



Flagship Area 1:

Network management planning and control & Mobility Management in
a multimodal environment



FP1 MOTIONAL
European Rail Network and Mobility Management

EU-Rail FP1 Info session

Teams meeting 04.12.2025

14:00-16:00 (CET)

Time	Topic	Responsibility
5 min	Welcome	HACON
15 min	Project Overview and Structure	HACON
15 min	Workstream 1.1 - Planning	HACON
15 min	Workstream 1.2 - Operations	HACON
15 min	Workstream 1.3 - Multimodal integration	HACON
15 min	Workstream 2 – Digital enablers	HACON
10 min	Dissemination and Communication	
	Q&A	

FP1 Project Overview and Structure



To deliver a fully integrated European railway network for citizens and cargo

OBJECTIVES

- Single European Railway Area
- Transition to integrate European rail system into the wider mobility system
- Strong European rail industry

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- Integrated, sustainable and resilient European railway system
- Unified operational concept and a functional, safe, and secure system architecture
- Competitive green rail freight
- Strong and globally competitive European rail industry
- Synergies with other EU policies, programmes, initiatives, instruments, or funds



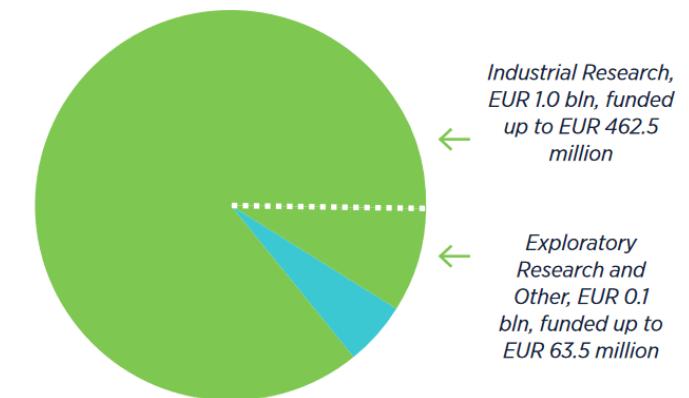
A strong, competitive European rail industry enabling a green and digital Europe.

