

Directive 2012/34/EU of the European Parliament and of the Council of 21 November 2012 establishing a single European railway area (recast) (Text with EEA relevance)

### CHAPTER III

## LICENSING OF RAILWAY UNDERTAKINGS

### SECTION 1

#### ***Licensing authority***

#### *Article 16*

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Each Member State shall designate a licensing authority that shall be responsible for issuing licences and for carrying out the obligations imposed by this Chapter.

The licensing authority shall not provide rail transport services itself and shall be independent of firms or entities that do so.