

Form according to Article 4 of the Commission Implementing Regulation (EU)  
No 2018/1795 laying down procedure and criteria for the application of the economic  
equilibrium test

**Notification of a planned new rail passenger service**

**Remarks:**

- I. Information regarding the operation of the planned new rail passenger service has to refer **at least to the first three years**, if possible **to the first five years of operation**.
- II. The notification of the planned new rail passenger service will — except for commercially sensitive information — immediately **be published on the website [www.schienecontrol.gv.at](http://www.schienecontrol.gv.at)**. If applicants do not want commercially sensitive information to be published, they have to justify this within the notification. Information according to this standard notification form shall not be considered commercially sensitive.
- III. The form including additional documents has to be transmitted to [office@schienecontrol.gv.at](mailto:office@schienecontrol.gv.at).

1. Applicant:

- a. Name: **Europe Express (EEX)**
- b. Address: **2, allée de la tramontane, 30133 LES ANGLES, France**
- c. Legal entity: .....
- d. Registration number (if appropriate): .....

2. Contact data of person responsible for queries:

- a. Name: **Julien GAUDREMEAU**
- b. Function: **director of railways operations**
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3. Indications about the licence according to Article 16 ff Directive 2012/34/EU and the safety certificate regarding Directive 2004/49/EG:

a. The new rail passenger service will be operated by  **the applicant.**

another operator.

(Please mark appropriate box.)

b. The operator of the planned new rail passenger service has

**a licence according to Article 16 ff Directive 2012/34/EU.**

a safety certificate according to Directive 2004/49/EG.

(Please mark appropriate box.)

Both the licence according to Article 16 ff Directive 2012/34/EU as well as the safety certificate according to Directive 2004/49/EG have to be attached.

c. If the operator either does not have a licence according to Article 16 ff Directive 2012/34/EU or a safety certificate according to Directive 2004/49/EG, he is asked to indicate the status of the obtaining procedure.

**EEX already has a European rail licence and a French safety certificate. EEX will apply to the ERA in June 2024 (submission of the file to the OSS) to obtain the safety certificate in Austria before the end of 2024.**

4. Indications regarding the planned new rail passenger service:

a. Detailed route including location of departure and destination stations as well as intermediate stops:

**The New Orient Express (owned by the Accor group and operated by Europe Express) is a new luxury cruise train which will offer 35 to 45 journeys a year across Europe. The legendary route will be from Paris to Istanbul, but smaller itineraries will also be produced (loop from Paris to Paris via Germany, Austria and Italy).**

**The train is made up of historic carriages (from the 20s and 40s) from the Compagnie Internationale des Wagons Lits which are currently being renovated in a Italian factory. Europe Express is a French RU (European licence obtained in May 2023), which will also become a RU in Germany, Austria, Switzerland and Italy before the end of 2025).Europe Express also**

operates a cruise train in France which will start in 2025. The new Orient Express train will enter service in 2026.

In Austria, two stops will be made: one in the Tyrol (station to be determined between Kufstein, Jenbach or Innsbruck) and one at Wien Westbahnhof.

b. Planned starting date for the operation of the proposed new service:

January 2026 for trial trains, April 2026 for commercial trains

c. indicative timing, frequency and capacity of the proposed new rail passenger service, including proposed departure times, arrival times and connections as well as any deviations in frequency or in stops from the standard timetable, in each direction:

All journeys will arrive on the second day in the morning in Tyrol (3-hour stopover, 9.00am - 12.00pm) and in the evening in Vienna (5-hour stopover, 6.00pm - 11.00pm).

No new passengers in Austria. All passengers buy a ticket for the Paris-Paris loop.

d. indicative information on the rolling stock the applicant plans to use:

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Locomotives: 2 Bombardier Traxx (push-pull system) homologated in France – Germany – Austria – Switzerland and Italy.

Coaches: 11 (first step) 18 (second step) historical coaches from compagnie Internationale des wagons lits. These coaches will be homologated for all the European countries. Around 66 passengers per train (with the 18 coaches) and 30 staff members.

Paris

Place

01.V.2024

Date



Signature