Total Value of the EU-Rail Program is estimated at EUR 1.2 bln

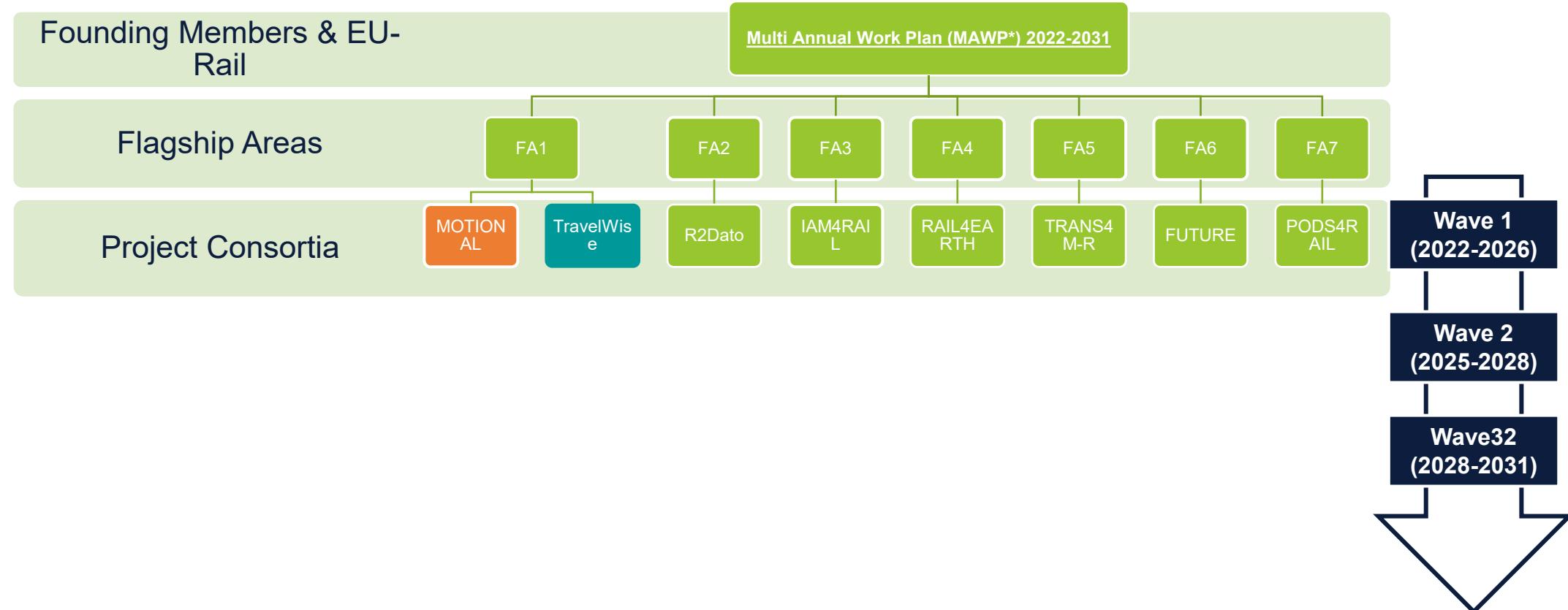
Innovation Pillar	2021 – 2031 (in EUR million)	Multi Annual Call 2022 (in EUR million)
 Flagship Area 1: Network management planning and control & Mobility Management in a multimodal environment & Transversal Topics: Digital Enablers	173.7	87.4
 Flagship Area 2: Digital & Automated up to Autonomous Train Operations	251.9	121.5
 Flagship Area 3: Intelligent & Integrated asset management	217.4	104.2
 Flagship Area 4: A sustainable and green rail system	169.2	89.7
 Flagship Area 5: Sustainable Competitive Digital Green Rail Freight Services	136.3	95.5
 Flagship Area 6: Regional rail services / Innovative rail services to revitalise capillary lines	82.3	37.7
 Flagship Area 7: Innovation on new approaches for guided transport modes	15.7	7.3
Total	1046,5	543,3

 **System Pillar: EUR 58.8 million, funded up to EUR 50.0 million**

 **Innovation Pillar: EUR 1.1 bln**



Structure of EU Calls



Objective

Make rail the preferred mode of transport in Europe through improved railway planning and operational management



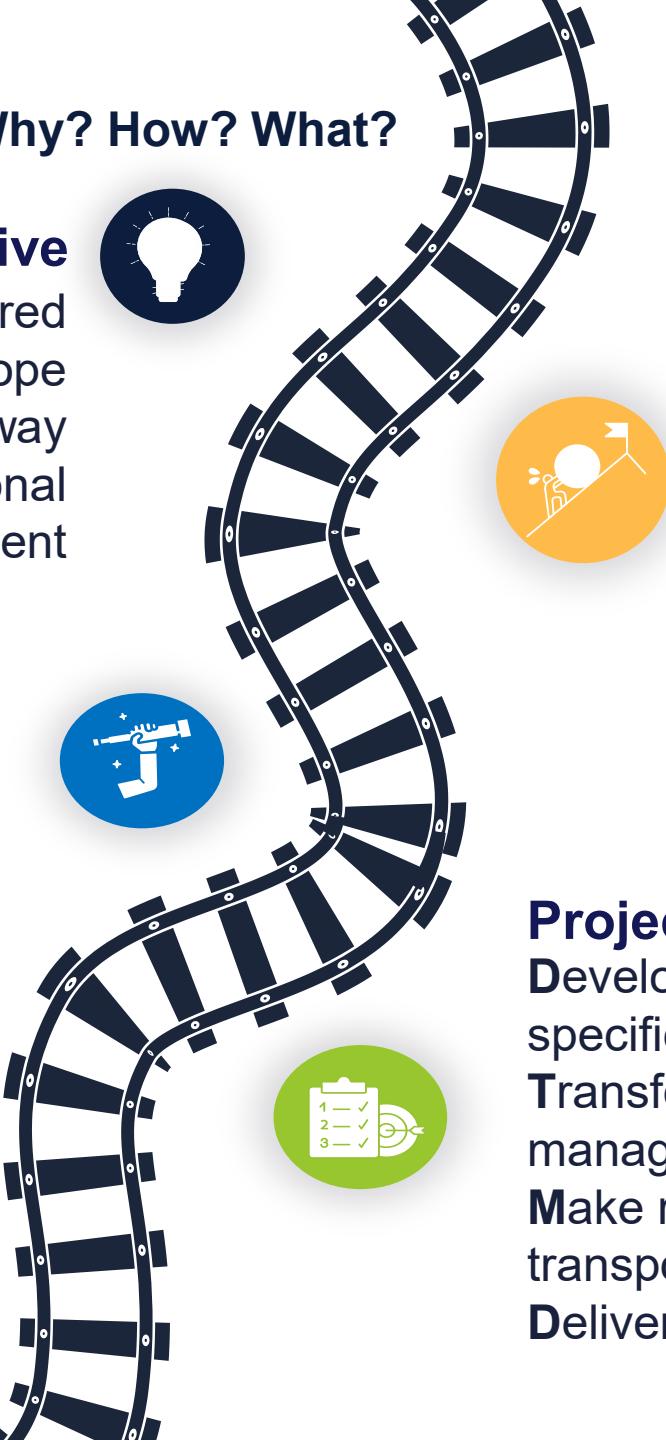
Vision of the future European Railway System

