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Cross-the-border commuter survey

For reasons to which we will come back shortly, the <u>M-Pass</u> yearly season ticket, which covers the whole Luxembourg national network and was proposed, from 1 January 2014, to the staff of the Court of Justice and other EU-institutions, stalled, thus making its future uncertain. Indeed, Luxembourg has offered the European institutions a 30% discount, provided that subscribers of all institutions reach the number of 1000 within three years. In the first year of its implementation, the *M-Pass* attracted a very weak number of fans.

One of the reasons for poor staff adherence to the *M-Pass* is that it is not valid beyond the borders of the Grand Duchy or beyond some points close to the border of the Grand Duchy which are mentioned in the attached text see section 3).

For longer distances beyond the borders of the Grand Duchy, a positive example worth mentioning is the <u>FlexPass</u>, which is **complementary** to the M-Pass, but which applies only to the French railway (<u>in FR</u> only, see section 4).

In order to extend the benefit of the M-Pass at all cross-the-border colleagues, EPSU-CJ is coordinating its action with Luxembourg trade unions. Replying to the questionnaire attached will help us to better target the problems and better support this claim in our dealings with the authorities.