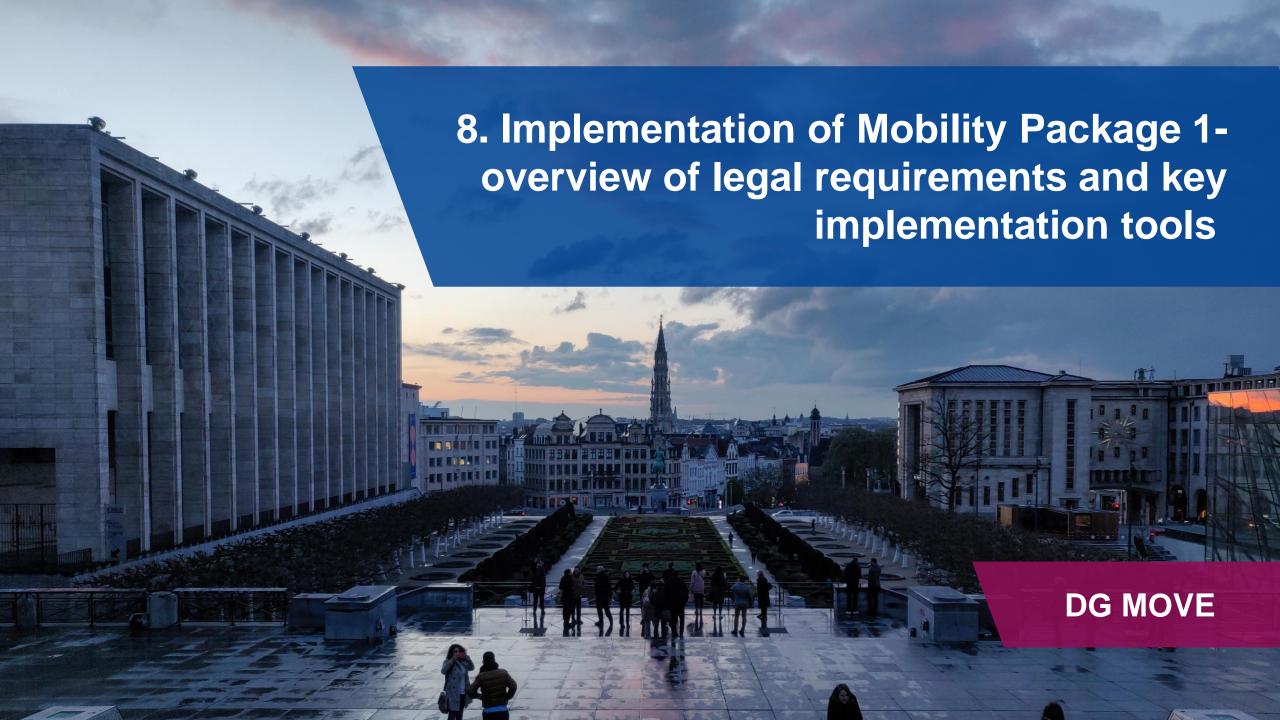


PART II



INTRODUCTORY PRESENTATIONS ON THE NEW MODULES OF IMI SYSTEM FOR ROAD TRANSPORT







Posting of drivers in road transport: IMI and the public interface

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New rules on posting of drivers

- Background: diverging national rules on posting of drivers in road transport, open list of administrative requirements and control measures → legal uncertainty and administrative burden for companies
- New Directive (EU) 2020/1057 on Lex Specialis on posting of drivers
- → will start applying on 2 February 2022.
- Posted drivers will receive the remuneration of the host Member State where they carry out activities covered by posting rules.
- Harmonised implementation and enforcement: use of IMI and public interface connected to IMI, closed list of administrative requirements + mutual cooperation

Enforcement of posting of drivers - IMI

- Key role of IMI (Internal Market Information System) and the new public interface connected to IMI:
 - For companies: submission of standardised posting declarations via a multilingual public interface at the latest at the commencement of the posting.
 - For the host authorities: enforcement of the posting rules via requests for documents sent directly to the company. Closed list of documents including tachograph records, payslips, employment contracts.
 - For the home authorities: can receive requests for assistance from the host authority to provide documents where the economic operator fails to do so.