Interoperable and resilient

Adaptive capacity

Integration of services, including first/last mile operations

Exploitation of digitalization opportunities



Current Challenges

Network Complexity

National/regional management with legacy systems

Poor digitalization and weak integration (between rail systems and with other modes)

Demand for international trains

Project Goals

Develop functional requirements, specifications, and solutions

Transform capacity planning and traffic management systems (increase automation)

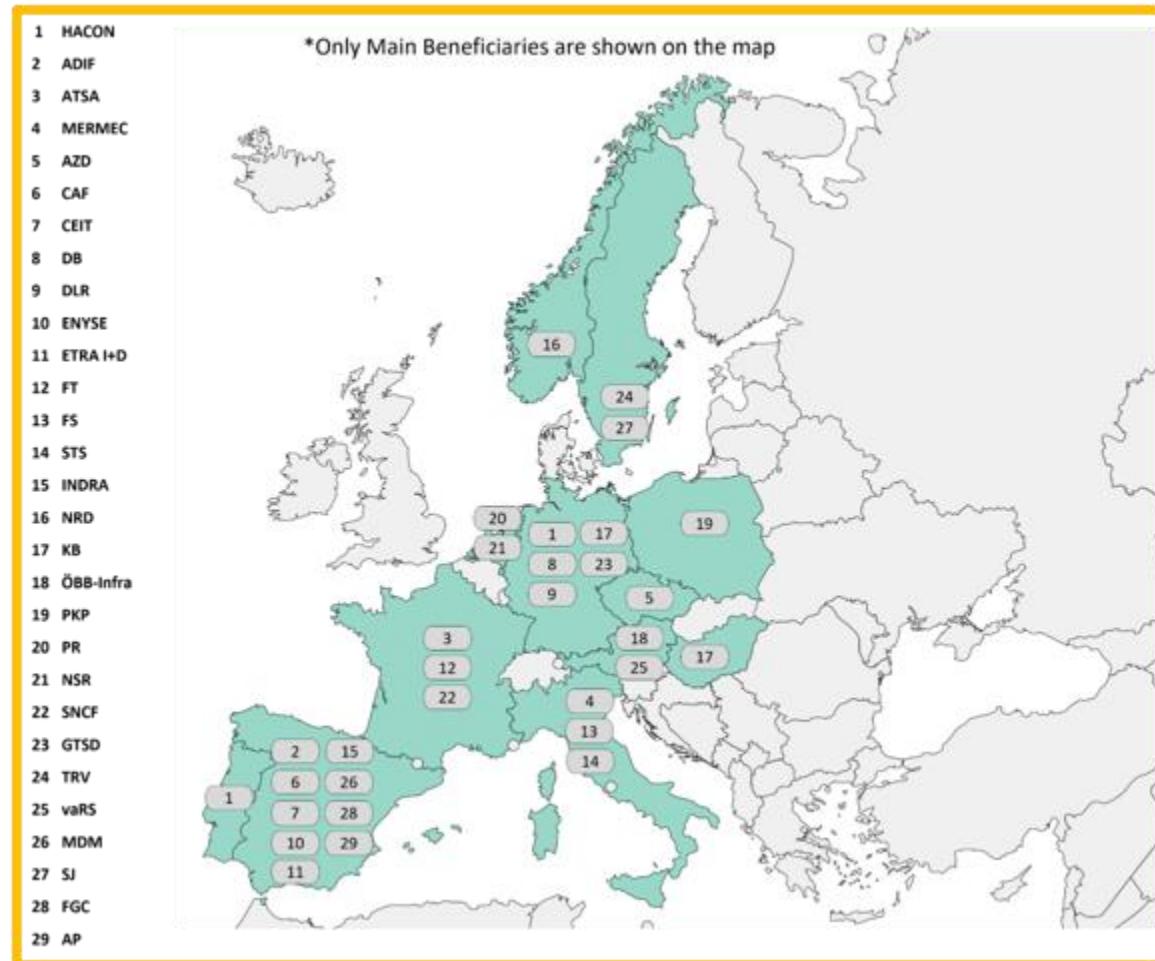
Make rail the backbone of a multimodal transport system

