## Shift2Rail publishes its new Call for Proposals 2019

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Projects worth €150,3 million will be funded under the Shift2Rail Joint Undertaking (S2R JU) 2019 Call for Proposals for Research & Innovation activities. Shift2Rail has just opened the application period, based on its Annual Work Plan 2019. Submissions will be accepted until 18 June 2019.

With 18 topics of which 6 are open to S2R Members (CFM) and 12 to non-JU Members (OC), this Call is expected to raise high interest in the transport community and beyond.

Carlo M Borghini, Executive Director of the Shift2Rail JU, expressed his high expectations for the new 2019 projects: "After having presented some of our first results last year at InnoTrans, the programme is now in the final stages of bringing demonstrations closer to the market. I am also looking forward to the submission of high quality proposals introducing innovative solutions to reshape the railway system in Europe, in order to bring more capacity, attractiveness and punctuality to this sustainable transport mode".

The indicative H2020 co-funding made available by the S2R JU for this Call is €76,9 million, out of an estimated projects' value of around €150,3 million.

The S2R JU is looking forward to a broader participation to the 2019 Call, both geographically and in terms of synergies, allowing for new S2R activities that will demonstrate to the sector at large the potential for innovation to deliver a bright future for railway.