Enforcement of posting rules in detail



Enforcement of posting of drivers (1)

Prior to the posting:

- Obligation for the operator established in another MS to submit a posting declaration to the authorities of a Member State to which the driver is posted:
 - at the latest at the commencement of the posting
 - using the multilingual public interface connected to the IMI
 - posting declaration covering max. 6 months can be renewed



Enforcement of posting of drivers (2)

Content of the posting declaration:

- i. the **identity of the operator**, at least in the form of the number of the Community licence where this number is available;
- ii. the **contact details of a transport manager** or other contact person in the Member State of establishment to liaise with the competent authorities of the host Member State in which the services are provided and to send out and receive documents or notices;
- iii. the identity of the driver, the address of the residence and the number of his/her driving licence;
- iv. the start date of the driver's contract of employment, and the law applicable to it;
- v. the envisaged start and end date of the posting;
- vi. the **number plates** of the motor vehicles;
- vii. the **transport services performed** (e.g. carriage of goods, carriage of passengers, international carriage or cabotage operations).



Enforcement of posting of drivers (3)

During the posting:

- 1) posting declaration in paper or electronic form
- 2) evidence of the transport operations taking place in the host Member State, such as an electronic consignment note (e-CMR)
- the tachograph records (mention of the country codes of the MS where operations took place)



Enforcement of posting of drivers (4)

What can be checked at the roadside:

- <u>Step 1</u>: During a roadside check, the **driver shows the posting declaration** either in paper or electronically.
- Step 2: The host authority checks the authenticity and validity of the posting declaration with an IMI real-time check
- <u>Step 3</u>: The host authority **may decide afterwards to send a request for documents via IMI** to the company to check that the driver received the appropriate remuneration for the period of posting.



Enforcement of posting of drivers (5)

Documents that can be requested via IMI directly to the operator:

Following the request of the host MS, the operator must send via the IMI public interface:

- i. tachographs records
- ii. consignment notes (e.g. e-CMRs)
- iii. documentation relating to the remuneration of the driver in respect of the period of posting,
- iv. the employment contract
- v. time-sheets relating to the driver's work
- vi. proof of payments.



Enforcement of posting of drivers (6)

Procedure for the request in IMI:

- Step 1: The host authority makes a direct request to the company via IMI.
- Step 2: The company receives the request in the interface and has 8 weeks to submit the requested documents.
- <u>Step 3</u>: If the company fails to submit the documents within 8 weeks, the host authority may request **assistance from the home authority**.
- <u>Step 4</u>: The home authority has access to the request from the host MS authority in IMI and contacts the company (e.g. checks at premises) to **get the documents within 25 working days**.



Thank you! Any questions?



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Internal Market Information System (IMI)

9 December 2021 - ELA Road Transport Workshop

DG GROW

I Introduction to IMI

- IMI in general and benefits of using the system
- Types of information exchanges in IMI
- ❖ The IMI Regulation
- Policy areas in IMI and expansion of IMI

II Practical aspects

- National IMI Coordinators
- IMI basic features

III IMI & Mobility package (three new Mobility modules)

- ❖ Reminder legal basis
- Three different exchanges in IMI



I Introduction to IMI



IMI in general

- **❖ Secure, multilingual online** tool
- Facilitates the exchange of information between public authorities of the European Union
- Also used in the countries belonging to the European Economic Area (EEA)
- First information exchanges in 2008
- Supports 17 different policy areas





The benefits of using IMI

- Adaptable for different policy areas
- Multilingual, can be used in all EU official languages; standardised content, questions, answers, messages and form fields are pre-translated; automated translation available for information provided in free text
- Flexible: can accommodate any national administrative structure
- Secure and data protection proof
- ❖ Does not generate direct costs for Member States



The benefits of using IMI

- Easy to find the counterpart of the information exchange
- * Reminders: on e-mail; no need to check the system all the time
- Possible to follow the status of requests made
- Support for users: National IMI Coordinators (NIMICs) & the IMI Helpdesk
 & training environment
- Legal certainty IMI is based on a EU Regulation



Types of information exchanges offered by IMI





IMI Regulation

- ❖ IMI Regulation (1024/2012)
 - Shared competence between EU and MS in the field of the Internal Market (TFEU Article 26)
 - Legal basis setting the scope of use for IMI
 - Functions and responsibilities in relation to IMI
 - Rules on processing of personal data and security
 - Expansion of IMI
- ❖ HERE the link to the IMI Regulation



Expansion of IMI

- ❖ Formal expansion: a new legislative act foresees the use of IMI and amends the Annex of the IMI Regulation
- ❖ Pilot projects: implementing acts to be adopted by the IMI Committee
- ❖ Aim for a consensus in Member States before introducing a new policy are



Who does what in IMI?