Deliver Digital enablers

Project Partners and Details



Call	HORIZON-ER-JU-2022-01	
Topics	HORIZON-ER-JU-2022-FA1-TT-01 Network management planning and control & Mobility Management in a multimodal environment and Digital Enables	Max Grant Amount 37.875.973,46 € Total Project Costs 92.600.000 € Project Duration 46 months Number of partners 94
Linked Actions	FP2, FP3, FP4, FP5, FP6	



<https://rail-research.europa.eu/rail-projects/fp1-motional/>

Railway Planning

Objective: Improve strategic and tactical planning of the networks (*Capacity Management*)

Expected results:

Cross border planning and integrated capacity planning

Advanced algorithms and decision support tools

Simulation and operational feedback



Digitalisation – Automation – Connectivity

Railway Operation

Objective: Taking advantage of the potential of digitalization, operational and technological solutions are developed for different business areas, paving the way to the future European Rail Traffic Management Systems (*Network Management*)

Integration of Traffic Management Systems (TMS) and processes

Linking TMS to Automatic Train Operation (ATO)/Connected Driver Advisory Board System (C-DAS) for optimized operations

Automated decisions and decision support for traffic management optimization

Improved resilience and efficiency in disruption management

Multimodal Integration

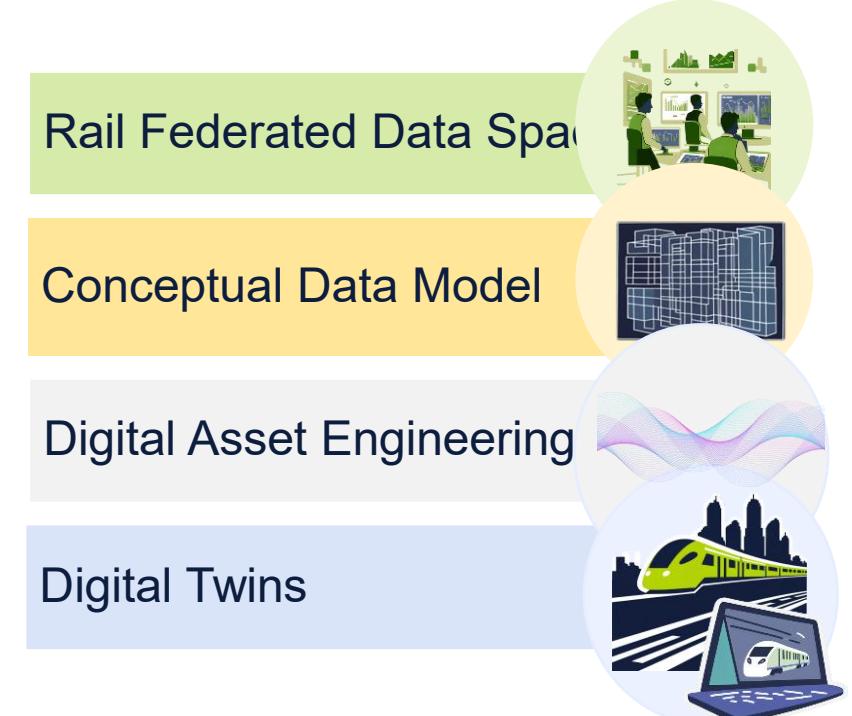
Objective: Make Rail the backbone of Multimodality



