

TEN-T Executive Agency: One Year On

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Welcome/Workshop programme

12 January

- Setting the stage: review of the Agency's first year and objectives of the Workshop
- Opening the debate: calls, monitoring, payments
- Break-out sessions
- TENtec & NETLIPSE presentations

13 January

- Conclusions of break-out sessions
- TEN-T policy issues
- Networking



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Review of the Agency's first year

- Tasks
- Organigramme
- 2009: Our achievements
- 2010: Our main objectives



Tasks

European Commission

defines the policy

- Makes all TEN-T programming decisions
- Defines strategy, objectives and priority areas of action
- Selects the projects for co-financing and adopts the financing Decisions
- Monitors the Agency
- Evaluates the TEN-T programme and the Agency's performance



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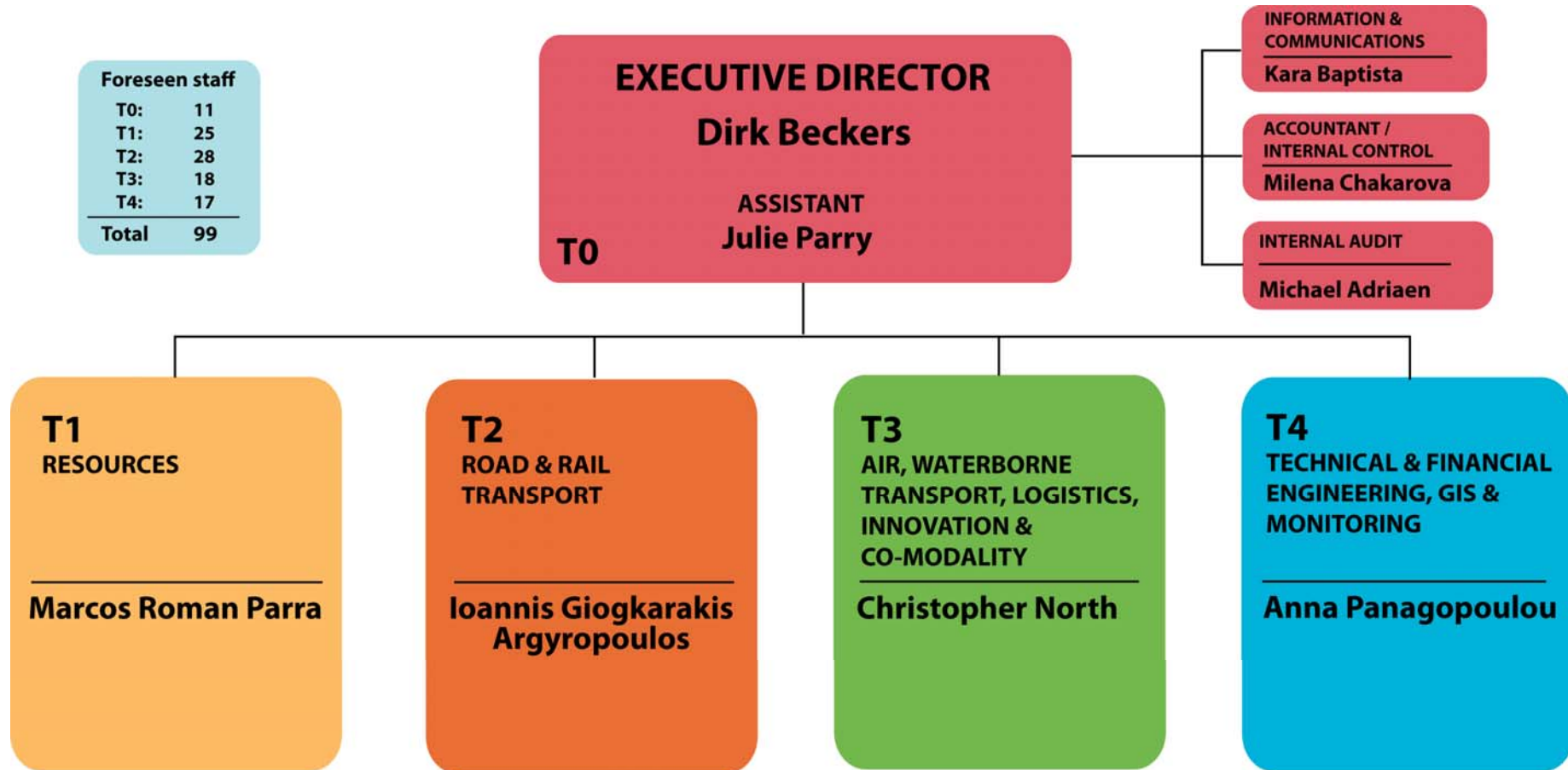
turns policy into action

