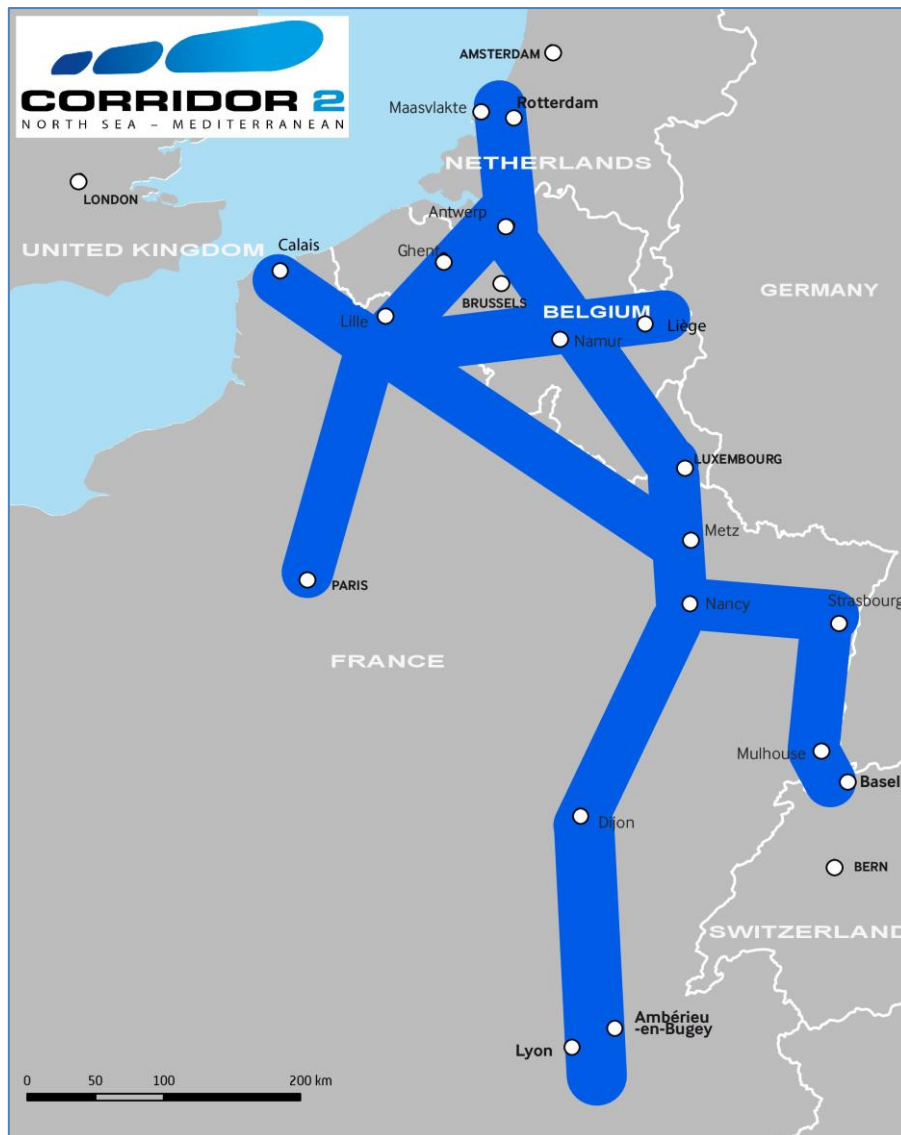


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NETWORK STATEMENT EXCERPT - 2016 VERSIONS

Please find below the 2016 network statements of our involved Infrastructure Managers or Allocation Bodies, in English. The links will guide you to the corresponding pages in the national network statements. Where the English version is not yet available, we have provided one general link to the French version.

[ProRail](#)
[Infrabel](#)
[ACF](#)
[RFF](#)
[SBB](#)

1. General Information

[ProRail](#)
[Infrabel](#)
[ACF](#)
[RFF](#)
[SBB](#)

1.1 Introduction

Gives a brief presentation of the IM and states why the IM is producing the NS.

[ProRail](#)
[Infrabel](#)
[ACF](#)
[RFF](#)
[SBB](#)

1.2 Objective

Gives a brief description of the purpose of the NS.

[ProRail](#)
[Infrabel](#)
[ACF](#)
[RFF](#)
[SBB](#)

1.3 Legal Framework

Lists the main legislation and regulations to be considered by RUs.

[ProRail](#)
[Infrabel](#)
[ACF](#)
[RFF](#)
[SBB](#)

1.4 Legal Status

Describes the legal status of the NS in national legislation. States the extent of the liability of the IM for information contained in the NS and includes any legal disclaimers. Describes the procedure for RUs to appeal against any action or decision taken by the IM, including the content of the NS.