National IMI Coordinators (NIMICs)

- **❖** Responsible for implementation of IMI in the MS
- ❖ Tasks defined in the IMI Regulation
- Granting access to authorities
- Providing support for users
- **❖** Representing MS in IMI Working groups



Who does what in IMI?

Competent authorities

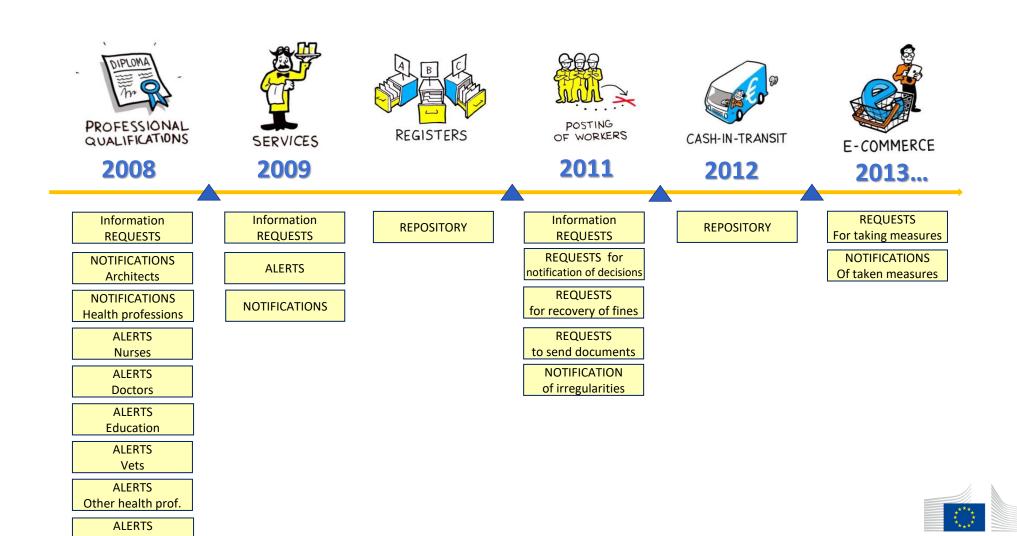
- Main actors who exchange information in the system
- National, regional or local

The Commission

- Hosts and maintains the system
- Responsible for translations in the system
- **❖** Runs the IMI helpdesk

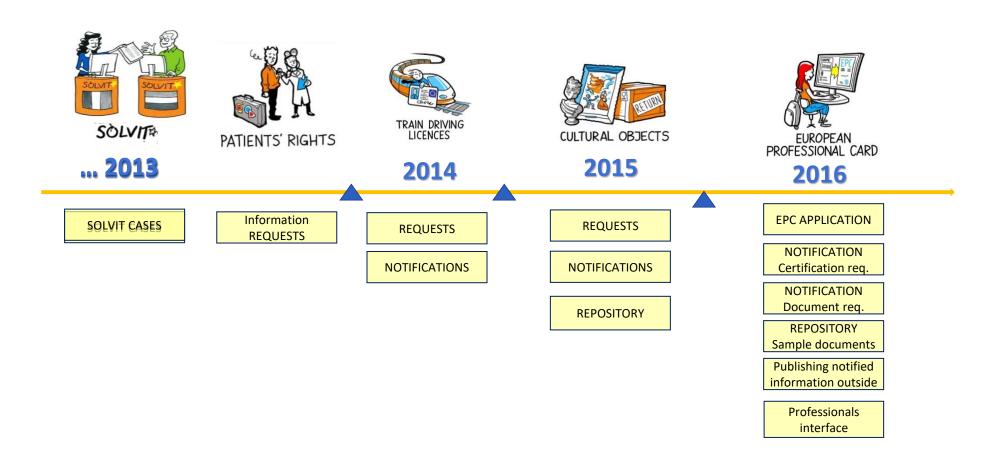


False diplomas



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Commission















2017

2018

2019

2020...

