



## Questions & Answers

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Acronyms	Abbreviation
Shift2Rail Joint Undertaking	S2R JU
Linked Third Party	LTP
Call for S2R JU members	CFM
Open Call	OC
H2020 Annotated Model Grant Agreement <a href="http://ec.europa.eu/research/participants/data/ref/h2020/grants_manual/amga/h2020-amga_en.pdf">http://ec.europa.eu/research/participants/data/ref/h2020/grants_manual/amga/h2020-amga_en.pdf</a>	AGA
S2R JU Model Grant Agreement <a href="http://ec.europa.eu/research/participants/data/ref/h2020/other/mga/jtis/h2020-mga-multi-shift2rail-ju_en.pdf">http://ec.europa.eu/research/participants/data/ref/h2020/other/mga/jtis/h2020-mga-multi-shift2rail-ju_en.pdf</a>	MGA
Grant Agreement Preparation	GAP
Grant Agreement	GA
Consortium Agreement	CA
S2R JU Annual Work Plan and Budget for 2020 <a href="https://shift2rail.org/about-shift2rail/reference-documents/annual-work-plan-and-budget/">https://shift2rail.org/about-shift2rail/reference-documents/annual-work-plan-and-budget/</a>	S2R AWP 2020
Regulation (EU) No 1290/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 11 December 2013 laying down the rules for participation and dissemination in "Horizon 2020 – the Framework Programme for Research and Innovation (2014-2020)" and repealing Regulation (EC) No 1906/2006 (OJ L 347, 20.12.2013, p.81)  <a href="http://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/?uri=uriserv:OJ.L_.2013.347.01.0104.01.ENG">http://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/?uri=uriserv:OJ.L_.2013.347.01.0104.01.ENG</a>	H2020 Rules of participation
Regulation (EU) No 1291/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 11 December establishing Horizon 2020 – the Framework Programme for Research and Innovation (2014-2020) and repealing Decision No 1982/2006/EC (OJ L 347, 20.12.2013, p.104)  <a href="http://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/?uri=uriserv:OJ.L_.2013.347.01.0104.01.ENG">http://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/?uri=uriserv:OJ.L_.2013.347.01.0104.01.ENG</a>	H2020 framework Regulation
Council Regulation (EU) No 642/2014 of 16 June 2014 establishing the Shift2Rail Joint Undertaking (OJ L 177, 17.6.2014, p. 9)  <a href="http://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/?uri=uriserv:OJ.L_.2014.177.01.0009.01.ENG">http://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/?uri=uriserv:OJ.L_.2014.177.01.0009.01.ENG</a>	S2R Regulation

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Q	Topic	S2R Answer
1	Where can I find a list of S2R JU projects?	The list of all S2R JU projects is available on the S2R website at: <a href="https://projects.shift2rail.org/s2r_projects.aspx">https://projects.shift2rail.org/s2r_projects.aspx</a>
2	I am a non-member of S2R JU, can I participate in a CFM?	<p>According to the eligibility criteria listed in the S2R AWP 2020 (section 2.3.4 Standard eligibility conditions), only JU members (founding and associated) and their affiliates can be beneficiaries in the topics that are labelled as "CFM" (Calls for members) in the S2R call 2020.</p> <p>In line with the distinction between different types of calls for proposals, presented in Section 2.2.4 of the AWP, the JU will distinguish between two types of calls for proposals with specific eligibility conditions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- competitive calls for proposals, which, pursuant to Article 9.5 of Horizon 2020 Rules for Participation and Article 17.1(a) and (b) of S2R JU Statutes, will restrict the type of beneficiary to JU Members (founding and associated), and their affiliated entities. In the case of Members in the form of consortia or groupings of legal entities, the individual constituent entities of these consortia or groupings, and the affiliated entities of these individual constituent entities, are eligible to participate in the restricted calls for JU Members;</li> <li>- open, competitive calls for proposals which, pursuant to Article 9.5 of Horizon 2020 Rules for participation, will be addressed only to entities that are not Members of the S2R JU (founding or associated), nor constituent entities of Members in the form of consortia or groupings, nor affiliated entities either to the S2R JU Members or to the constituent entities of Members in the form of consortia or groupings.</li> </ul> <p>Therefore, a non-JU member cannot participate directly or as part of the consortium submitting a proposal to the call which requires JU's membership as eligibility criteria.</p> <p>Nevertheless, a non-JU member has the possibility to indirectly participate in call for members, if linked with a participating member as:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Third party with a legal link with the beneficiary (Linked Third Party),</li> <li>- Subcontractor.</li> </ul> <p>In both cases, the provisions of H2020 Rules for Participations and of the H2020 MGA on subcontracting and on linked third parties must be complied with. For more information about this point, please refer to the next question n° 3.</p>

