

PRESS RELEASE

Virtual event taking place TODAY from 16.00–17.30 CEST: **The European Startup Prize for Mobility presents the** **European Startup Manifesto on Rail.**

BRUSSELS, July 13th 2021: In this current EU Year of Rail 2021, ALLRAIL is proud to be a partner of the “*European Startup Prize for mobility*”¹, a competition and acceleration programme backed by both the EU Parliament & EU Commission that promotes innovation to achieve more sustainable mobility solutions.

Rail still has less than 8% market share in European passenger transport – so change is urgently needed. Startups must have a fair chance to challenge & improve all aspects of the rail system. At the virtual event today, you can hear from startups what they need from EU stakeholders in order to be able do so.

Over the past few months, 70 startups wrote down their demands in a special rail manifesto – that you can still read and endorse at <https://lnkd.in/duw4cw2>

At the virtual event taking place from 16.00 until 17.30 CEST today, some of these rail entrepreneurs will be presenting the manifesto’s demands directly to senior EU stakeholders. ALLRAIL will be one of the speakers at the event as well.

ALLRAIL’s President Dr Erich Forster says: *„as the Alliance of Rail New Entrants, many of our members were startups themselves just a few years ago. And some still are! Startups need a place around the table where decisions are made”.*

You can take part in the free virtual event today, by clicking on this link:

<https://event.brusselstimes.com/european-startup-manifesto-on-rail-raising-the-voices-of-rail-tech-startups/> It will be an official event of the EU Year of Rail.



¹ <https://startupprize.eu/>