[ProRail](#)

[Infrabel](#)

[ACF](#)

[RFF](#)

[SBB](#)

1.5 Structure of Network Statement

Gives a brief description of the Common Structure for the NS and refers to the latest version number of the Implementation Guide.

[ProRail](#)

[Infrabel](#)

[ACF](#)

[RFF](#)

[SBB](#)

1.6 Validity and Updates

States the dates of the period of validity of the NS and the relevant annual timetable's start and end dates. Describes how the NS is updated, with special reference to the situations where consultation with RUs is mandatory.

[ProRail](#)

[Infrabel](#)

[ACF](#)

[RFF](#)

[SBB](#)

1.7 Publication

Lists the available formats of the NS (e.g. printed document, web document, CD-ROM), how they can be obtained and their prices. An English version of the NS should be available. Here is stated which language version will prevail in case of inconsistencies.

[ProRail](#)

[Infrabel](#)

[ACF](#)

[RFF](#)

[SBB](#)

1.8 National Contacts

Lists the contacts which will provide more information on domestic and international traffic and indicates their respective fields of information.

[ProRail](#)

[Infrabel](#)

[ACF](#)

[RFF](#)

[SBB](#)

1.9 Rail Freight Corridors

Provides information on the Rail Freight Corridors that are integrated in the IM/AB network, namely institutional information regarding the RFC, including the website information and relevant RFC contacts; maps or other descriptions with the corridor's identification; connected Corridor Information Document (CID) content; chapters inside the NS where RFC applicable information will be found.

[ProRail](#)

[Infrabel](#) (1.10)

[ACF](#)

[RFF](#)

[SBB](#)

1.10 RailNetEurope – *international cooperation between Infrastructure Managers*

Describes the aim and tasks of RailNetEurope, the structure and tasks of the national OSS and the tools supplied by RNE.

[ProRail](#)

[Infrabel](#) (1.11)

[ACF](#)

[RFF](#)

[SBB](#)

2. Access Conditions

[ProRail](#)

[Infrabel](#)

[ACF](#)

[RFF](#)

[SBB](#)

2.1 Introduction

[ProRail](#)

[Infrabel](#)

[ACF](#)

[RFF](#)

[SBB](#)

2.2 General Access Requirements

Describes or refers to the main legal regulations set by national and international authorities.

[ProRail](#)

[Infrabel](#)

[ACF](#)

[RFF](#)

[SBB](#)

2.2.1 Requirements to Apply for a Train Path

States the prerequisites for being accepted as an applicant.

[ProRail](#)

[Infrabel](#)

[ACF](#)

[RFF](#)

[SBB](#)

2.2.2 Who is allowed to Perform Freight Train Operations

States which kinds of RUs (domestic and/or foreign) or other organisations are permitted to perform train operations (freight and/or passenger).

[ProRail](#)

[Infrabel](#) (2.3.2)

[ACF](#)

[RFF](#)

[SBB](#)

2.2.3 Licences

Names the body responsible for issuing train operating licenses. Gives the contact name and address or refers to Section 1.8. If the IM issues the licenses itself, either describes or refers to the licensing process.

[ProRail](#)

[ACF](#)

[RFF](#)

[SBB](#)

2.2.4 Safety Certificate

Names the body responsible for issuing safety certificates. Gives the contact name and address, or refers to Section 1.8. If the IM issues safety certificates itself, either describes or refers to the certification process.

[ProRail](#)

[ACF](#)

[RFF](#)

[SBB](#)

2.2.5 Cover of Liabilities

Describes or refers to the relevant national legislation and states any mandatory levels of insurance.

[ProRail](#)

[Infrabel](#) (2.3.3)

[ACF](#)

[RFF](#)

[SBB](#)

2.3 General Business / Commercial Conditions

[ProRail](#)

[Infrabel](#) (2.4)

[ACF](#)

[RFF](#)

[SBB](#)

2.3.1 Framework Agreement

Gives a brief description of the role of a Framework Agreement and refers to contracts that are regarded as Framework Agreements (e.g. Track Access Agreement, Station Access Agreement, etc.). States whether the IM is permitted to enter into bilateral agreements with RUs to develop infrastructure enhancements and refers to any standard regulations, or states which other body is responsible for infrastructure enhancement. States if there is a need for a third party agreement to a framework agreement (e.g. by a regulator). Includes a model of a framework agreement, either by inserting it in Annex or by referring to a web link.