		<p>You can find the list of the S2R JU Members here: <a href="https://shift2rail.org/about-shift2rail/ju-members/">https://shift2rail.org/about-shift2rail/ju-members/</a></p>
<p>3</p>	<p>What is the difference between participation as subcontractor and participation as Linked Third Party(LTP)?</p>	<p>The differences between subcontractors and LTPs are explained below:</p> <p>1. Subcontractors (Article 13 of the MGA): The beneficiaries have a contractual link with subcontractors, having as their object the implementation of specific action tasks. Please note that subcontractors can carry out only limited parts of the action. Subcontracts are based on business conditions, which means that the subcontractor charges a price which usually includes a profit.</p> <p>The eligible costs are the prices charged to the beneficiary by the subcontractors (usually containing a profit margin for the subcontractors but not for the beneficiary).</p> <p>The beneficiary must award the subcontracts on the basis of best value for money (or lowest price) and absence of conflict of interests.</p> <p>2. LTPs ( Article 14 of the MGA): The beneficiaries must have a “legal link” or a “capital link” with the LTPs.</p> <p>‘Entities with a legal link’ refer to an established relationship (between the third party and the beneficiary), which is:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1) broad and not specifically created for the work in the Grant Agreement (GA) - Accordingly, its duration must go beyond the action duration and it usually pre-dates and outlasts the GA. Ad hoc collaboration agreements or contracts to carry out work in the action are NOT covered. (In this latter case, both legal entities should be beneficiaries).</li> </ol> <p>AND</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>2) a legal relationship. This may either be a legal structure (e.g. the relationship between an association and its members) or through an agreement or contract not limited to the action (e.g. a collaboration agreement for research in a particular field). If the only relation between two entities is a capital link (i.e. ownership of part of the issued share capital), the entity may only participate as a linked third party if it is an ‘affiliated entity’ (see below).</li> </ol> <p>‘Entities with a capital link’ or ‘Affiliated entities’ means:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- under the direct or indirect control of the beneficiary or</li> <li>- under the same direct or indirect control as the beneficiary or</li> <li>- directly or indirectly controlling the beneficiary.</li> </ul> <p>Affiliated entities cover not only the case of parent companies or holdings and their daughter companies or subsidiaries and vice-versa, but also the case of affiliates between themselves (e.g. entities controlled by the same entity)</p> <p>In order to be accepted as LTPs, the official document which proves the link as explained above must be provided by the beneficiary.</p> <p>Entities performing a substantial part of the work should in principle be</p>

		<p>beneficiaries, not LTPs. LTPs should only exceptionally perform a major part of the work.</p> <p>LTPs do not charge a price but declare their own costs for implementing the action tasks. The eligible costs are only the costs of the LTP, no profit is allowed (neither for the linked third party nor for the beneficiary).</p>
<p>4</p>	<p>What is the role of the coordinator? What budget can be foreseen for the coordinator?</p>	<p>The coordinator must coordinate and manage the GA, is the central contact point for the JU and represents the consortium towards the JU. Main coordination tasks are the following (Article 41.2.b) MGA:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Monitor that the action is implemented properly</li> <li>• Act as the intermediary for all communications between the beneficiaries and the JU - unless the Agreement specifies otherwise</li> <li>• Request and review any documents or information required by the JU and verify their completeness and correctness</li> </ul> <p>The coordinator must check the quality of the documents submitted by the beneficiaries, including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- reviewing the individual financial statements from each beneficiary to verify consistency with the action tasks, as well as their completeness and correctness (e.g. that the addition of the different costs declared by the beneficiary corresponds to the total amount declared, or that the 25% flat-rate for indirect costs is correctly calculated). The coordinator is not, however, obliged to verify the eligibility of these costs (under Article 6) or to request justifications. Each beneficiary remains responsible for the cost it declares (both as regards eligibility and as regards sufficient records and supporting documents to substantiate them).</li> <li>- verifying that all the requested documents are submitted by the beneficiary (e.g. the summary, the questionnaire etc.)