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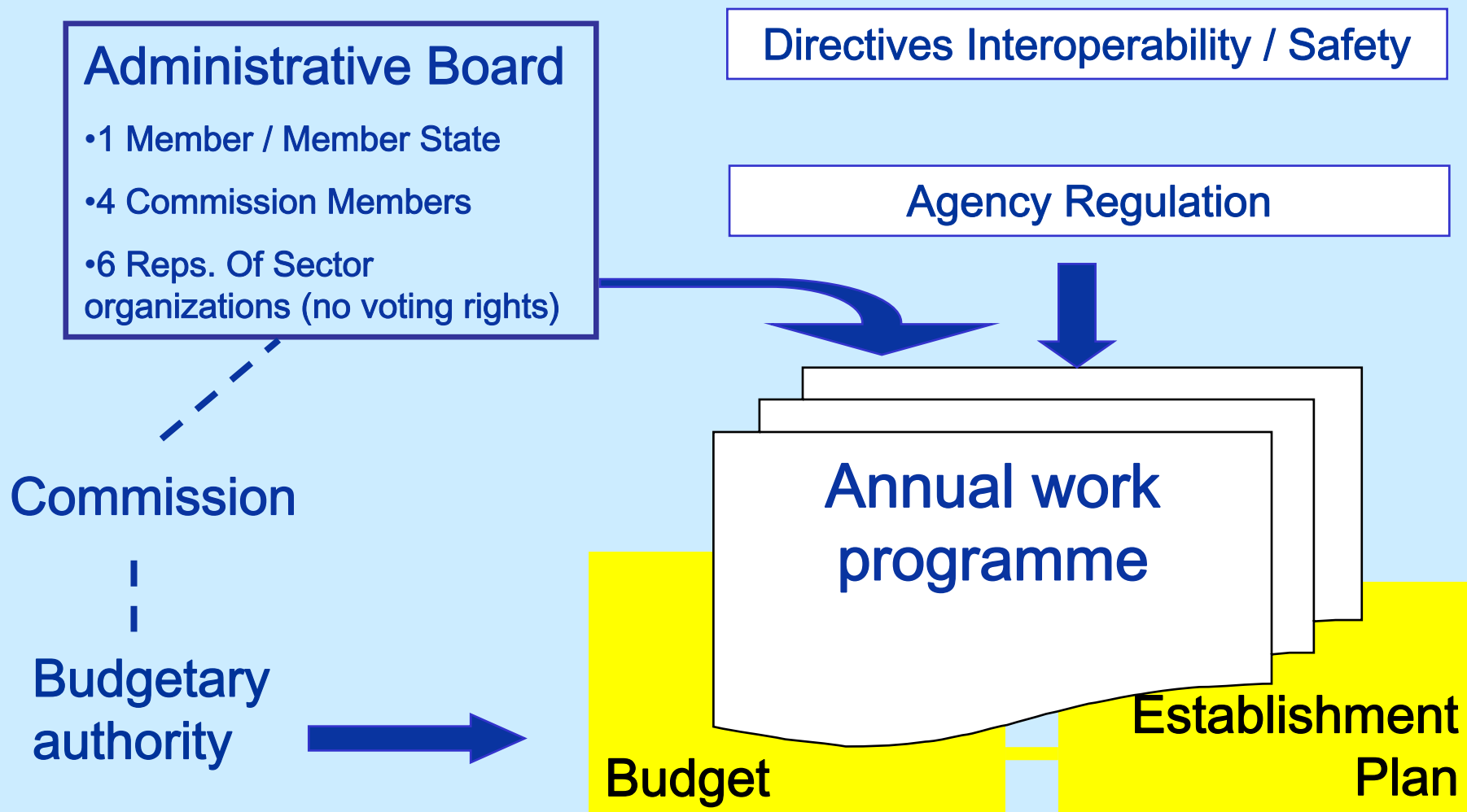


