

The Railway Safety Directive

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A system approach

- > Safety directive deals with system aspects
 - ✓ Role and responsibilities of the actors, regulatory structure, safety levels and methods
- Interoperability directives deal with subsystem aspects
 - ✓ Rolling stock, operational rules, staff requirements, signalling, infrastructure, etc.



Directive n° 2004/49/EC on railway safety

- > The safety regulatory structure
- >A common approach to safety
- >Transparency in safety regulation
- ➤ Investigation of accidents and incidents



The regulatory structure

- Establishing authorities for regulation and supervision of safety
- > Defining role and responsibilities of the actors
 - **✓** Infrastructure managers
 - **✓** Railway undertakings
- > Publication of national rules for safety certification





Safety authority tasks

- ➤ Market surveillance and authorisations of placing in service under the interoperability directives
- > Safety certification of IM and RUs
- > Developing/enforcing safety rules
- > Vehicle Registration
- > Cooperation with other NSA



A common approach to safety

- ➤ Common Safety Indicators(CSI), Common Safety Methods (CSM), Common Safety Targets (CST)
- > New provisions for safety certification
 - ✓ a Community valid part: the SMS
 - ✓ a national part, but harmonisation of requirements by 2009
- ✓ Requirements on Safety Management Systems (SMS)



Safety certification of RUs and IMs

SAFETY DIRECTIVE



SAFETY CERTIFICATE



SMS EU Validity



STAFF



ROLLING STOCK MS Validity

No rules

National rules or international rules

EU rules (« CE », ...)



Common Safety Indicators

- > Not defined but explicately listed in Annex I
- **Example:**
- Total and relative (to train kilometres) number of accidents and a break-down on the following types of accidents:
 - ✓ collisions of trains, including collisions with obstacles within the clearance gauge,
 - ✓ derailments of trains,
 - ✓ level-crossing accidents, including accidents involving pedestrians at level-crossings,





Common Safety Targets

means the safety levels that must at least be reached by different parts of the rail system (such as the conventional rail system, the high speed rail system, long railway tunnels or lines solely used for freight transport) and by the system as a whole, expressed in risk acceptance criteria;

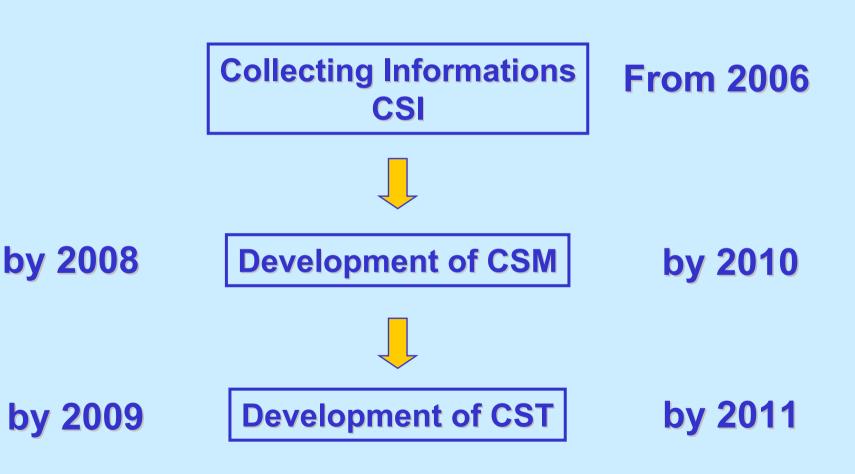


Common Safety Methods

means the methods to be developed to describe how safety levels and achievement of safety targets and compliance with other safety requirements are assessed;



From CSI to CST





Transparency

- > Publication of national rules by 1st of May 2005
- > Rules for decision making by safety authorities
- > Availability of information
 - ✓ Common safety indicators (CSI)
 - ✓ Data on accidents and incidents
- > Annual reports with data on the development of railway safety





Accident investigation

- > Safety investigation of significant occurrences
 - ✓ Serious accidents
 - **✓** Other important incidents
- > Creation of permanent, independent, bodies for accident investigation
- > Investigation procedure
- > Availability and exchange of information
- > Follow-up of safety recommendations



