

Results of the 2013 questionnaire on the development of women employment in the railway sector in Europe

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### **Management summary**



- Overall, fewer companies but from more countries took part in comparison to 2010
- Due to this and the change in questions, the possibilities to show any progress are limited
- The average share of women among employers in the participating railway companies is about 19,5 % similar to the share of around 20 % in 2010
- There are increasing proportions of women in railway enterprises up to 3 percent in 5 comparable countries
- In technical professions, women are still underrepresented but there are some differences:
- In Eastern Europe the proportion of women among the engineers is significant higher than in Western Europe (East: 40 % - West: 11%)
- There are hardly any female locomotive drivers the highest rate is below 3 percent
- Flexible working time, part time work and sabbaticals are the most popular measures to improve work-life balance - teleworking is upcoming
- Few additional answers show a main focus on measures for parents
- Initiatives to improve health and hygienic conditions and awareness raising measures for HR staff and employees with managerial responsibilities are the most popular measures to promote employment and career development of women
- Reviews of recruitment procedures and STEM campaigns are frequently planned activities

# **Background and methods applied**



### Aims of the survey

- To gain an overview of the representation of women in European rail enterprises
- To update of statistical data on women in rail
- To compare developments since 2010 as far as possible

#### Methods

- Quantitative survey for all CER members, conducted between June 2013 an November 2013 (in order to receive as many responses as possible)
- In total 24 railway companies in 19 countries returned completed questionnaires
- The 2010 survey answered 13 of the 24 railway companies
- Data for time series could not be provided comprehensively by all responding railway companies
- the types and wording of questions differ between 2010 and 2013
- the participation of companies varies between surveys
- Availability of information depends on the interpretation of questions inconsistent answers were not analysed

## **Participating railway companies**



#### Western Europe

- BLS\* Switzerland
- CFL Cargo Luxembourg
- **CP**\* Portugal
- **DB**\* Germany
- **FS Group\*** Italy
- **NS** The Netherlands
- ÖBB\* Austria
- RhB Switzerland
- SBB\* Switzerland
- **SNCB/NMBS**\* Belgium
- SNCF\* France
- SFL/CFL Luxembourg
- VR Group Finland

#### Eastern Europe

- ČD\* Czech Republic
- LDz Latvia
- NRIC\* Bulgaria
- PKP Cargo\* Poland
- SŽ\* Slovenia
- CFR-SA\* Romania
- TCDD Turkey
- ŽSR Slovakia
- ŽS Serbia
- ZSSK Slovakia
- ZSSK Cargo Slovakia

\* Company took part in the 2010 survey.

# Percentage of women in European railway companies





# **Percentage of women in management positions**





# **Percentage of women in technical professions**





# Percentage of women in vocational training





## Percentage of women in part time workers





# Measures to improve work-life balance responsibilities





# Measures to promote employment and career development of women





## **General equal opportunities measures**