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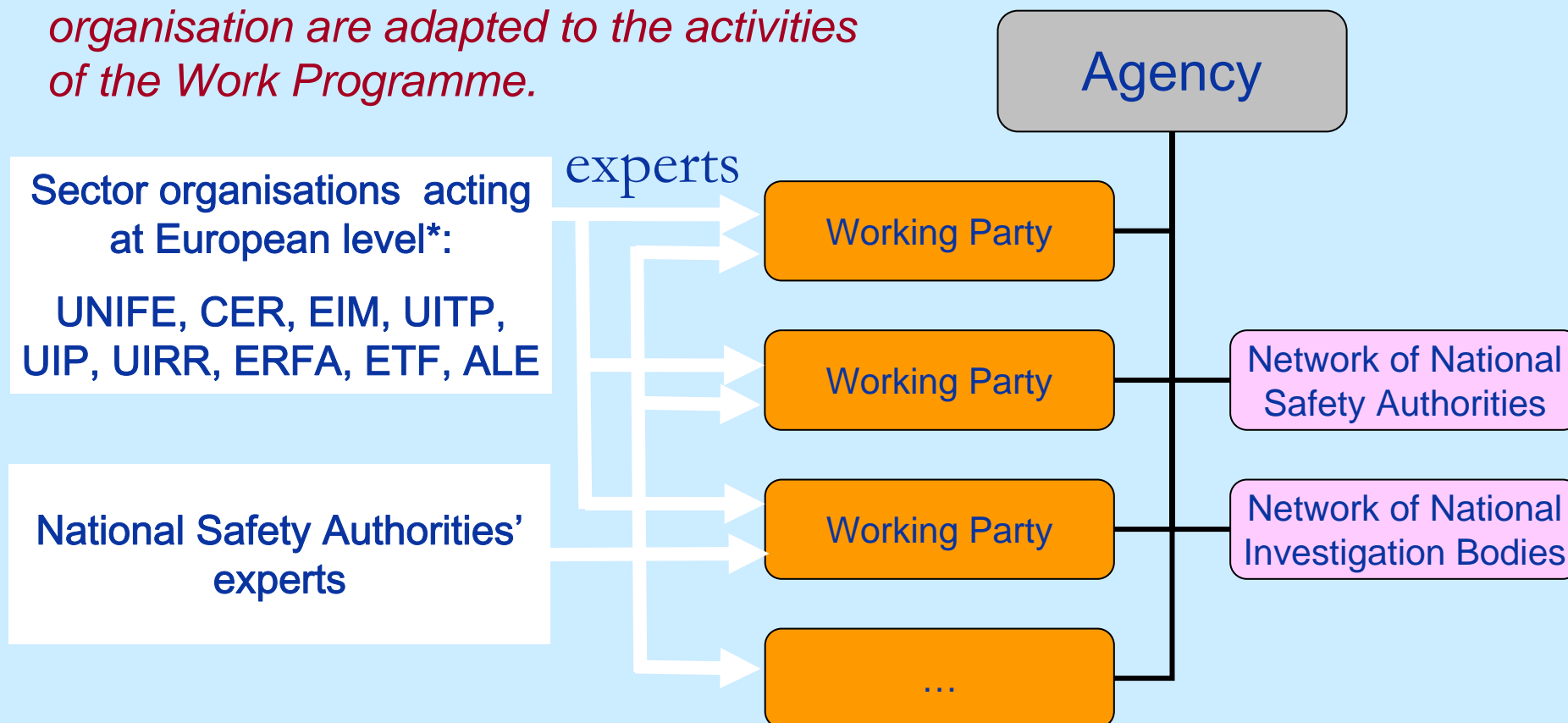


A first proposal by the Commission from
23 January 2002
in the framework of the Second Railway Package
and on 29 April 2004 adoption of
Regulation (EC) No 881/2004
establishing the European Railway Agency!



