

Residential Training

Summer School on Transport Regulation – Web

14-16 July 2026

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Introduction

The Summer School provides the best opportunity for professionals working on the regulation of transport to update their perspectives on the most recent topics, and to share their views with public officials, industry colleagues and academics, as well as to newcomers to familiarise with the regulatory debates in the industry.

During this residential summer school, you will have an opportunity to dive deep into the main issues affecting the transport and mobility sectors, namely competitiveness, decarbonisation and digitalisation challenges in the transport sector. The programme will dedicate a full day to studying each of these topics, with specific attention to railways and aviation, but also to the main transversal challenges. After completing this Summer School on Transport Regulation, you will be able to answer the following burning issues affecting the transport and mobility sectors:

- *What are the key challenges confronting the European transport and mobility sectors today?*
- *What are the main evolutions of the EU approach to regulating transport and mobility?*
- *What are the main limitations of the liberalisation agenda in light of the new challenges posed by decarbonisation and digitalisation?*
- *What are the main policy and technology tools available to tackle decarbonisation and digitalisation?*
- *How can digitalisation and decarbonisation become better aligned with the EU's market approach for promoting the Single European Transport Area?*
- *How can the EU transport make the EU competitive?*

In addition, enrolling in the Summer School guarantees you a spot at the academic conferences on [Rail Regulation](#) (13 July 2026), [Aviation Regulation](#) (17 July 2026) and [Maritime Regulation](#) (17 July 2026).



Draft Programme

14 July

Day 1 - Market regulation

09.00 - 10.30 Introduction to EU transport regulation

11.00 - 12.45 **Parallel Session 1 – Land**

- Vertical separation in railways
- The new Capacity Regulation
- Digital ticketing

11.00 - 12.45 **Parallel Session 1 – Aviation**

- Airport *Acquis* Fitness Check
- Regulating Slots
- Mergers

12.45 - 14.15 *Lunch*

14.15 - 16.00 **Parallel Session 2 – Land**

- Updates in open access competition
- Updates in Public Service Contracts
- Rail regulation and competition in USA

14.15 - 16.00 **Parallel Session 2 – Aviation**

- ATM: Evaluating the performance scheme
- New Service Delivery model
- Quo vadis RP 5

16.30 - 18.00 Extra ATM session TBC

15 July

Day 2 | Competitiveness

09.00 - 09.30 Setting the scene

Juan Montero | Transport Area of FSR, EUI

Keir Fitch | DG MOVE

09.30 - 11.00 **Session 1 – Transport Manufacturers & Global Competitiveness: How EU transport manufacturing can compete globally**

How can EU manufacturers compete with globally subsidised players while remaining open? What does strategic autonomy mean in practice for transport manufacturing? How to avoid internal fragmentation that would weaken the EU industry globally?

Roundtable discussion

11.00 - 11.30 *Coffee break*

11.30 - 13.00 **Session 2 – Innovation Policies & EU Funds for Competitiveness**

Why does Europe innovate but struggle to scale? Are EU innovation instruments aligned with industrial realities? How to shorten the time-to-market and support the first industrial deployment?

Roundtable discussion

13.00 - 14.00 *Lunch*

14:00 - 15:30 **Session 3 – Facilitating and promoting the EU’s Transport Competitiveness through Exports**

How can Europe promote the EU’s Transport Competitiveness through Exports? What is a proactive Team Europe funding approach? How to leverage Global Gateway for EU transport leadership?

Roundtable discussion

15.30 - 15.50 *Coffee break*

15.50 - 17.20 **Session 4 – Simplification of Transport Regulation**

How to prevent regulatory accumulation without additional CO₂ impact? How to ensure policy coherence across climate, industry and transport? How to design future-proof rules for multiple technologies?

Roundtable discussion

17.20 - 17.30 **Wrap up and Concluding Remarks**

Keir Fitch | DG MOVE

Juan Montero | European University Institute, Transport Area FSR

16 July **Day 3 | Greening**

9.00 - 10.30 **Parallel session 1 – Land**

- Financial models for investment in High speed Rail
- Masterplan HSR

9.00 - 10.30 **Parallel session 1 – Aviation**

- Cost of Achieving NetZero
- Non-CO₂ effects
- EU External Relations

10.30 - 11.00 *Coffee break*

11.00 - 12.45 **Parallel session 2 – Land**

- Passenger rights
- Multimodality (ports)
- Multimodality (airports)
- Tourism and land transport

11.00 - 12.45 **Parallel session 2 – Aviation**

- EU ETS & CORSIA, SAF & ReFuelEU
- Airport Innovations (electrification)
- Manufacturer Innovations

12.45 - 14.15 *Lunch*

14.15 - 16.00 **Final session**

- General perspective on decarbonisation
- Cross-sector analysis on decarbonisation
- Closing remarks

