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## Joint Supporting Letter for the Implementation of the European Rail Facilities Portal

Dear European Service Facility Operators,

We would like to inform you that the European Rail Facilities Portal (RFP) has recently been taken over by RNE and the operation / portal management is now carried out jointly with UIRR.

We would like to take the opportunity to share our support of the objectives of RFP project. Undersigned associations are members of the Governance and Technical Control Boards of the RFP and are closely involved in further development of the project. In particular, in our view:

- In case of broad usage by service facility operators, in the coming years the RFP may become an **important source of information** allowing to identify relevant SFs for the planning of rail transport services.
- **Digitalisation** of SF information is an important step to ensure further simplification and efficiency.
- **Standardised** way of providing information by using predefined, common data fields for relevant SF information can facilitate the searching for information about SFs in various countries Europe-wide.

We would like to inform you that RFP can be accessed at the following webpage: <https://railfacilitiesportal.eu>.

Additionally, we confirm that we are committed to continue supporting the further development of the RFP via the Technical Control Board and the Governance Board by actively participating in them and contributing with our input.

Yours sincerely,



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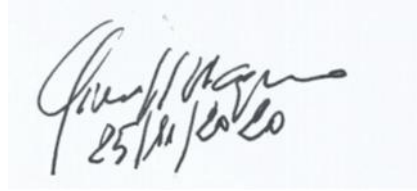
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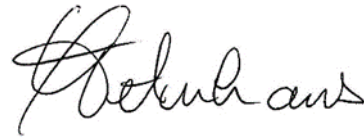


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