Type Approval applications

Request to verify documents authenticity

Repository of models of most common docs

Repository of anonymised forged docs Case Register

Information on Public Access to Documents

Art. 56 Identification of LSA and CSA

Art. 56 Local case Request

Art. 60 One-Stop-Shop Cooperation

> Art. 61 Mutual Assistance

Art. 62 Joint Cooperation

Art. 64 Opinion by the EDPB

Art. 64 Final EDPB Opinion Art. 66. Adopted provisional measure

Art. 66. Urgent EDPB
Opinion/Decision

Art. 66. Final EDPB Opinion

Art. 65 Dispute resolution by the EDPB

Art. 61 Voluntary Mutual Assistance

Written procedure

Internal consultation DE

Internal Written procedure DE

REPOSITORY

REQUESTS

NOTIFICATIONS





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REQUESTS for information

REQUESTS for enforcement

NOTIFICATION of request refusal

NOTIFICATION of measures

ALERTS

External ALERTS

Coordinated action Initiation

Coordinated action Investigation & enf.

IMI expansion continues:

- Free Flow of Data
- Firearms refusals
- ❖ RegProf
- Mobility Package
- Single Digital Gateway

















2011

2012



SOLVITA

... 2013



TRAIN DRIVING LICENCES

2014



CULTURAL OBJECTS

2015



2016



2017



2018







COOPERATION

2019

2020



IMI in numbers

- ❖ 81 700 exchanges took place in 2020, representing a 47 % increase compared to 2019.
- ❖ The total number of exchanges sent through IMI reached now 296 000 since 2008, continuous growth
- More than 35.000+ registered users from more than 12.000 authorities
- ❖ In the last five years, the system usage has grown 370%



IMI website







Under EU single market laws, people and businesses have certain rights to move around the European Economic Area for work, study, trade, etc.

If your authority is involved in implementing these laws on the ground, you may need to **exchange information** with similar bodies in other countries.

The Internal Market Information System (IMI) enables you to do this.

For a brief explanation watch this video:



Video: All about IMI

Access to IMI

Only registered users can access the Internal Market Information System (IMI).

Login

IMI Training System

If you are new to IMI and you want to familiarise yourself with the system, you can use our **training system**.

To do so, you first need to register.

Login

News





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Not yet registered?

Your registration request has to be approved by a <u>national IMI coordinator</u>. Only competent authorities can request registration in IMI.

