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<b>Procedure</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Legal Basis: Treaty of the Functioning of the EU TFEU 338-p1</li> <li>Ordinary Legislative Procedure: Council and EP</li> </ul>		
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### Summary

The aim of this proposal is to amend Regulation (EC) No 91/2003 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 16 December 2002 on rail transport statistics, in order to update, simplify and optimise the existing legal framework for European statistics on rail transport and to align it with the new institutional context.

During the Coreper meeting on 19 December 2014, the compromise text agreed between EP and IT Presidency during the trilogue did not reach the qualified majority and no endorsement was given.

Following detailed study, which involved close cooperation with DG MOVE, European Railway Agency and Eurostat, of the existing legislation, the Presidency has contacted European Parliament and explained that it sees no need for the pilot studies article, as the data requested in the pilot studies already exists under different legal acts.

In March 2015 the Latvian Presidency launched written consultations with the Member States to explore possible ways on how to solve the open issue on the article of pilot studies. The answers on rail statistics file and the issue of pilot studies showed that the majority of Member States are willing to exclude the article on pilot studies from the statistical regulation and to seek extra justifications of one of the points regarding abandoned cross-border rail sections.

After the meeting with the Presidency and Eurostat, the EP took a decision to organise the meeting inviting DG MOVE, ERA and Eurostat in order to explore existing legislation regarding the necessary indicators. Meeting took place on the second half of April.

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At the beginning of June the EP TRAN came up with its revised proposal. Open issues concern cooperation between ERA and Eurostat, studies on abandoned cross border railsections and dissemination of data. The Latvian Presidency put a lot efforts in informal communication with involved parties. LV PRES was not be able to conclude the file. The further discussions and decision will be made under the LUX PRES.