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**DECISION n° 116**  
**of the Administrative Board of the European Railway Agency**  
**adopting the ERA management standards and repealing Administrative Board Decisions n° 23 and n° 81**

**THE ADMINISTRATIVE BOARD OF THE EUROPEAN RAILWAY AGENCY,**

Having regard to Regulation (EC) N° 881/2004 of the European Parliament and of the Council) establishing a European Railway Agency (hereinafter referred to as "the Agency") and in particular article 38.4 thereof,

Having regard to the DECISION n°93 of the Administrative Board of the European Railway Agency adopting the financial regulation of the Agency dated 31 December 2013 and in particular article 44§2 thereof, hereinafter the 'Financial Regulation'

Having regard to the European Commission Internal Control Standards ;

Whereas:

1. The Commission has laid down 16 Internal Control Standards for the development of the necessary procedures and controls which shall provide management with reasonable assurance that the organization' s objectives are met.
2. The above -mentioned 16 Internal Control Standards have been slightly amended correspond to the needs of the Agency in terms of Internal Control;
3. The Agency is currently implementing an Integrated Management System based on requirements specified in the Internal Control Standards and in the latest version of the international quality standard ISO 9001.
4. To avoid overlaps or redundancy, the Agency has developed its own ERA Management Standards taking into account both Internal Control Standards and ISO 9001 series standards. These Standards shall constitute the Internal Control Standards of the Agency.
5. Consequently, the decisions n°23 and n°81 of the Administrative Board of the European Railway Agency adopting and amending the Internal control standards for the European Railway Agency have to be replaced by the new ERA Management Standards that specifies the requirements related to the Integrated Management System.

**HAS DECIDED AS FOLLOWS:**

*Article 1*

The ERA Managements Standards are adopted as set out in the annex to this decision.

*Article 2*

Decision n°23 of the Administrative Board of the European Railway Agency adopting Internal control standards for the European Railway Agency dated 28 October 2008 and decision n°81 of the Administrative Board of the European Railway Agency amending the internal control standard n°16 'internal audit function for the European Railway Agency' dated 20 March 2013 are repealed.

Done at Valenciennes, on 16-06-2015

For the Administrative Board

The Chairman

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Annex: ERA Management Standards