Working Parties and Networks

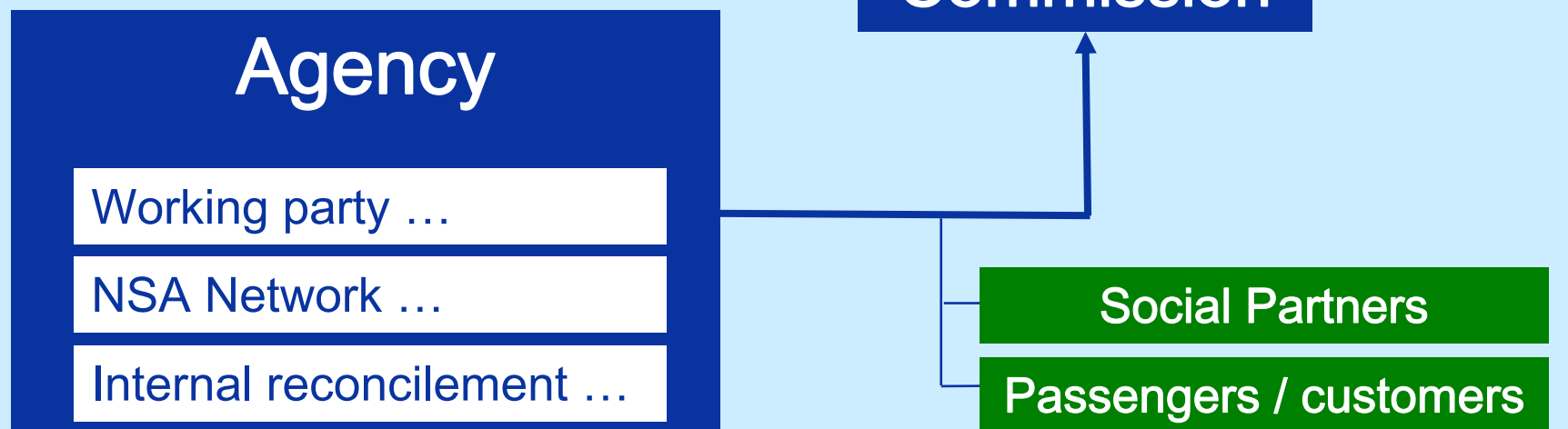
Working Parties are set up according to the Agency Regulation, and their tasks and organisation are adapted to the activities of the Work Programme.



