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safe railway system without frontiers.

DECISION n° 358

of the Management Board of the European Union Agency for Railways adopting the Anti-Fraud Strategy for the period 2025-2027

THE MANAGEMENT BOARD OF THE EUROPEAN UNION AGENCY FOR RAILWAYS,

Having regard to the Regulation (EU) N° 2016/796 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 11 May 2016 on the European Union Agency for Railways (hereinafter referred to as “the Agency”) and repealing Regulation (EC) No 881/2004 (hereinafter called “the Regulation”), and in particular Articles 51 § 1 point (q) thereof.

Having regard to the Decision n° 300 of the Management Board of the European Union Agency for Railways adopting the ERA Internal control framework and repealing Decision n° 191 adopting the revised ERA Management Standards and in particular Internal control principle n° 8 [ERA] assesses the potential for fraud in assessing risks to the achievement of objectives thereof

Whereas:

- (1) On 29 April 2019, the Commission adopted its new Anti-Fraud strategy: enhanced action to protect EU budget¹ setting out the principles for fighting against fraud applicable to agencies
- (2) OLAF’s Methodology and guidance for the anti-fraud strategies for EU decentralised agencies and Joint Undertakings², which was communicated on 4th June 2024 to the Agency, proposes for the management boards of agencies to adopt an anti-fraud strategy taking into consideration their specificities
- (3) The Agency has adopted its previous Anti-Fraud Strategy in 2015. Following its evaluation, building on the actions taken since 2015 and considering the new fraud risk environment in which the Agency operates, the Agency has developed a new Anti-fraud Strategy for the period 2025-2027, having regards to the costs benefits of the measures to be implemented and proportionate to its risks

HAS DECIDED AS FOLLOWS:

¹ COM (2019) 196 final

² Ref. ARES (2024) 4040978

Article 1

The Anti-Fraud Strategy 2025-2027 is adopted as set out in Annex of this decision.

Article 2

The present decision shall enter into force on the day following that of its adoption. It will be published on the Agency website.

For the Management Board
19/11/2024

The Chairwoman
Paloma IRIBAS FORCAT

Annex: ERA Anti-fraud strategy 2025-2027

