as early as possible in order to organise support.
• There seems still not a final decision under which conditions third countries can use EVR.
• Under the IPA Budget there is only very limited possibility to provide technical assistance to beneficiaries.
• IPA Budget is presently attending approval for 2023, a new contract needs to be negotiated for 2024 and beyond
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