
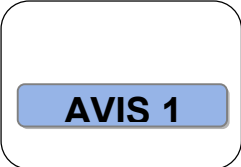


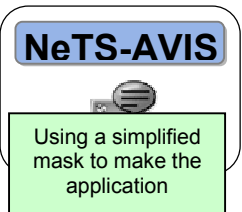


## MORE NEWS ON THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE NEW “NETS-AVIS” TOOL FOR APPLYING FOR TRAIN PATHS

15 August 2009 is the day when it all happens, implementation of the new “NeTS-AVIS” tool for applying for train paths will open up a new era. For the first time an integrated tool for applying for train paths for the annual timetable period will be available - NeTS-AVIS.

Transfer from the old tools to the new ones should be as smooth as possible for all those involved. However, in the “end to end” tests the system environment for special trains and very short term applications could not be satisfactorily managed. In consequence, we have decided to retain the existing tools for these traffics for the time being.

*Summary of the tools which may be used*

Planning horizon	To be implemented on 15 August 2009	Transitional solution until further notice	Goal
Updates to applications for the 2010 annual timetable (JUP) Including cancellations		<i>implemented</i>	<i>achieved</i>
Short term ad hoc applications for the current timetable 2010	-		
Very short term ad hoc applications for the current timetable 2010	-		

NeTS will offer railway undertakings the option of being able to create lists, abstracts and printouts themselves. Accordingly, with effect from 13 August 2009, infrastructure managers will no longer provide printouts Z506C, CEx/Post and ZINAL.

## Training

Courses for applicants for train paths in the 2010 annual timetable have already been run successfully. One-day courses for other planning horizons are being offered to applicants. These one day courses are intended to pass on the principles and the practical skills and offer the opportunity to become familiar with NeTS-AVIS by using practical examples. Dates for these courses are being rearranged because of the new dates for systems' implementation. Once these dates are fixed, railway undertakings will be notified. Please contact Christoph Lüthi direct (details below) if you have questions on the normal courses or would like a tailor-made course for your undertaking.

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Applications for ad hoc train paths in the current timetable

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