</li> <li>- verifying that the beneficiary submits the documents in the requested format</li> <li>- verifying that the technical information submitted by a beneficiary concerns its action tasks as described in Annex 1 (and not something unrelated to the action)</li> </ul> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Submit the deliverables and reports</li> <li>• Distribute payments to the other beneficiaries, without unjustified delay</li> <li>• Inform the JU of the amounts paid to each beneficiary, if requested to do so (see Article 44.1.2)</li> </ul> <p>The coordination tasks listed in Article 41.2 can normally not be subcontracted or outsourced to a third party (including linked third parties). They cannot be carried out by other beneficiaries.</p> <p>Regarding the budget for the Coordinator, it is up to the consortium submitting a proposal to consider the appropriate budget to be assigned to the coordinator for its tasks ensuring correct execution of the the project implementation . Like all costs, in order to be eligible, these costs must comply with the eligibility conditions set out in Article 6 of the MGA.</p>

<p>5</p>	<p>How are Intellectual Property Rights (IPR) handled?</p>	<p>A successful proposal will conclude a Grant Agreement (GA) with the S2R JU, which will contain a number of standard provisions regarding IPRs. A basic distinction is made between Background (i.e. pre-existing IPR) and Results (i.e. IPR that may be created due to the action).</p> <p>Relevant IPR questions will arise throughout the lifecycle of your project: from the very first idea and conceptualisation of your project, throughout its execution, until the end and the potential exploitation and commercialization of the results. Therefore, the beneficiaries must identify and agree on what constitutes background for their action (in order to be able to give access to it), including IPR.</p> <p>Although not obligatory, beneficiaries are strongly advised to agree on background before the GA is signed, to ensure that they have access rights to what is needed for implementing the action (and then exploiting its results).</p> <p>In general the set of important documents with regard to IPR provisions are the general Rules for Participation in Horizon 2020, the MGA (articles 23a to 31) and the Consortium Agreement. While the Consortium Agreement is drafted and organised according to the Consortium preferences, its content needs to follow the provisions of the MGA and the H2020 rules, including IPR.</p> <p>The GA contains specific rules obliging to share Needed Background within the Consortium on certain conditions (see Subsection 2 and 3 as well as Article 31 of the S2R MGA). Further specifics may be included in the Consortium Agreement and, if applicable, Collaboration Agreements with complementary actions. For complementary grants, the JU has developed a specific model template for a “collaboration agreement” that could be used by the consortia with a need to collaborate, including the necessary modifications on IPR. This model should facilitate the establishment of the final agreement between the collaborating projects, but other models can be used. (<a href="https://shift2rail.org/wp-content/uploads/2017/06/S2R_Model_Coll_Agmt_Final.pdf">https://shift2rail.org/wp-content/uploads/2017/06/S2R_Model_Coll_Agmt_Final.pdf</a>) For more information on IPR, see Article 23a to 40 to the AGA</p> <p>Regarding (patentable) results, the GA encourages further exploitation and determines that results are owned by the beneficiaries. Further protection and exploitation of results (including patenting and commercialisation) is encouraged in the GA (see, i.a., Article 27).</p> <p>For more information, please find here the link towards the guide to Intellectual Property Rights in H2020: <a href="https://www.iprhelpdesk.eu/sites/default/files/documents/EU_IPR_IP-Guide.pdf">https://www.iprhelpdesk.eu/sites/default/files/documents/EU_IPR_IP-Guide.pdf</a></p>
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<p>6</p>	<p>What is the difference between the Grant Agreement and the Consortium Agreement? Is it possible to sign the Consortium agreement after the signature of the Grant Agreement?</p>	<p>The Grant Agreement (GA) is signed between the JU on the one part and the Coordinator on the other part as well as the other beneficiaries who accede to the GA by signing the Accession Form. The GA sets out the rights and obligations and the terms and conditions applicable to the grant awarded to the beneficiaries for implementing the action.</p> <p>The Consortium Agreement (CA) is signed between the beneficiaries of a GA in order to ensure a smooth and successful implementation of the project. It is purely internal; the JU is not party and has no responsibility for it. The CA sets out the internal arrangements between the members of the consortium for implementing the grant. The CA should complement the GA and must not contain any provision contrary to it.</p> <p>The CA may cover the following aspects (Article 41.3 of the MGA):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- internal organisation of the consortium;</li> <li>- management of access to the electronic exchange system;</li> <li>- distribution of EU funding;</li> <li>- additional rules on rights and obligations related to background and results</li> <li>- settlement of internal disputes;</li> <li>- liability, indemnification and confidentiality arrangements between the beneficiaries</li> </ul> <p>The CA should in principle be negotiated and concluded before the signature of the GA (i.e. each beneficiary should sign the CA before acceding to the GA).</p>