https://ec.europa.eu/internal __market/iminet/index_en.htm



II Practical aspects of IMI

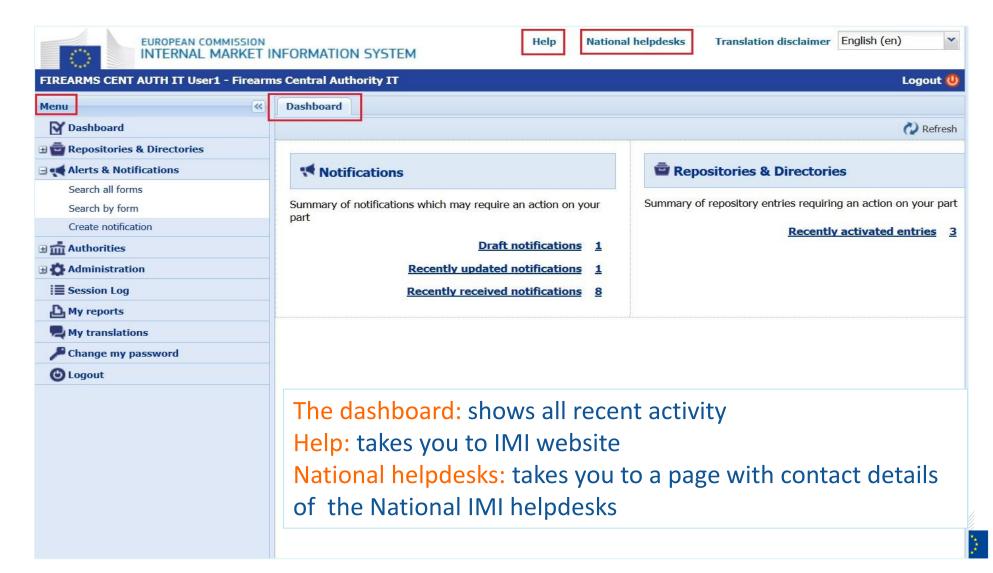


The National IMI Coordinator

- Registers authorities in IMI
- Grants authorities access to specific modules
 - with coordinator or authority role
- Ensures registration of the first user
 - with administrator role
- Contacts on the IMI website: https://ec.europa.eu/internal_market/imi-net/contact/index_en.htm



IMI dashboard



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Basic features

- Search (authorities/notifications)
 - ❖ Flexible criteria, results presented in a list which can be sorted, columns selected and deselected
- ❖ Excel Export
 - Exported in Excel, used for statistics etc.
- ❖Print-outs (reports)
 - Exchanges can be printed as PDF reports





Basic features

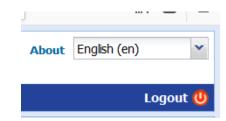
- Comments & Attachments
 - > can be added by any recipient max file size 20 Mb
- Reuse
 - > allows you to create a new request by 'copying' the content of an existing one
- Emails
 - > automatically generated email for each new event





Basic features

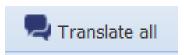
- Fully multi-lingual
 - > Display the screen in any of the official languages of the EU



- Translate individual free text fields
 - > Translate a specific free text field to the language of your choice



- ❖Translate all free text in an entry
 - > Translate all to the language in which the screen is displayed





III IMI & the Mobility Package (three new Mobility modules)



Mobility package I

- ❖ Lex specialis Directive (EU) 2020/1057
 - Submission of on-line declarations of posted drivers to host country Directive 2006/22/EC
 - Information exchange on national interpretation and application of Regulation 561/2006
- Conditions of establishment Regulation (EU) 2020/1055
 - ❖ Information exchange to check establishment criteria/letterbox companies Regulation 1071/2009



Mobility package I

- Mobility Package I texts adopted:
 - ❖ Lex specialis entered into force 1st of August 2020
 - Regulation on Access to profession on 20th of August 2020
- Implementing act for public interface: 1st of October 2021
- Entry into application:
 - Lex specialis and public interface: 2nd of February 2022
 - ❖ Information exchange on checking the establishment criteria of companies: 21st of February 2022



Posting of drivers – Front office/Back office

Front office = Public interface connected to IMI

Posting declarations

Documents provided by operator

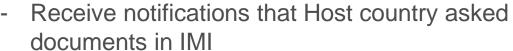
Request for documents

Back office = IMI

Access: Economic operator only

Scope/functionality:





- Submit documents requested by authorities ...

Access: National competent authorities only



Scope/functionality:

- Authorities consult the posting declarations
- Request & receive documents from Host/Home Country
- Requests and receives documents from the operators...