[ProRail](#)

[Infrabel](#) (2.4.1)

[ACF](#)

[RFF](#)

[SBB](#)

2.3.2 Access Contracts

States which contracts are necessary for the use of infrastructure capacity. States whether an access contract is required before applying for a train path and/or before actual operation, and if separate contracts are required for station / depot access and/or any other services. States which contracts are required to deliver the minimum access package as set out in Directive 2001/14/EC. Refers to Section 5 for details of additional and ancillary service contracts. States if any independent approval of access contracts is needed (e.g. by Regulatory Body or by Government). States if a standard form of access contract exists and whether its use is compulsory.

[ProRail](#)

[Infrabel](#) (2.4.3)

[ACF](#)

[RFF](#)

[SBB](#)

2.4 Operational Rules

States which organisation is responsible for publication of the rules (e.g. the IM, the Regulatory Body, the Ministry of Transport, etc.) Gives contact name and address, or refers to Section 1.8.

[ProRail](#)

[Infrabel](#) (2.5)

[ACF](#)

[RFF](#)

[SBB](#)

2.5 Exceptional Transports

Refers to UIC leaflet 502 Annex 1 (article 1.3) extract from the RIV for definition of 'Exceptional Transports'. States whether the IM uses the UIC definition or not. States which body is in charge of the rules for exceptional transports and gives the contact name and address, or refers to Section 1.8. Refers to Section 4.7 for the capacity allocation process and Section 5 for details of other services provided by the IM.

[ProRail](#)

[Infrabel](#) (2.6)

[ACF](#)

[RFF](#)

[SBB](#)

2.6 Dangerous Goods

States whether or not the IM uses the RID regulations and if there are any exceptions. Refers to any national regulations for dangerous goods and gives the contact name and address (or refers to Section 1.8) for applications to move dangerous goods.

[ProRail](#)

[Infrabel](#) (2.7)

[ACF](#)

[RFF](#)

[SBB](#)

2.7 Rolling Stock Acceptance Process Guidelines

States which organisations are in charge of the process and gives the contact names and addresses, or refers to Section 1.8. Describes the main stages in the process, the required information, the timetable for completion of the process and any relevant documentation. If the IM is not in charge of the Rolling Stock Process, then just provides the possible amount of information.

[ProRail](#)

[Infrabel](#) (2.8)

[ACF](#)

[RFF](#)

[SBB](#)

2.8 Staff Acceptance Process

This provision covers operations staff, e.g. drivers, conductors, shunters. States which organisations are in charge of the process and gives the contact names and addresses, or refers to Section 1.8. Describes the main stages in the process, the required information, the timetable for completion of the process and any relevant documentation. If the IM is not in charge of the Staff Acceptance Process, then just provides the possible amount of information.

[ProRail](#)

[Infrabel](#) (2.9)

[ACF](#)

[RFF](#)

[SBB](#)

3. Infrastructure

All the information in Chapter 3 is provided by the individual IM according to availability and relevance of the data.

[ProRail](#)

[Infrabel](#)

[ACF](#)

[RFF](#)

[SBB](#)

3.1 Introduction

States the general validity of the information provided, especially referring to possible changes of infrastructure characteristics or constraints.

[ProRail](#)

[Infrabel](#)

[ACF](#)

[RFF](#)

[SBB](#)

3.2 Extent of Network

States the geographic limits of the IM's infrastructure and indicates any lines not available for normal railway traffic operations.

Refers to neighbouring IMs, including other national networks, and lists all international border crossings. Refers to Section 3.6 for details of private sidings and private freight terminals.

[ProRail](#)

[Infrabel](#)

[ACF](#)

[RFF](#)

[SBB](#)

3.3 Network Description

Lists available documents which provide detailed infrastructure data and give contact details for further information.

[ProRail](#)

[Infrabel](#)

[ACF](#)

[RFF](#)

[SBB](#)

3.3.1 Geography Identification

Gives information on track types, track gauges and stations and nodes.

[ProRail](#)

[Infrabel](#)

[ACF](#)

[RFF](#)

[SBB](#)

3.3.2 Capabilities

Provides information on loading gauges, weight limits, line gradients, line speeds, maximum train lengths and power supply.

[ProRail](#)

[Infrabel](#)

[ACF](#)

[RFF](#)

[SBB](#)

3.3.3 Traffic Control and Communication Systems

Gives a brief technical description of the traffic control system, including signalling, regulation, dispatching and communication, and provision of information on train movement.

[ProRail](#)

[Infrabel](#)

[ACF](#)

[RFF](#)

[SBB](#)

3.4 Traffic Restrictions

[ProRail](#)

[Infrabel](#)

[ACF](#)

[RFF](#)

[SBB](#)

3.4.1 Specialised infrastructure

Indicates the extent of any specialised infrastructure and describes the traffic restrictions that apply.