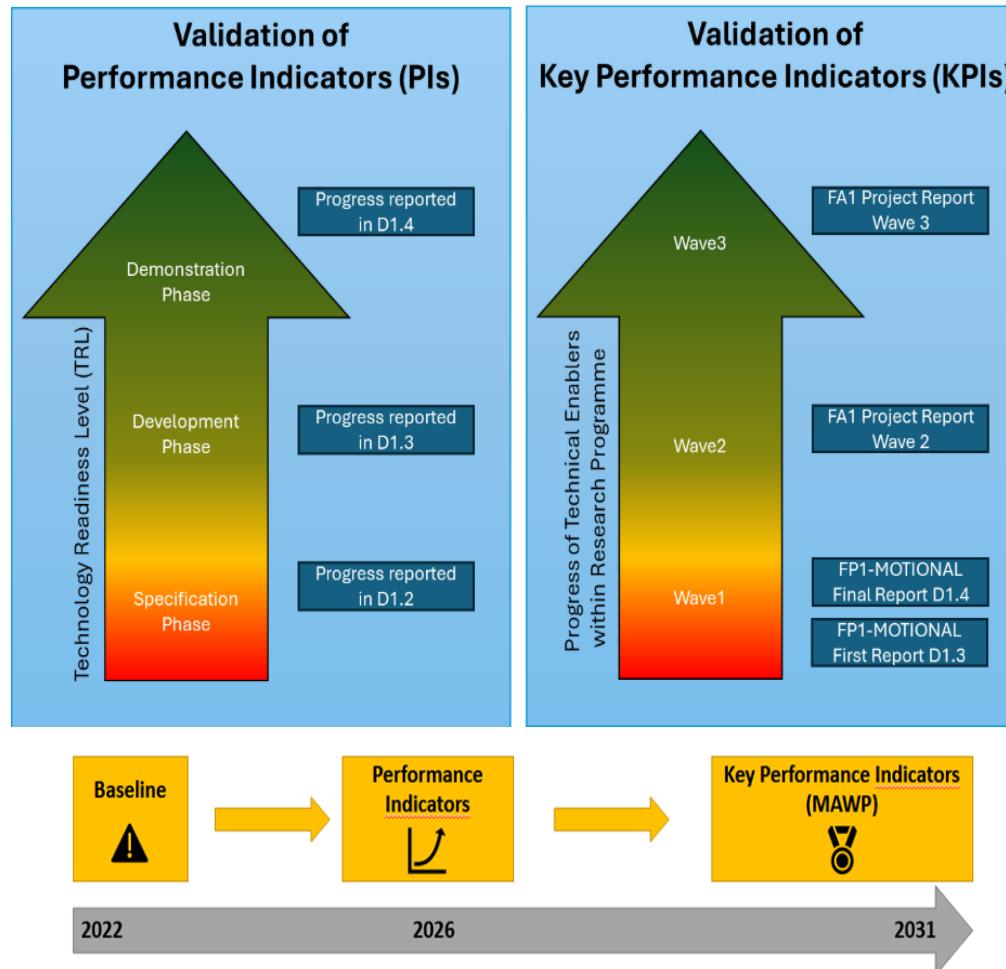
Transforming the European rail system, making it more interoperable, resilient, capacity strong, intermodal

Digital Enablers

Objective: Digitally transform the European Rail System by implementing specialized applications and common enablers