<p>7</p>	<p>We are interested to participate in the open call S2R-OC-CCA-01-2020 “Noise and Vibration Call”.</p> <p>I have the following questions:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Is there another possibility to announce one’s interest and one’s competence? Maybe similar to the pitches of the info day? I have attached two short articles for your quick information.</li> <li>2. Is it possible to make a proposal only for work-stream 1 “Ground Vibration”?</li> <li>3. This means a maximum funding of 700.000 Euro. Is it possible to make a proposal with only two partners?</li> <li>4. We think of a Swiss partner. Would this be acceptable? Germany + Switzerland (not part of the EU)?</li> </ol>	<p>Please find below the answers to your questions:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Under the EC funding and opportunities web portal you can search for partners and also indicate your topic preference and expertise. Additionally, in the web portal under each topic, there is a section entitled “Get Support”, where you can find links to your National Contact Point or Enterprise Europe network and other services. The S2R JU does not provide additional services other than the organisation of info-days.</li> <li>2. Proposals are expected to address <u>all</u> work streams as indicated in the scope description of the topic S2R-OC-CCA-01-2020 in section 4.2.10 of the S2R Annual Work Plan 2020.</li> <li>3. Taking into account that the type of action for this topic is a “Research and Innovation Action” and that no exception is provided in this respect in the AWP 2020, the minimum number of participants is at least three legal entities. Each of the three must be established in a different EU Member State or H2020 associated country. All three legal entities must be independent from each other (Article 9 of the H2020 Rules for Participation). Therefore, it is not possible to make a proposal with only two partners.</li> <li>4. Please note that Switzerland is an Associated Country to H2020. Legal entities from associated countries can participate under the same conditions as legal entities from the Member States (Article 9b) of the</li> </ol>

		<p>H2020 Rules for Participation). For your information, please note that as from 1 January 2017 Switzerland is associated to the entire H2020. This means that for all H2020 projects for which the GA is signed as from 1 January, the Swiss participants are automatically eligible for funding and may count towards the minimum number or participants required for a project. Therefore the Swiss partner can participate and in eligible for funding. However, as indicated above under point 3 two partners are not sufficient for this type of action.</p>
<p>8</p>	<p>We have a question related to topic S2R-OC-IP2-02-2020: The scope indicates a scheduling for the deliverables: M12 and M18. This seems to be not consistent with the duration of 30 months considered as appropriate by the S2R JU. Please could you clarify the required planning?</p>	<p>As indicated in the section “scope” of the topic description, the suggested scheduling is “<i>indicative</i>”, in the sense that it is provided to facilitate the complementarity with the CFM actions and it is not binding. Please also note that the consideration that the JU made that a duration of 30 months would allow the topic to be addressed properly does not mean that the project cannot perform this activity in a different timeframe, In particular, in this case, it could indeed also be shorter. It is up to the consortium to build up a proposal that can address properly the specific challenge, the scope and expected impact of this topic.</p>
<p>9</p>	<p>We would like to explore the possibility to participate and submit to a specific Open Call published in your last Annual Work Plan and Budget Document of S2R. We are interested specifically in call S2R-OC-IP4-01-2020: Supporting the implementation of the IP4 ecosystem This Call deals with multi-modal journeys and providing a seamless passenger’s experience and is derived from a previous Software Project called COHESIVE. We do have several questions regarding this particular Call:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. The descriptive wording suggests that the project should cover at Five Different Operators of various transport types including long-distance; does this means that the bidding consortium should be comprised of at least five members as partners (which will be quite cumbersome for an OC)</li> <li>2. Perhaps even if the a.m. consortium would be composed of the minimum eligible number of <u>three</u> participants, from three