[ProRail](#)

[Infrabel](#)

[ACF](#)

[RFF](#)

[SBB](#)

3.4.2 Environmental Restrictions

Indicates if there are any limits on, for example, noise levels or other Environmental Restrictions.

[ProRail](#)

[Infrabel](#)

[ACF](#)

[RFF](#)

[SBB](#)

3.4.3 Dangerous Goods

Indicates if there are any line sections where Dangerous Goods are not permitted, or where permission is limited (to certain times of the day and/or to certain classes of Dangerous Goods).

[ProRail](#)

[Infrabel](#)

[ACF](#)

[RFF](#)

[SBB](#)

3.4.4 Tunnel Restrictions

Indicates if there are any tunnel restrictions, for example restrictions on the use of diesel traction.

[ProRail](#)

[Infrabel](#)

[ACF](#)

[RFF](#)

[SBB](#)

3.4.5 Bridge Restrictions

Indicates if there are any bridge restrictions, for example closure in high-wind conditions, specific opening hours etc.

[ProRail](#)

[Infrabel](#)

[ACF](#)

[RFF](#)

[SBB](#)

3.5 Availability of the Infrastructure

Provides information on traffic restrictions, for example imposed by the IM due to its own infrastructure management needs. These can include restrictions on route opening hours and times of possessions for maintenance, renewal and enhancement works.

[ProRail](#)

[Infrabel](#)

[ACF](#)

[RFF](#)

[SBB](#)

3.6 Passenger Terminals

n/a

3.7 Freight Terminals

Lists the location of freight terminals. Describes each terminal's type (intermodal or conventional, harbour etc.). States which body is in charge of (track) capacity allocation within the freight terminal. If the national IM is in charge, states if terminal capacity shall be requested as a part of the capacity allocation process (see Chapter 4) or separately.

[ProRail](#) (3.6.2)

[Infrabel](#) (3.6.2)

[ACF](#)

[RFF](#) (3.6.2)

[SBB](#)

3.8 Service Facilities

Lists the key Service Facilities that the IM offers to RUs.

[ProRail](#) (3.6.3...)

[Infrabel](#) (3.6.3...)

[RFF](#) (3.6.3...)

[SBB](#)

3.8.1 Train Formation Yards

Lists the location of train-formation yards and the maximum length of trains that can be formed in each yard. The information can include the contact point to which RUs or other interested parties shall turn in order to obtain further information concerning each yard.

[SBB](#)

3.8.2 Storage Sidings

Lists the location of storage sidings and the maximum length of trains that can be formed in each yard. The information can include the contact point to which RUs or other interested parties shall turn in order to obtain further information concerning each storage siding.

[SBB](#)

3.8.3 Maintenance Facilities

Provides the location of each facility in question and a contact point.

[SBB](#)

3.8.4 Refuelling Facilities

Lists the location of refueling facilities and the type(s) of fuel that can be provided in each place. The information can include the contact point to which RUs or other interested parties shall turn in order to obtain further information.

[SBB](#)

3.8.5 Technical Facilities

Lists the location and type of technical facility and describes its purposes. Facilities such as wheel damage detectors, red box (hot box) detectors, wagon weighbridges, loading gauge gauges and so on can be described here. The information can include the contact point to which RUs or other interested parties shall turn in order to obtain further information concerning the facilities.

[SBB](#)

3.9 Infrastructure Development

Gives any available information on the main infrastructure development projects, including timescales, the nature of the works and their impact on operational characteristics, both during the construction period and after completion.

[ProRail](#) (3.7)

[Infrabel](#) (3.7)

[RFF](#) (3.7)

[SBB](#)

4. Capacity Allocation

This information covers capacity allocation both for domestic and international traffic on all IM lines, either corridor lines or non-corridor lines. The allocation process is described, the schedule for path requests and the allocation process is given. It describes the allocation of capacity for maintenance, renewal and enhancements. It lists the non-usage/cancellation rules, the rules concerning exceptional transports and dangerous goods and the special measures to be taken in the event of disturbances. The allocation principles for the capacity of service facilities are presented, in case these are managed by the IM.

[ProRail](#)

[Infrabel](#)

[ACF](#)

[RFF](#)

[SBB](#)

5. Services

[ProRail](#)

[Infrabel](#)

[ACF](#)

[RFF](#)

[SBB](#)

5.1 Introduction

Refers to the four different groups of services listed in Annex II Directive 2001/14/EC and states whether the IM supplies any services in addition to these.