KPIs towards EU impact



FP5 TRANSPORT4M-R
Transforming Europe's Rail Freight

Rail
FP4 EARTH

Travel Wise
FA1

NEXUS

FP6-FutuRe
Cost effective regional lines

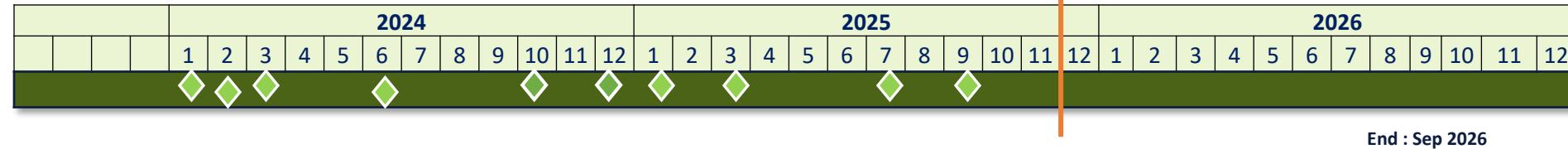
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FP2 R2DATO

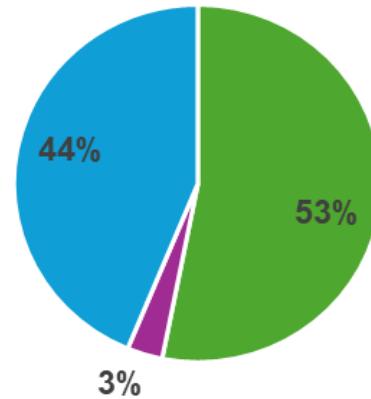
Ongoing interactions and alignment discussions with other FP projects for knowledge exchange, advisory board participation, sharing updates and best practices within each project (e.g., data sharing topic, TMS interface, automated decision support for traffic at regional level, and many other topics).

