



Fédération Européenne des Chemins de Fer Touristiques et Historiques Europäische Föderation der Museums- und Touristikbahnen

NOTICE OF Annual General Meeting 2025

To all members of FEDECRAIL

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Dear members,

The Council invites all members and affiliate members to participate in the Annual General Meeting of FEDECRAIL, which will be held on:

Date: Saturday 10th May 2025 Place: Empress Hotel, Douglas, Isle of Man Time 9:00 - 13:00

To allow as many members to attend as possible the AGM will be organised as a hybrid meeting.

Those representatives of FEDECRAIL members who can travel to the venue, are welcome to attend in person. Arrangements will be made for all others to participate in the meeting via a team's link, this will be sent out to anyone that registers for it. Further instructions will follow.

All member representatives are requested to inform the Secretary at least 48 hours before the start of the meeting for which organisation(s) they will vote for.

Those unable to attend may inform the Secretary at least 48 hours before the start of the meeting by email, that they have nominated a person who shall represent them as their proxy.

Members may also vote using the Proxy form. The completed forms must be received by the secretary not later than 24:00 on Wednesday 1st May 2025 to be included in the voting.

The right to vote is limited to those members which have paid their annual financial contribution over the year 2024 in full.

The arrangements for voting by the members will be carried out in accordance with article 3-7a of the FEDECRAIL constitution.

An agenda with more details will be sent to all members six weeks before the meeting.

	AGENDA AGM 32.
32-1	Opening by the President, welcome, apologies, agenda.
32-2	Approval of the minutes of the Annual Meeting 31, held on Sat 8 th May 2024 Bilbao
32-3	Applications for membership
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32-4	Lack of contact and non-payment of membership dues by members
32-5	Report of the Board for the year ending 31 st December 2024.
32-6	Accounts for the financial year 2024, to be presented by the Treasurer.
32-7	Report of the Auditors and discharge of the Board from financial and criminal liability for the year 2024. Approval of the accounts and liability.
32-8	Annual Plan for 2025, presentation and approval.
32-9	Approval for membership fees for 202512,5 euro/point minimum 80 euro
32-10	Approval of the budget for 2025
32-11	Approval of constitutional changes
32-12	Election of the auditors for the year 2025.
A	Approval of number of auditors
В	Election of the auditors
32-13	Report of the Working Groups
A	Heritage Operations Working Group
В	Tramway Operating Group
<u>C</u>	WIMH
D	New initiative for youths
32-14	Election of Board members 2025
A	Election on number of board members
	Stepping down from the board at the end of the term, but being available for a new term:
	Pierluigi Scoizzato & Philippe Dupont

	See information after this agenda for nominations and positions
32-15	WATTRAIN information
32-16	Any other business previously notified to the President.
	Any issues are to be notified in writing to the President at least one week
	before the start of the meeting (not later than Saturday 3 rd May 2025).
32-17	Autumn Meeting digital
32-18	Next Annual General Meeting.

Council Positions in FEDECRAIL – Nominate

FEDECRAIL is seeking new board members who are ready to contribute to the development of our international organisation. We encourage our members to nominate candidates for the board no later than **1 March to contact@fedecrail.org.**

As a board member, you are expected to:

- Participate in our digital board meetings, held monthly in English.

- Be available for occasional physical meetings, although most of the work is conducted online.

- Actively contribute between meetings by taking on specific tasks and collaborating with other board members.

- Follow FEDECRAIL's policies and work in the best interest of FEDECRAIL.

We are looking for open-minded individuals ready to take responsibility and contribute to the work of the board. We value broad representation, considering gender, age, experience, and geographical diversity.

What does it mean to be a board member?

As a member of the FEDECRAIL board, you do not represent your country, your association, or the organisation that nominated you – you represent the entirety of FEDECRAIL. However, nominations must come from a member or a member's organisation and must include:

- 1. A photo.
- 2. A CV.

3. A short motivation explaining why the candidate would be an asset to FEDECRAIL's work.

Possible Responsibilities within the Board:

EU and Partnerships Coordinator

• Oversee issues related to the EU and partner organisations while building sustainable networks.

Youth Coordinator

- Support the implementation of our new youth programme and help develop youthrelated initiatives, ideally as a younger representative.
- Plan events för the younger generation.

Membership Development and Recruitment

- Develop strategies to engage new members, particularly from underrepresented regions such as Eastern Europe.
- Maintain regular contact with members and create conditions for a member oriented FEDECRAIL, ensuring strong communication between the members and FEDECRAIL's board.
- Keep track of the membership registry and actively work on keeping it updated.

Communication and Visibility

- Lead external communication efforts, including social media and the translation of materials into additional languages.
- Ensure that we effectively communicate our goals and strategies and maintain high quality in our work.
- Support the translation of key documents and the inclusion of diverse linguistic groups in the organisation's activities.
- Enhance Fedecrail's reputation as a leading organisation in cultural heritage and railways.

Cultural Heritage and Policy Advocacy, Legal Matters

- Draft guidelines and influence international policies related to cultural heritage preservation.
- Manage legal issues and provide expertise in matters related to regulations, compliance, and insurance for member organisations.

Events and Collaboration

- Organise conferences and foster relationships with museums and other stakeholders.
- Plan events, conferences, and meetings both digital and physical.
- Secure the quality and support working groups in their planning for meetings.

Funding and Financial Sustainability

• Secure funding through EU projects, sponsorships, and grants to support the organisation's long-term goals.

Digitalisation and Innovation

- Lead projects related to digital solutions, such as virtual twins and database management.
- Help with database strategies for best practice or for example suppliers of various kinds.

Welcome to the Isle of Man from May 8th to 12th! We still have an early bird offer available, but it will expire on January 31st. So, please register soon!

We also have a youth offer and hope that many members will take this opportunity to send participants under the age of 26 so they can join, engage, and get to know FEDECRAIL.

Best Wishes

Mimmi Mickelsen President of FEDECRAIL