[ProRail](#)

[Infrabel](#)

[ACF](#)

[RFF](#)

[SBB](#)

5.2 Minimum Access Package

[ProRail](#)

[Infrabel](#)

[ACF](#)

[RFF](#)

[SBB](#)

5.3 Access to Services Facilities and supply of services

Product definition – including track access conditions and usage conditions for each of the services listed, also stating whether services are delivered by the IM, or by other suppliers, who must be referred to 'Infrastructure'.

[ProRail](#)

[Infrabel](#)

[ACF](#)

[RFF](#)

[SBB](#)

5.3.1 Access to service facilities

[ProRail](#)

[ACF](#)

[SBB](#)

5.3.2 Sidings

[ProRail](#)

[ACF](#)

[SBB](#)

5.3.3 Maintenance and other technical facilities

[SBB](#)

5.4 Additional Services

Product definition – including usage conditions for each of the services listed, also stating if services are delivered by IM, or by other suppliers, who may be referred to.

[ProRail](#)

[Infrabel](#)

[ACF](#)

[RFF](#) (5.3.2 + 5.4)

[SBB](#)

5.4.1 Traction Current

[ProRail](#)

[Infrabel](#)

[ACF](#)

[SBB](#)

5.4.2 Heating and air-conditioning of rolling stock

[ProRail](#)

[ACF](#)

[SBB](#)

5.4.3 Services for exceptional transports and dangerous goods

[ProRail](#)

[ACF](#)

[SBB](#)

5.4.4 Other Additional Services

[ACF](#)

[SBB](#)

5.4.5 Services for Exceptional Transports and Dangerous Goods

[SBB](#)

5.4.6 ... Other Additional Services

[SBB](#)

5.5 Ancillary Services

Product definition – including usage conditions for each of the services listed, also stating if services are delivered by IM, or by other suppliers, who may be referred to.

[ProRail](#)

[ACF](#)

[Infrabel](#)

[RFF](#) (services provided by service infrastructure managers other than RFF)

[SBB](#)

6. Charges

[ProRail](#)

[Infrabel](#)

[ACF](#)

[RFF](#)

[SBB](#)

6.1 Charging Principles

What is the basis for the IM's charges? Marginal cost, full costs, mark-ups, are there exceptions to the principles etc? States to what extent Directive 2001/14/EC Articles 7.4 (scarcity charges), 7.5 (environmental charges), 9 (discounts), 10 (compensation) and 12 (reservation charges) are applicable.

[ProRail \(6.2\)](#)

[Infrabel](#)

[ACF](#)

[RFF](#)

[SBB](#)

6.1.1 Minimum Access Package

[Infrabel](#)

[ACF](#)

6.1.2 Track Access to Facilities referred to in 5.3.1

[Infrabel](#)

[ACF](#)

6.1.3 Services referred to in 5.3.2

[Infrabel](#)

[ACF](#)

6.1.4 Additional Services

[Infrabel](#)

[ACF](#)

6.1.5 Ancillary Services

[Infrabel](#)

6.2 Charging system

Describes how the components of the system work together.

[Infrabel](#)

[ACF](#)

[SBB](#)

6.3 Tariffs

Charging information for train paths and any other services supplied by the IM including discounts, compensation schemes and reservation charges.

[ProRail](#)

[Infrabel](#)

[ACF](#)

[RFF](#) (6.2)

[SBB](#) (6.4)

6.3.1 Minimum Access Package

[ProRail](#)

[Infrabel](#)

[ACF](#)

6.3.2 Track Access to Services Facilities

States if track access is included in the minimum access package or charged for separately.

[ProRail](#)

[Infrabel](#)

[ACF](#)

6.3.3 Services supplied at service infrastructures

[ProRail](#)

[Infrabel](#)

[ACF](#)

6.3.4 Additional Services

[ProRail](#)

[Infrabel](#)

[ACF](#)

6.3.5 Ancillary Services

[ProRail](#)

[Infrabel](#)

6.4 Performance Scheme

According to Directive 2001/14/EC Article 11.

[ProRail \(6.5\)](#)

[Infrabel](#)

[ACF \(6.5\)](#)

[RFF](#)

6.5 Changes to Charges

Planned changes. Statements about guarantying the charges for the whole timetable year. And if not, how and when the RUs will get the information or how changes are going to be decided and published.

[ProRail \(6.6\)](#)

[Infrabel](#)

[ACF \(6.6\)](#)

[RFF](#)

[SBB](#)

6.6 Billing Arrangements

States who bills customers for the services, the terms and conditions including non-payment etc.

[ProRail \(6.7\)](#)

[Infrabel](#)

[ACF \(6.7\)](#)

[RFF](#)

[SBB](#)