Overall Status

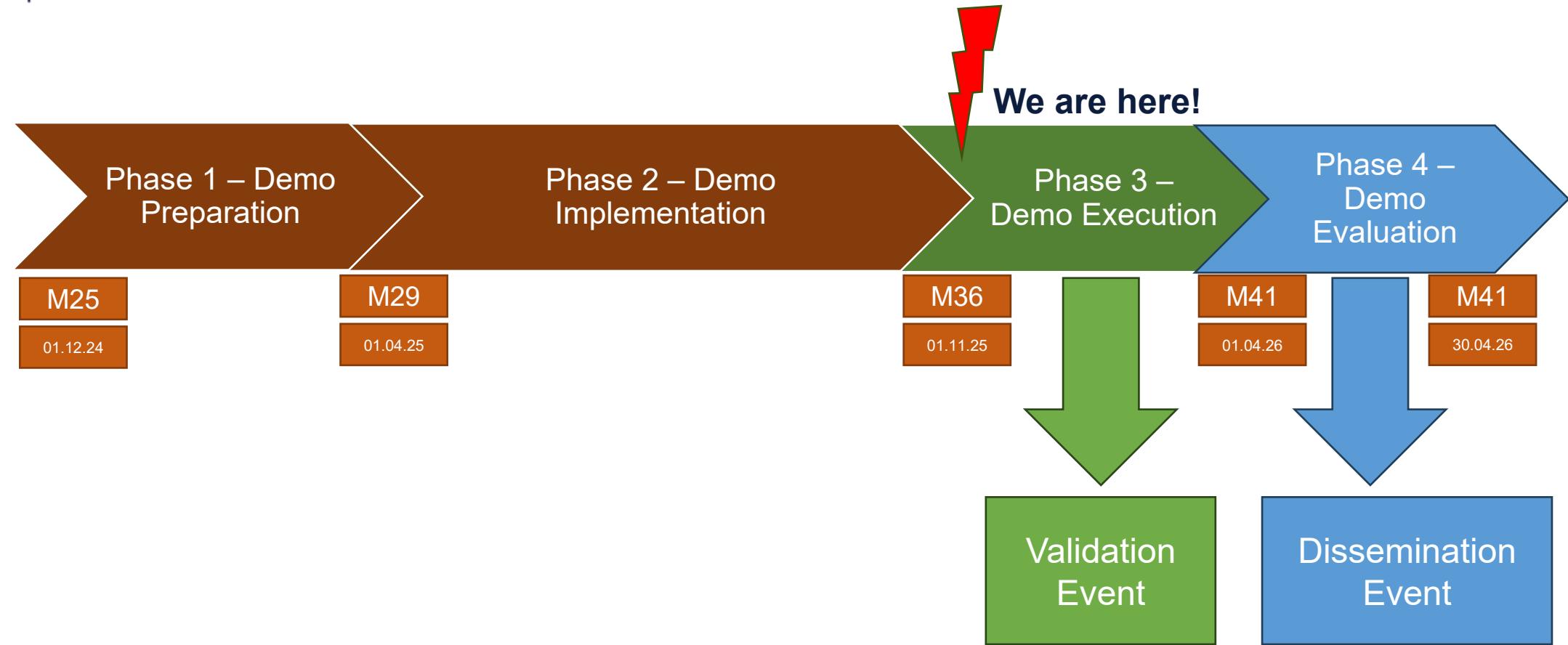
Deliverable Status

■ Approved ■ Submitted ■ Ongoing



No	MCP	Milestone name	Status
12	MCP6	Maturity check point – Prototype validation 1 (Development) – TRL 4-5	Done
13	MCP7	Maturity check point – Update 2 CDM, Additional DT and Connector specification TRL 1-3	Ongoing
14		KPIs testbed and benchmark methodology	Done
15		Alignment and identification of dependencies between all demonstrations of the project	Done
16	MCP8	Maturity check point – WS 1 input delivery 4 to WS2 – TRL 1-3	Done
17	MCP9	Maturity check point – WS 1 input delivery 5 to WS2 – TRL 1-3, TRL5 demonstrators to FP3, FP5, FP6	Ongoing
18	MCP10	Maturity check point – Update 3 CDM, Additional Connector specification – TRL 1-3	Ongoing
19		FP1 to FP2 delivery 1	Not started
20		FP1 to FP2 delivery 2	Not started
27		Intermediate report on KPI and impact delivered to the JU	Ongoing