countries, provided that they bring in pertinent data to substantiate the demo</li> </ol>	<p>Please find below the answers to your questions:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1 As indicated in the S2R 2020 AWP, the standard eligibility conditions which apply to proposals are defined in Part C of the General Annexes to the H2020 Work Programme 2018-2020. In accordance with these conditions and taking into account that the type of action for this topic is an “Innovation Action” and that no exception is provided in this respect in the AWP 2020, the minimum number of participants is at least three legal entities, each of them must be established in a different EU Member State or H2020 associated country. All three legal entities must be independent from each other (Article 9 of the H2020 Rules for Participation). For your information, please also note the specific eligibility conditions for Open Calls for proposals. These calls are addressed only to entities that are not Members of the S2R JU (founding or associated), nor constituent entities of Members in the form of consortia or groupings, nor affiliated entities either to the S2R JU Members or to the constituent entities of Members in the form of consortia or groupings. The minimum eligibility condition of 3 legal entities established in three different member states is not linked to the fact that the call topic requires 5 operators to perform the activities. In fact, this is an operational requirement to achieve the objective of the topic that is to demonstrate the effectiveness of the Interoperability Framework through the participation of different operators.</li> <li>2 As explained above, for this specific topic, the required number of Operators refers to the participation in the demonstrations, providing the necessary data to perform it, and not to the minimum required number of participants for which point 1 above applies.</li> <li>3 Multimodal transport in the scope of this call refers to the use of different modes (or means) of transport on the same journey. As mentioned in section 1.3.4, it could include: urban</li> </ol>

	<p>from five operators</p> <p>3. How would you qualify a SW connectivity development via an advanced API linking several Rail Operators in different countries (for instance one e ticket North to South Europe ) to make a seamless journey ? Would such connectivity between several Rail Operators be qualified as Multi Modal under the terms of this Call</p> <p>4. Can you provide us specific contact details for a candidate to act as Project Coordinator for such task?</p>	<p>and regional rail, public transport including demand transport, air transport, road transport, cycling and walking, “shared services” - car sharing, bike sharing etc. Integrated e-ticketing and interoperability between different operators are also main objectives of the multimodal IP4. This solution could be considered as multimodal as long as it is integrated with other modes of transport, which would allow travellers to perform a seamless travel across Europe, including first and last mile.</p> <p>4 To find partners you can use the Partner Search function of the Funding &amp; Tenders Portal: <a href="https://ec.europa.eu/info/funding-tenders/opportunities/portal/screen/how-to-participate/partner-search">https://ec.europa.eu/info/funding-tenders/opportunities/portal/screen/how-to-participate/partner-search</a>. The function allows to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• look for organisations which received funding in the past</li> <li>• create and check partner search requests by call/topic</li> </ul> <p>You can search by keyword/geographical area/funding type, etc. to find experienced partners who are already participating in ongoing projects. Search results include complete organisation profiles with lists of funded projects and the possibility to contact representatives.</p> <p>If you have selected your area of interest via the Topic search, you may publish your offer/interest for one or more of the open/forthcoming topics of a call on the Funding &amp; Tenders Portal. All your published offers/interests will be visible on your organisation's page too.</p> <p>Moreover, current participants of the ongoing open calls can be found on the S2R JU website under the description of each IP4 project. This could also be used as a source of information for potential partners of a Consortium.</p>
<p>10</p>	<p>We have one more question about topic S2R-OC-IP4-01-2020: “Supporting the implementation of the IP4 ecosystem” that is highly tied to the ongoing COHESIVE project and is aimed to demonstrate its applicability for multi modal travel services; How does one (i.e. a potential <u>outsider contender</u> ) get access to a full material of COHESIVE ? From a quick glance in the few documents that were published and enclosed in your web site about this preceding project it is not so feasible to grasp the real operative content and use it properly to make a compliant and effective bid .We shall follow up on publication in your web site.</p>	<p>Updated information about COHESIVE and the Interoperability Framework have been uploaded to the S2R JU website:</p> <p><a href="https://shift2rail.org/research-development/ip4/">https://shift2rail.org/research-development/ip4/</a></p> <p>Moreover, public information regarding the project COHESIVE can be found in the S2R mini-web site:</p> <p><a href="https://projects.shift2rail.org/s2r_ip4_n.aspx?p=COHESIVE">https://projects.shift2rail.org/s2r_ip4_n.aspx?p=COHESIVE</a></p> <p>Any additional questions and information regarding COHESIVE or the IP4 Programme can be addressed to <a href="mailto:info-call@s2r.europa.eu">info-call@s2r.europa.eu</a></p>