- Follows up the technical and financial implementation of the TEN-T projects
- Manages the entire project lifecycle
- Executes the TEN-T budget
- Gives feedback, assistance and reports to the Commission
- Provides administrative support to the beneficiaries of TEN-T financing
- Coordinates with other Commission services, programmes, Institutions and financial instruments



Organigramme

Foreseen staff	
T0:	11
T1:	25
T2:	28
T3:	18
T4:	17
Total	99



January 2010



2009: Achievements

- First complete year of full operational and financial autonomy for the management of all open TEN-T projects from the 2000-2006 and 2007-2013 Financial Perspectives (\pm 450 projects)
- A quicker treatment of all requests and faster payments achieved



2009: Achievements

- Launch of the Agency's public website (<http://tentea.ec.europa.eu>), adding visibility to the TEN-T Programme
- Successful management of a complex call for proposals and evaluation exercise:
 - budget doubled to nearly €1 billion
 - shortened timeframe (EERP: from call close to selection by Member States = 2 months)
 - organisation of an Info Day attended by 350 people
 - external evaluation of the 254 eligible proposals by 56 external experts in only 3 weeks

Which enabled:

- adoption by end of 2009 of 90% of the 39 projects selected under the EERP
- selection of 32 projects under the Annual Call and 28 projects under the Multi-Annual Call, to be launched from February 2010 onwards



2009: Achievements

- Preparation of the Annual and Multi-Annual Work Programmes 2010
- Introduction of a number of simplifications:
 - use of ASR to decide on further instalments
 - harmonised templates for financial statements
 - new sampling method)
- Completion of 96% of the recruitment of all Agency staff



2010: Main objectives

- Effective & efficient technical and financial management of the TEN-T Programme and projects
- Provide support to DG TREN in the context of the TEN-T policy revision and mid-term programme review, in particular by the evaluation of the project implementation (MAP Project Portfolio Review)
- Increase the efficiency of the Agency's operations by streamlining its working methods, internal organisation, structure & staff management and developing new tools
- Improve support to partners, including on the financial engineering of TEN-T projects
- Increase the awareness about the TEN-T programme, the Agency and its achievements



MAP Project Portfolio Review

Objectives

- Assess the progress of individual projects
- Draw conclusions and make recommendations on project implementation

How

- By examining the ASRs – vital that they are complete and submitted in time



2010: Main objectives

Increasing the awareness

Objectives of TEN-T EA's External Communication Strategy

- Promote the importance and benefits of the TEN-T programme and projects
- Strengthen the Agency's role as the reference point for TEN-T programme management
- Help the secondary audience understand how the TEN-T programme can benefit them
- Ensure that the Agency's role is understood by the key stakeholders and that its reputation positively evolves



Objectives of the Workshop

- Explore the Agency's role/areas of added value
- Focus on the main issues to review and discuss
- Share information, experiences and lessons learnt
- Receive your feedback on key operational topics
- Discuss specific improvements in our working relationship and your participation in the TEN-T project management process
- Ensure our continued successful contacts and cooperation in the future



Thank you for your participation



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