

Valenciennes,  
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To the attention of the  
interested organisations  
(sent by email)

**Subject: 5<sup>th</sup> Workshop on Risk Management in the context of rail, road and inland waterways Transport of Dangerous Goods**

Dear Sir/Madam,

I am pleased to invite you to the **5<sup>th</sup> Workshop on Risk Management in the context of rail, road and inland waterways Transport of Dangerous Goods**.

**13 - 15 October 2015**  
**European Railway Agency, 120 rue Marc Lefrancq**  
**59300 Valenciennes (France)**

The workshop will start at 09:30 on the first day and will end not later than 13:30 on the last day.

Following the discussions and conclusions of the previous workshop, **the 5<sup>th</sup> Workshop will be the starting point for the development of guides forming a future framework for inland TDG risk management**. This framework will be developed by the following informal workgroups:

- Workgroup A, drafting the guide on data reporting regimes,
- Workgroup B, drafting the guide on risk estimation practices, and
- Workgroup C, drafting the guide on decision making.

The 5<sup>th</sup> workshop will be organized in plenary and parallel working sessions, as follows:

- 1<sup>st</sup> day - 13 October – 9:30 – 17:30  
**Plenary session** dedicated to the roadmap working progress and guides objectives (limited to 50 participants)
- 2<sup>nd</sup> day - 14 October – 9:30 – 17:30  
**Parallel working sessions** of the three above workgroups A, B and C (limited to 20 participants for each workgroup)
- 3<sup>rd</sup> day - 15 October – 9:30 – 13:30  
**Plenary session** dedicated to the reporting of the workgroups and workshop conclusions (limited to 50 participants)

With the present invitation, you may find the provisional agenda in Annex I and travelling & accommodation information in Annex II.

You are kindly requested to **confirm your attendance**:

- a) to the plenary sessions, and/or
- b) to the parallel workgroup sessions

by sending your registration form duly completed, **before the 10 September 2015**, to Mr Kyriakos DOULIS ([Kyriakos.Doulis@era.europa.eu](mailto:Kyriakos.Doulis@era.europa.eu)); tel: +33 3 27 096 725.

**Please consider that due to the limited capacity of the meeting rooms, ERA may need to allocate the available seats with the objective to achieve a well-balanced representation of each type of organisations or modes of transport.**

In addition to your participation, **you are kindly invited to share information related to the technical matters to be considered by each workgroup, or by the plenary session.**

Any **document or presentation shall be made available 2 weeks before the workshop** and will be accessible on the ERA extranet workspace to the registered participants.

Further information on the detailed agenda of the workgroups' sessions will be made available on the dedicated extranet workspace of ERA.

The workshop will be held in English.

There will be no reimbursement of travelling or other expenses for your participation to the workshop plenary sessions or to the workgroups.

Yours faithfully,

(signed)

Christopher CARR  
Head of Safety Unit

Enclosures: Provisional agenda, travelling & accommodation information

**Annex I**  
**Provisional agenda**

**Day 1 - (13 October 2015) - Plenary session** (max 50 participants)

Welcome of the participants	09:00
<b>1. Progress review, workgroups' Terms of Reference / Composition</b>	<b>[09:30 11:00]</b>
Coffee break	[11:00 11:30]
<b>2. Guide on risk estimation practices – draft table of content / objectives</b>	<b>[11:30 13:00]</b>
Lunch break	[13:00 14:00]
<b>3. Guide on data and reporting regimes – draft table of content / objectives</b>	<b>[14:00 15:30]</b>
Coffee break	[15:30 16:00]
<b>4. Discussion of workgroups agenda</b>	<b>[16:00 17:00]</b>
<b>5. AOB and conclusions</b>	<b>[17:00 17:30]</b>
End of first day	17:30

