

Fixed Installations and Rolling Stock Unit (FIRST):

The Fixed Installations and Rolling Stock (FIRST) Unit enables the Agency to fulfil its duty in the fields of Infrastructure, Energy, Locomotives & Passenger Carriages, Wagon, Safety in Railway Tunnels, Noise and Persons with Reduced Mobility.

In particular, the Unit is in charge of:

- › The maintenance of the [Technical Specifications for Interoperability](#) (TSIs) for the subsystems under its responsibility that define the mandatory requirements for ensuring the interoperability of the railway system of the European Union;
- › The management of the [National Technical rules](#) for ensuring that the national legislations are in line with the essential requirements for the railway system and with the harmonised requirements contained in the EU legislations;
- › Providing support to the Notified conformity assessment bodies and the European Standards Organisations for the development of supplementary documents (European Standards, Questions and Clarifications) linked to the TSIs scope.

The core competences in FIRST Unit are also contributing to other Agency's activities, notably related to Vehicle Authorisation, dissemination and research.