Support from Agency

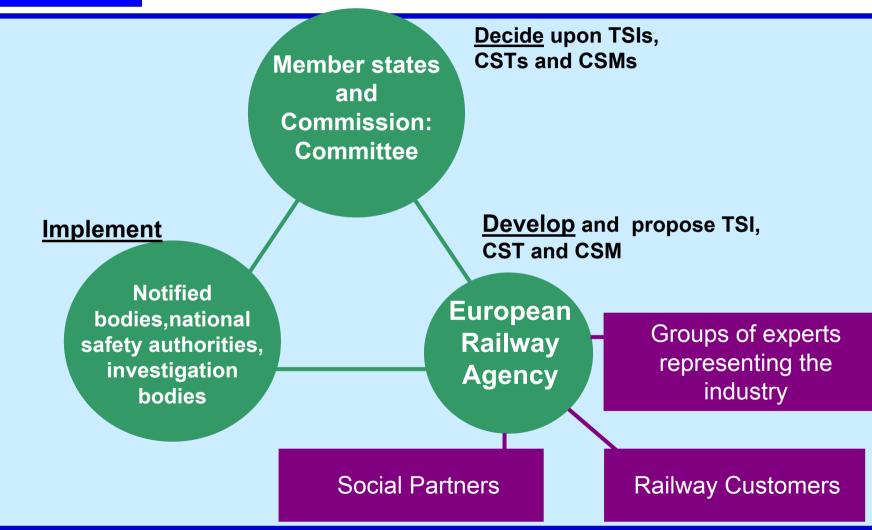
- > Development of CST and CSM
- **Revision of CSI**
- > Migration strategy for safety rules
- > Harmonisation of safety certificates
- European norm/guidelines for safety management systems
- **Coordination of national bodies**
- ➤ Databases for safety certificates, accidents, safety indicators and recommendations

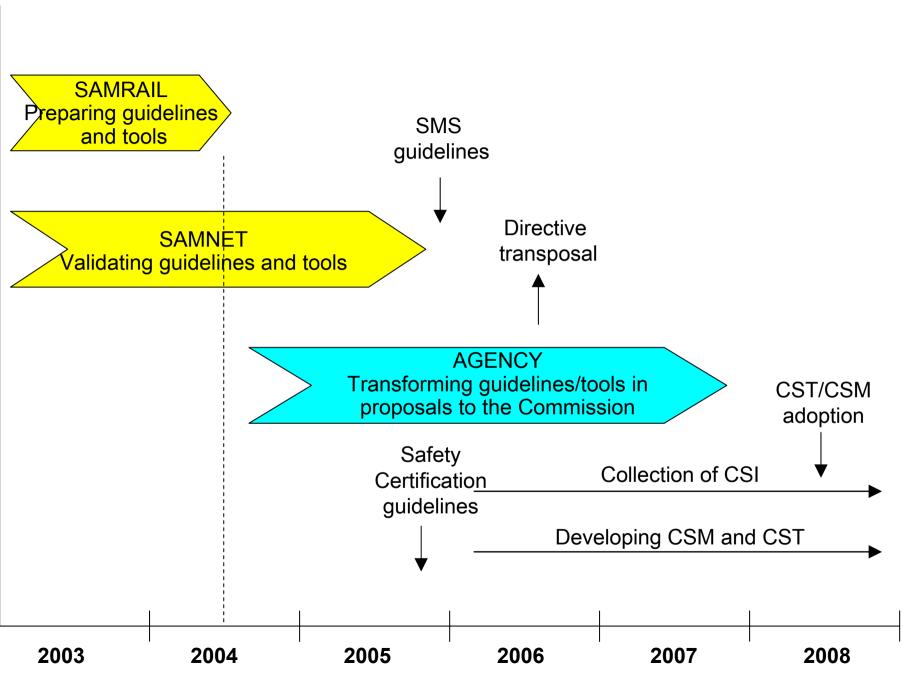




European Commission

The second railway package and the decision-making procedure

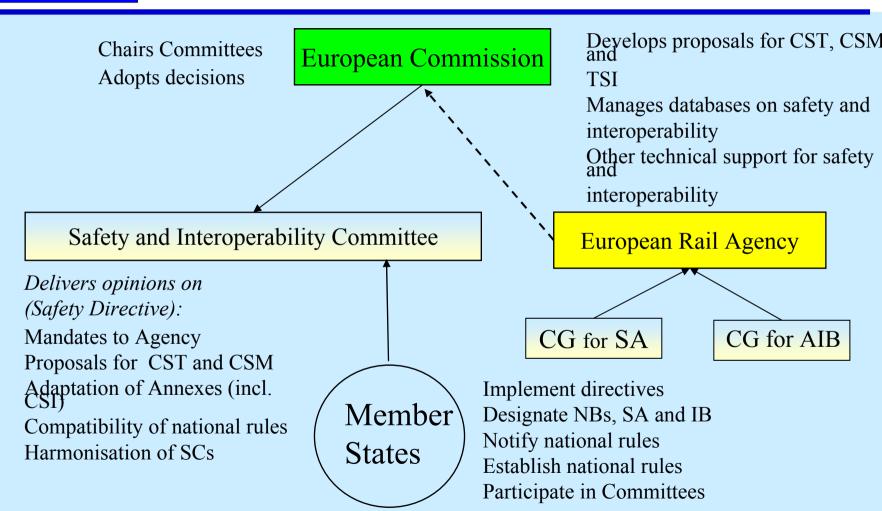






European Commission

Role of actors





Impact For Member states

- > Article 8(2): publication of national rules by 1st of May 2005
- > Article 10: certification of RUs and information to Agency on safety certificates
- > Article 11: autorisation of IM
- > Article 12(3): guidance documents for RU
- > Article 16(1): establish Safety Autority
- > Article 21(1): establish permanent accident investigating body
- > Article 33: implementation in national law by 1 june 2006



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