Posting of drivers – Roadside checks

Front office = Public interface connected to IMI

Submitted posting declarations

Back office = IMI

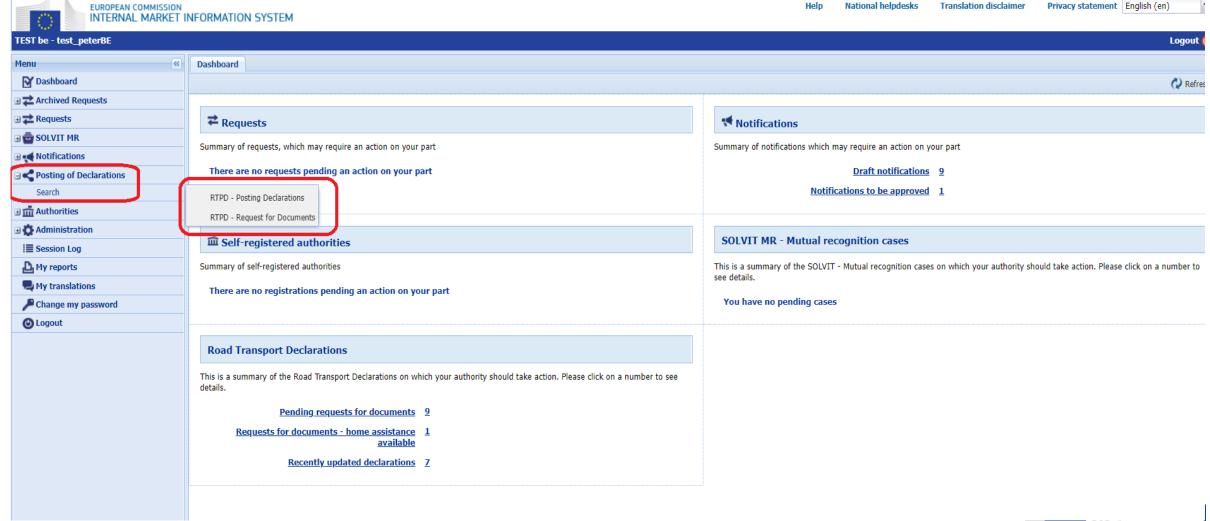
Roadside checks

Inspector to check the posting declaration (printable or electronic format) through device

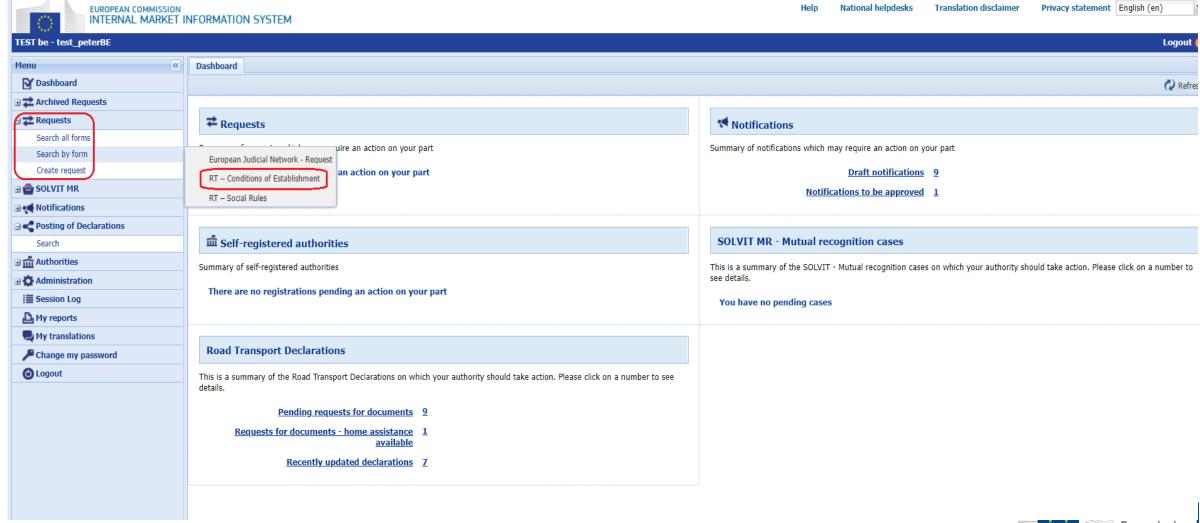
Access: Only inspectors of relevant authorities