**Day 2 - (14 October 2015) - Parallel working sessions** (max 20 participants per workgroup)

	<b>Workgroup A Drafting of guide on data and reporting regimes</b>	<b>Workgroup B Drafting of guide on risk estimation practices</b>	<b>Workgroup C Drafting of guide on decision making</b>
Welcome of participants	9:00	9:00	9:00
<b>6. 1<sup>st</sup> working sessions</b>	<b>[9:30 11:00]</b>	<b>[9:30 11:00]</b>	<b>[9:30 11:00]</b>
Coffee break	[11:00 11:30]	[11:00 11:30]	[11:00 11:30]
<b>7. 2<sup>nd</sup> working sessions</b>	<b>[11:30 13:00]</b>	<b>[11:30 13:00]</b>	<b>[11:30 13:00]</b>
Lunch break	[13:00-14:00]	[13:00-14:00]	[13:00-14:00]
<b>8. 3<sup>rd</sup> working sessions</b>	<b>[14:00 15:30]</b>	<b>[14:00 15:30]</b>	<b>[14:00 15:30]</b>
Coffee break	[15:30–16:00]	[15:30–16:00]	[15:30–16:00]
<b>9. 4<sup>th</sup> working sessions</b>	<b>[16:00 17:30]</b>	<b>[16:00 17:30]</b>	<b>[16:00 17:30]</b>
End of second day	17:30	17:30	17:30

NOTE: the detailed agendas of the workgroup sessions will be provided by the workgroups' facilitators and uploaded on ERA extranet when available.

**Day 3 - (15 October 2015) - Morning plenary session** (max 50 participants)

Reporting of each workgroup to the plenary session	9:30
<b>10. Reporting of Workgroup A</b>	<b>[09:30 10:00]</b>
<b>11. Reporting of Workgroup B</b>	<b>[10:00 10:30]</b>
<b>12. Reporting of Workgroup C</b>	<b>[10:30 11:00]</b>
Coffee break	[11:00 11:30]
<b>13. Discussion of workgroup results</b>	<b>[11:30 13:00]</b>
<b>14. Conclusions and further steps</b>	<b>[13:00 13:30]</b>
Closure of the workshop (including offered lunch)	13:30

## Annex II

### Travelling & accommodation information

#### Visiting ERA Valenciennes headquarters

##### European Railway Agency

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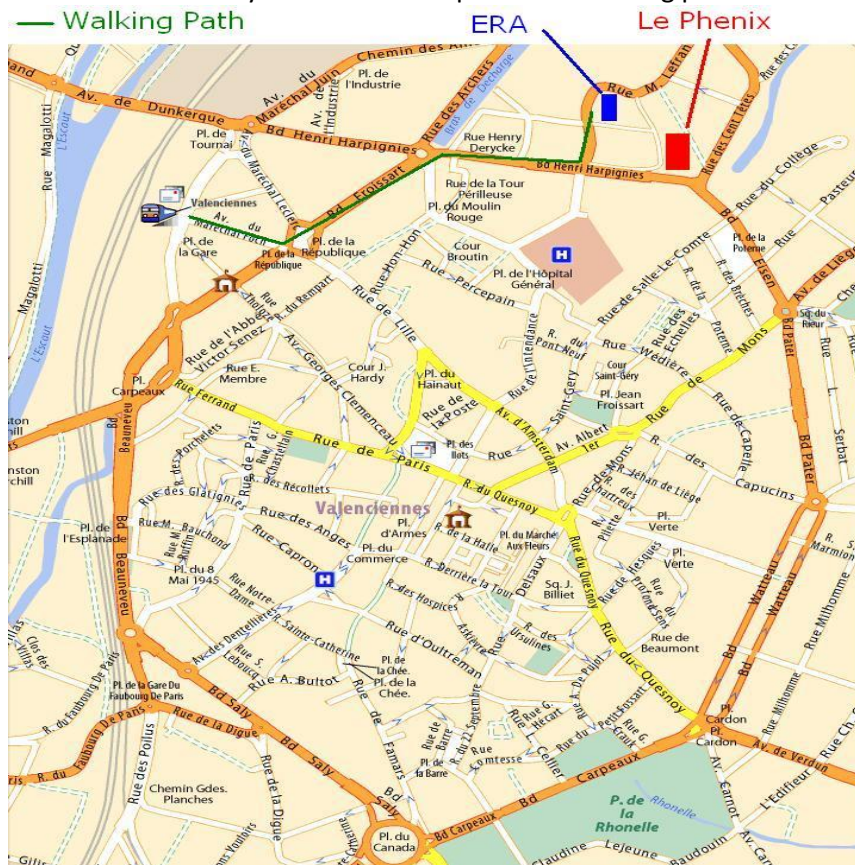