* List established by Article 21 Committee on 22 February 2005

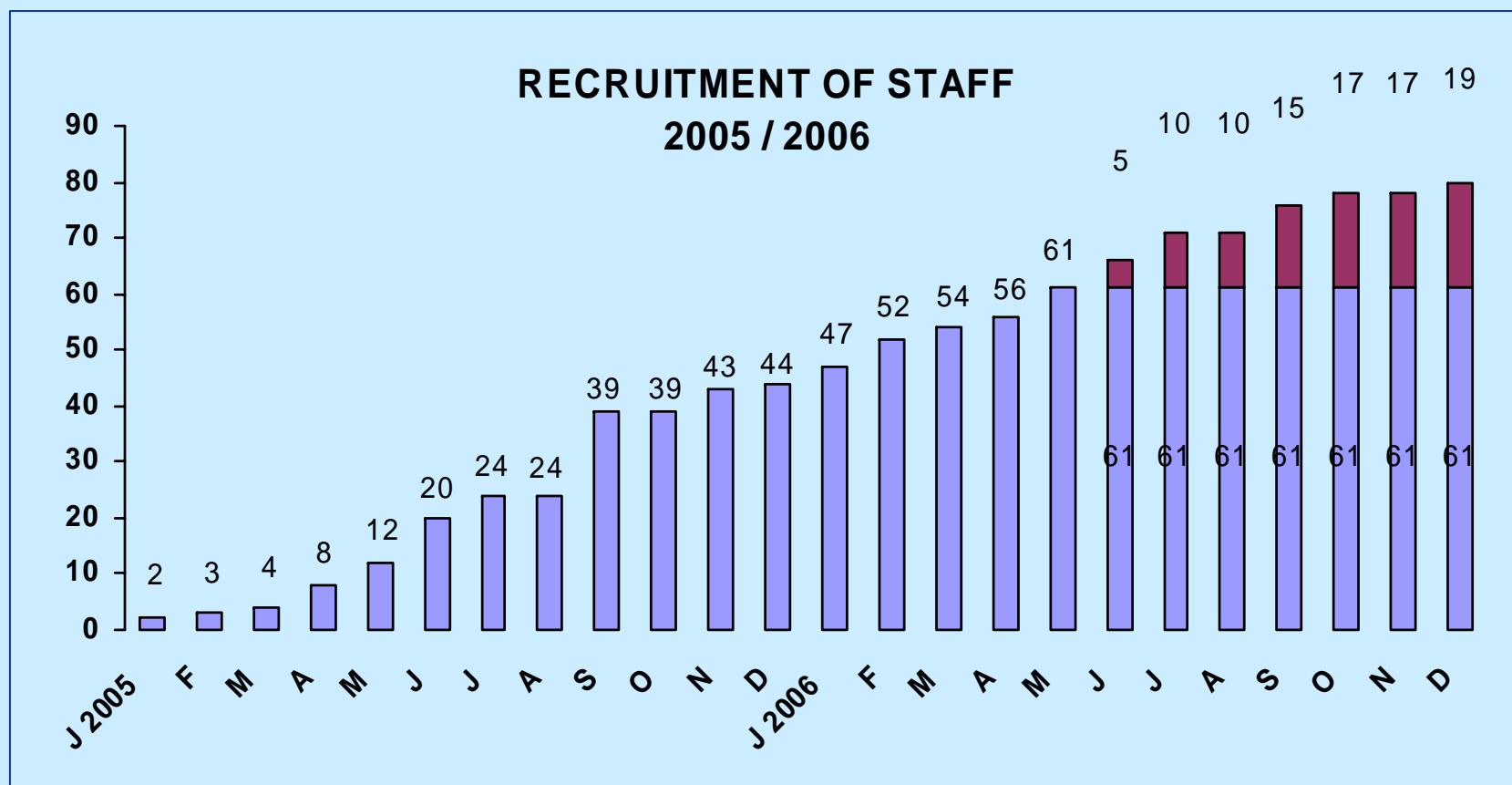
The process to decisions

*No decision power for the Agency, the Agency provides **recommendations** to the Commission and **technical opinions** upon specific request!*



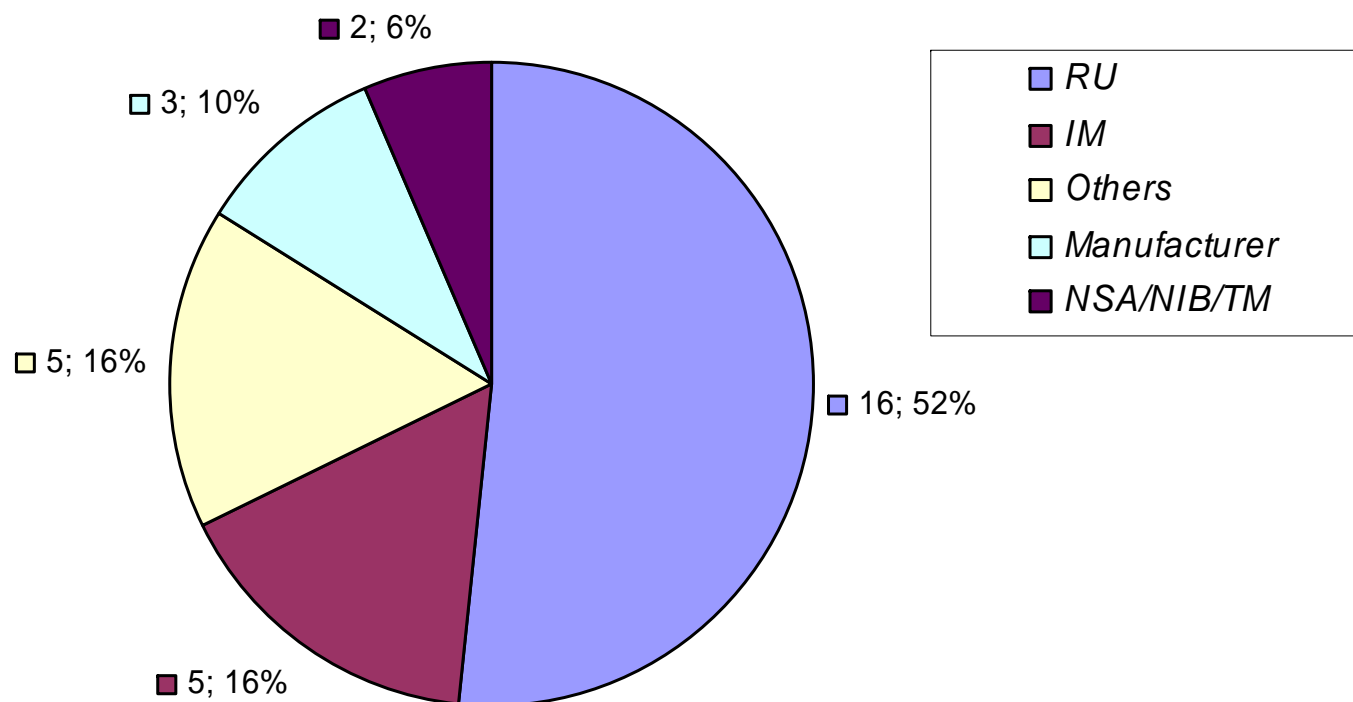
Agency Staff : buildup

- ◆ Staff coming mainly from railway sector (temporary agents, max. 5 years)
- ◆ Vacancy notices published since 18 November 2004
- ◆ Current vacancy notices on www.era.eu.int