<p>11</p>	<p>Please find below my question: In many of the topics, the months of submission of the deliverables are</p>	<p>We confirm that the reference to a duration of 30 months in the topics description of the H2020-S2R JU-2020 call for proposals <i>is not legally</i></p>

	<p>provided, giving normally the month for the last deliverable an idea of the estimated duration of the project. In addition to that, S2R states: <i>"The S2R Joint Undertaking considers that proposals with a duration of 30 months would allow this topic to be addressed appropriately. Nevertheless this does not preclude submission and selection of proposals with another duration."</i></p> <p>I understand that it is a decision of the applicant to decide the duration but I would like to ask if the duration of 30 months refers to a technical criteria or it is more related to an administrative framework of S2R?</p>	<p><i>binding</i> and therefore applicants can decide on a different duration. The indicative timeframe of the expected submission for some deliverable is linked to the efficient technical implementation of the complementarity with the CFM actions, while the consideration that a duration of 30 months would allow the topic to be addressed appropriately is made by the JU in frame of achieving its overall Programme completion in a timely manner.</p>
<p>12</p>	<p>I have a question about the new Shift2Rail calls: we are a constituent entity of a S2R JU associated member in the form of a consortium and we would like to know if it is possible to answer to new calls.</p> <p>Is there a limited budget per entity in the whole programme? Indeed, there is particularly a high interest for S2R-CFM-IPX-01-2020</p>	<p>As S2R Member you are eligible to submit a proposal to all the CFM topics.</p>
<p>13</p>	<p>I am enquiring on behalf of an academic. He is researching technology that can remotely map tunnels and identify damage to them however I'm unsure if this is within the call remit.</p> <p>It might fit into --&gt; <a href="#">S2R-CFM-IP1-01-2020</a> demonstrators for the next generation of traction systems, smart maintenance, virtual validation and eco-friendly heating, ventilation, and air conditioning, and technical research on battery and hydrogen powered regional trains.</p> <p>If you could offer any advice it would be greatly appreciated.</p>	<p>According to the eligibility criteria listed in the S2R AWP 2020 (section 2.3.4 Standard eligibility conditions), only S2R JU members (founding and associated) and their affiliates can be beneficiaries in the topics that are labelled as "CFM" (Calls for Members) in the S2R call 2020.</p> <p>In line with the distinction between different types of calls for proposals, presented in Sections 2.2.5 and 2.2.6 of the AWP, the JU distinguishes between two types of calls for proposals with specific eligibility conditions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- competitive calls for proposals, which, pursuant to Article 9.5 of Horizon 2020 Rules for Participation and Article 17.1(a) and (b) of S2R JU Statutes, will restrict the type of beneficiary to JU Members (founding and associated) and their affiliated entities. In the case of Members in the form of consortia or groupings of legal entities, the individual constituent entities of these consortia or groupings, and the affiliated entities of these individual constituent entities, are eligible to participate in the restricted calls for JU Members ;</li> <li>- open, competitive calls for proposals that, pursuant to Article 9.5 of Horizon 2020 Rules for participation, will be addressed only to entities that are not Members of the S2R JU (founding or associated), nor constituent entities of Members in the form of consortia or groupings, nor affiliated entities either to the S2R JU Members or to the constituent entities of Members in the form of</li> </ul>

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14	<p>We would like to participate in the call: Formulation of the freight train of the future, ID: S2R-CFM-IP5-01-2020 and we would like to define a new type of effective rail freight transport. However, we are not members of Shift2Rail JU.</p> <p>Can we take a part in this call yet?</p>	<p>Please refer above to the answer provided under question n°13.</p>
15	<p>We would like to know how to find partners for a Consortium to apply for the IP4 Open Call.</p>	<p>Please refer to the answer provided for question n° 9, sub-question n°4.</p>