##### By train:

**From Lille Europe railway station**, you first need to go to Lille Flandres railway station (5 minutes walking distance).

**From Lille Flandres railway station**, you can use regional ([TER](#)) trains connecting frequently Lille Flandres with Valenciennes to reach the Agency.

**From Valenciennes railway station**, the Agency is within 15 minutes walking distance from Valenciennes railway station - see map with the walking path below.



- ➔ For information on timetables for direct trains from Paris to Valenciennes, please consult this [website](#).
- ➔ For the detailed train timetable from Lille Flandres to Valenciennes, please consult the information for the line 16-16bis [here](#).

## By Car:

### From Paris:

Motorway A1 then A2  
Exit 21 "Valenciennes Centre"  
At roundabout "place du Canada"  
Follow "Théâtre Le Phenix"

### From Belgium:

Motorway A2  
Exit 21 "Valenciennes Centre"  
At roundabout "place du Canada"  
Follow "Théâtre Le Phenix"

### From Lille:

Motorway A23  
Exit 8 "Valenciennes Nord"  
Follow "Valenciennes centre"  
Then follow "Théâtre Le Phenix"

## Where to stay overnight in Valenciennes?

Many hotels are available in Valenciennes and may be found by using Internet search engines.

The following hotels are located in proximity to the Railway Station and near to the European Railway Agency building:

<p><b>Le Grand Hôtel *** (842 m)*</b> 8 place de la Gare 59300 Valenciennes +33 3 27 46 32 01 <a href="http://www.grand-hotel-de-valenciennes.fr">www.grand-hotel-de-valenciennes.fr</a></p>	<p><b>Mercure Valenciennes Centre (1,3 km)</b> 5 Rue du Saint Cordon 59300 VALENCIENNES +33 3 27 23 50 60 <a href="http://www.accorhotels.com/fr/hotel-8576-mercure-valenciennes-centre/index.shtml">http://www.accorhotels.com/fr/hotel-8576-mercure-valenciennes-centre/index.shtml</a></p>
<p><b>Residhome du Théâtre*** (75m)</b> 90, boulevard Henri Harpignies 59300 Valenciennes +33 3 27 19 80 80 <a href="http://www.residhome.com/residence-hoteliere-aparthotel-valenciennes-229.html">http://www.residhome.com/residence-hoteliere-aparthotel-valenciennes-229.html</a></p>	<p><b>Auberge du Bon Fermier (1,33 km)</b> 64 rue Famars 59300 Valenciennes +33 3 27 46 68 25 <a href="http://www.bonfermier.com/">http://www.bonfermier.com/</a></p>
<p><b>Le Chat Botté *** (871 m)</b> 25 rue Tholozé 59300 Valenciennes +33 3 27 14 58 59 <a href="http://www.hotel-lechatbotte.com">www.hotel-lechatbotte.com</a></p>	<p><b>IBIS Hôtel ** (2 km)</b> 90 Rue Baudouin 59300 Valenciennes +33 3 27 22 80 80 <a href="http://www.accorhotels.com/de/hotel-6549-ibis-valenciennes/index.shtml">http://www.accorhotels.com/de/hotel-6549-ibis-valenciennes/index.shtml</a></p>

*\*walking distance from the Agency's meeting rooms.*