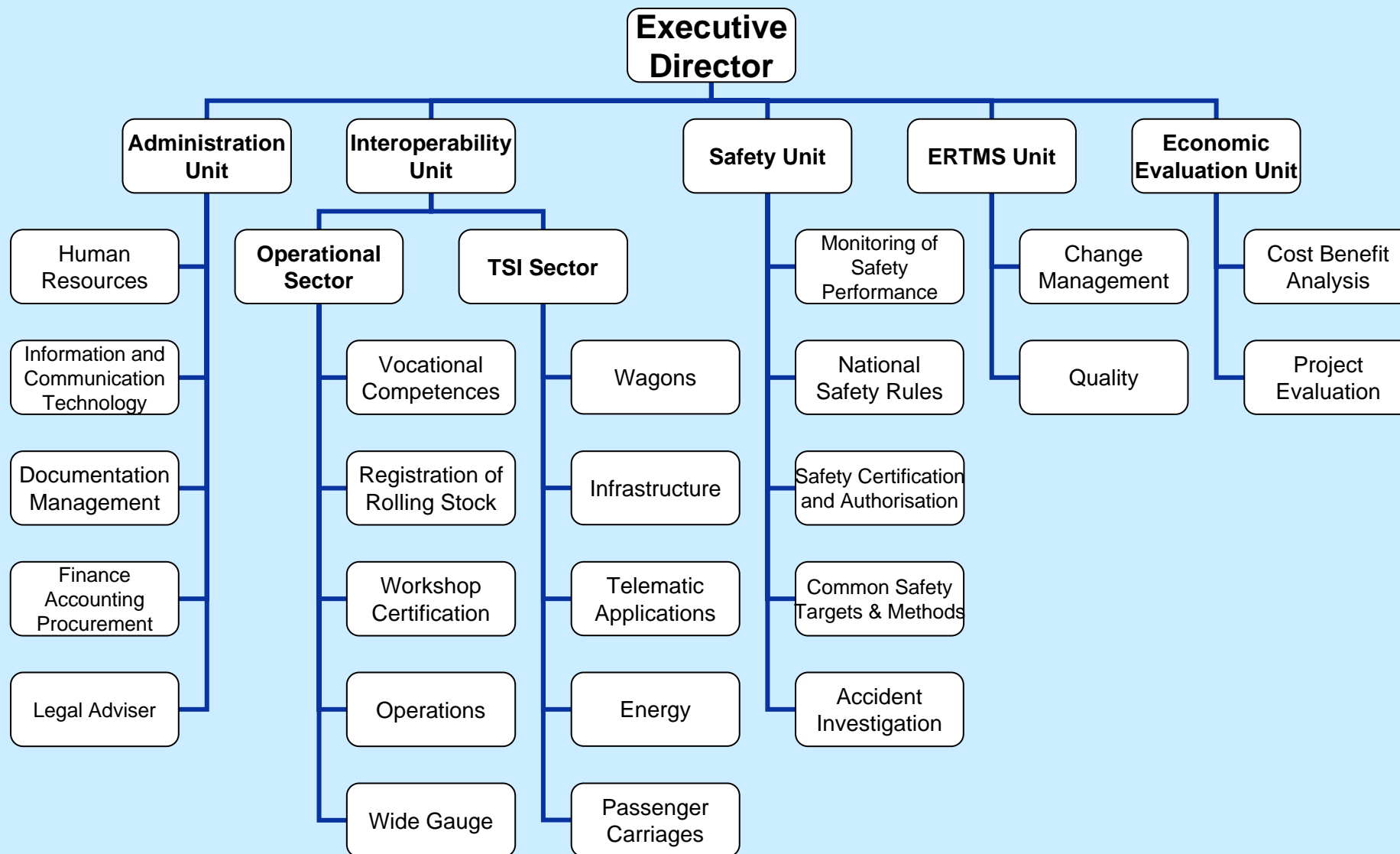


Origin of the Agency Staff

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project officers staff divided by Railway sector origin (n°;%)