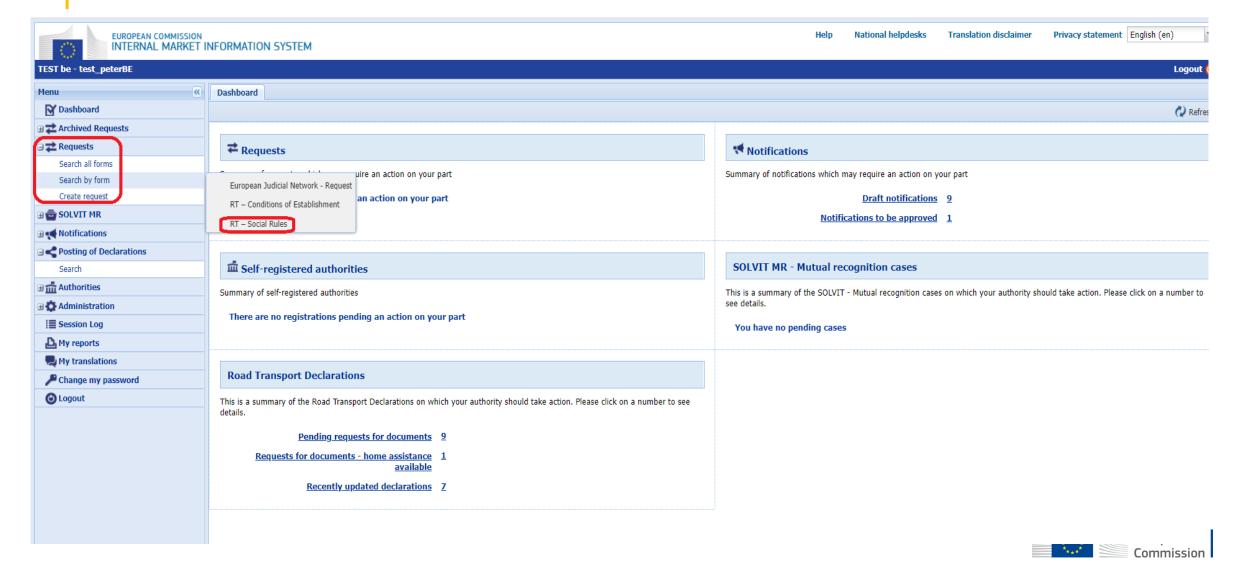
1. Posting of drivers



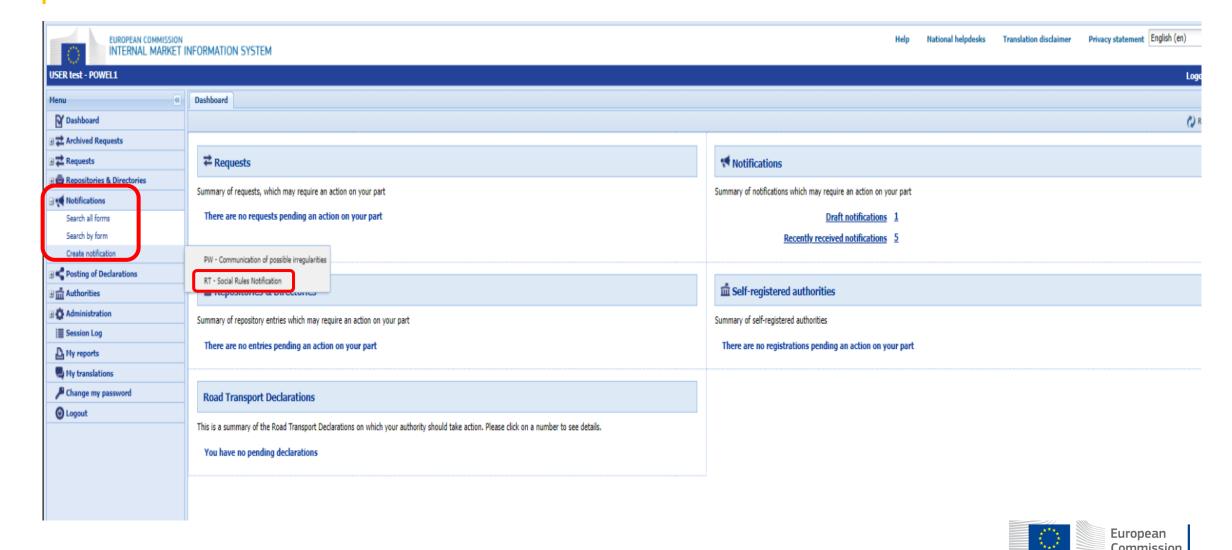
2. Conditions of establishment



3. Social Rules



3. Social Rules



Mobility Package - trainings

- Trainings in December 2021 for all three modules (back office):
 - 6 & 7 December Enforcement of Posting of Drivers (*Lex Specialis*)
 - 13 December Conditions of Establishment (letterbox companies)
 - 15 December Interpretation of Regulation 561/2006 (social rules)
- Separate trainings and information campaign for transport operators on the public front office (14-16 December)



Mobility Package - trainings

- Train the trainers format; two participants per MS
- Trainings in English
- Half day training:
 - Policy intro
 - Introduction to IMI
 - Demo of the Exchange
 - Q&A



Thank you



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