Organisation chart of the Agency



Premises:

◆ Offices in Valenciennes

European Railway Agency

160, Boulevard Harpignies

BP 20932

F – 59307 Valenciennes CEDEX



◆ International meeting facilities in Lille

European Railway Agency

Espace International Lille

299, Boulevard de Leeds

F – 59777 EURALILLE

(just opposite of the station Lille Europe)

- **Mandate :**
 - Adopted November 05, notified February 06
 - Concern : Infrastructure, Energy, Locomotives and Traction units, Passenger Carriages (all for conventional rail),
Telematics Applications for Passengers
 - Relationship between 1435 and 1520/1524mm system
- **Objectives :**
 - Draft TSIs within 30 to 36 months

Certification of Maintenance Workshops

- **Legal Basis :**
 - Article 16 of Regulation 881/2004
- **Task :**
 - Develop a European system for certification of maintenance workshops for rolling stock
 - Propose a recommendations with a view to the implementation of the system
 - Precise items : structured management system, staff with necessary competences, facilities and tools, technical documentation and maintenance prescription
- **Achieved :**
 - June 2006 : first intermediate report
- **Objective :**
 - End 2007 : issue recommendation

- **Legal Basis :**
 - **Article 14-4 & 14-5 of Directive 2004/50**
- **Tasks :**
 - **Define content, data format, functional and technical architecture.**
- **Objectives :**
 - **Draft recommendation end of June 2006**
 - **IT pilot end 2006 / beginning 2007**

Agency Tasks related to Railway Safety

- ◆ Safety certificates
 - Achieved : Harmonized format (delivered 1 / 2006)
 - Commission regulation currently in the works
- ◆ Common Safety Methods for assessment of safety management systems (ongoing)
- ◆ Common Safety Methods for risk assessment & safety approvals
 - Objective : 1st set of CSMs by end of 2007
- ◆ Common Safety Targets
 - Objective : 1st set of CSTs by end of 2008
- ◆ Networks of **National Safety Authorities** and **National Investigation Bodies** have been set up
- ◆ Public database of safety documents
 - Objective : in service by 3rd quarter 2006, with progressive data buildup

Safety, Security and Safety-at-Work

The Agency deals **only with technical and operational safety!**

Technical and operational Safety:

Safety of passengers and third parties
during normal operation and degraded situations

Security:

Personal security (Personenschutz)
Security services (Objektschutz)

Safety at work (occupational health and safety):

Safety of employees and contractors during operation
and on work sites to avoid accidents and health disease

ERTMS = European Railway Traffic Management System

- ◆ Change Control Management
 - ◆ Achieved : procedure referred to by CCS TSIs, chapter 7
 - ◆ Achieved : 3 Working Parties are active
- ◆ Proactive release planning
 - ◆ Achieved : draft planning
 - ◆ Objective : consolidated planning, after checking feasibility and resources
- ◆ Cooperation with National Safety Authorities
 - ◆ Installed : Focus Group on ERTMS
 - ◆ Objective : Obtain NSA endorsement to Agency recommendations, especially : **improved cross-acceptance**
- ◆ Cooperation with NB-Rail
 - ◆ Cross-attendance in meetings, document exchange

Tasks related to Economic Evaluation

- ◆ General : transition from AEIF ; coordination with other bodies (EIB, ...)
- ◆ Methodology
 - ◆ Achieved : draft economic evaluation guidelines
 - ◆ Objective : approval of guidelines by Art. 21 Committee, end of 2006
- ◆ Safety
 - ◆ Achieved : applied guidelines for assessment of CSTs
- ◆ Interoperability
 - ◆ Ongoing : selection of basic parameters, selection of interoperability constituents, contributions to intermediate reports
 - ◆ Objective : applied guidelines for evaluation by 2nd half of 2006
- ◆ ERTMS
 - ◆ Achieved :
 - ◆ Applied guidelines for Change Request management
 - ◆ Applied guidelines for System Version management
 - ◆ Several Change Request evaluations
 - ◆ Objective :
 - ◆ Evaluation of next ERTMS “baseline”, 2nd half of 2006

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