FP1 Demonstration phase



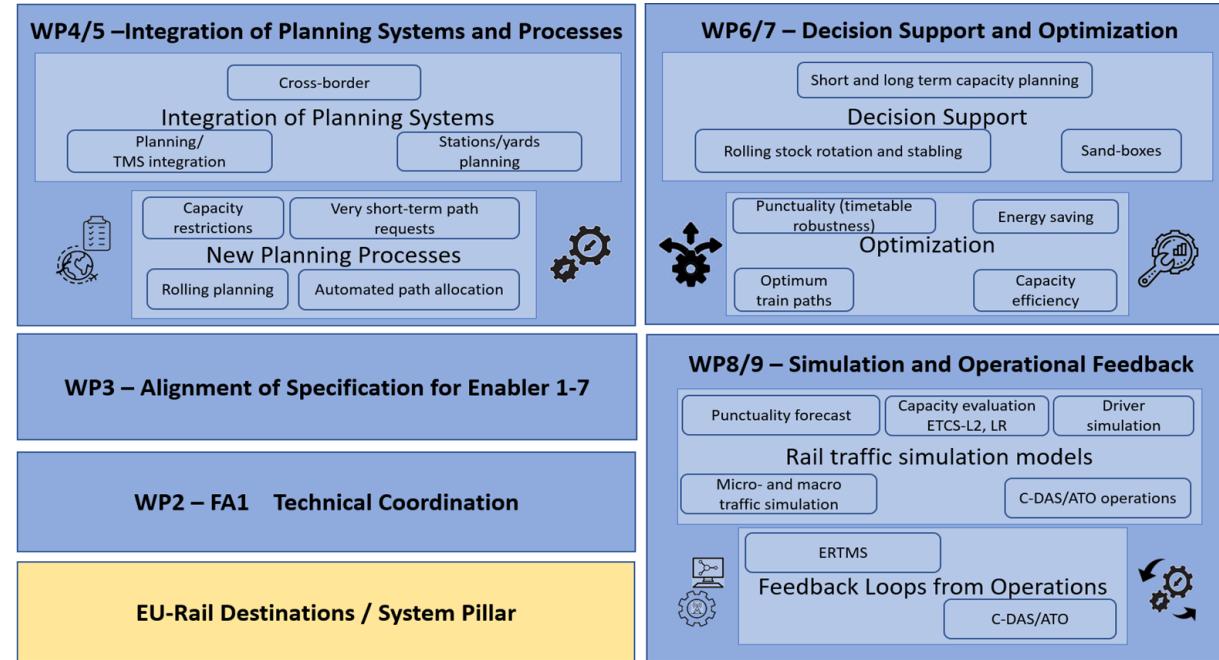
		2025	Q1 2026	Q2 2026
WS 1.1 Planning	WP5		D5.2, D5.4, D5.7	D5.1, D5.3, D5.5, D5.6
	WP7			D7.1, D7.2, D7.3, D7.4, D7.5, D7.6, D7.7, D7.8, D7.9, D7.10,
	WP9	D9.5, D9.11	D9.1, D9.4, D9.5, D9.7, D9.8, D9.9, D9.10	D9.2, D9.3, D9.6
WS1.2 Operations	WP12		D12.1, D12.2, D12.3, D12.4, D12.8 D12.9	D12.5, D12.6, D12.7
	WP14			D14.1, D14.3, D14.4
	WP16			D16.1, D16.2, D16.3, D16.4, D16.5, D16.6, D16.7, D16.8, D16.9
	WP18		D18.1, D18.5	D18.2, D18.3, D18.4, D18.6, D18.7, D18.8, D18.9
WS1.3 Multimodal integration	WP21		D21.3, D21.4 (Lux), D21.5	D21.2, D21.4 (Sweden), D21.6
	WP23	D23.2, D23.4	D23.1, D23.3, D23.5	
	WP25	D25.5	D25.1, D25.2, D25.3, D25.4, D25.5	D25.2
WS2 Digital Enablers	WP27			D27.5
	WP29		D29.1, D29.2, D29.3, D29.4	
	WP31		D31.2+D31.3, D31.4	

Workstream 1.1 - Planning Progress and achievements



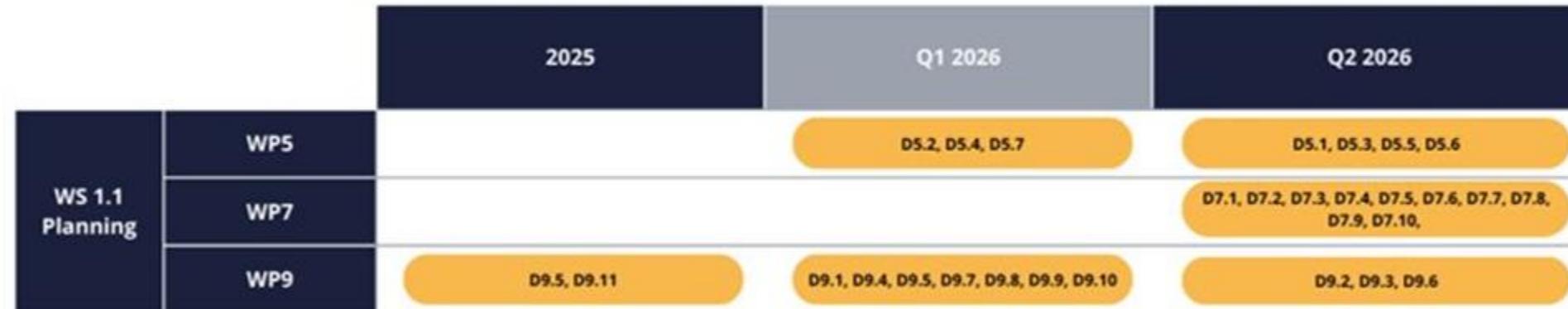
- Planned intermediate maturity achieved:**
Finalized development of the design, requirements and use cases for capacity management developments in scope of WP 5, 7 and 9 to achieve their targeted TRL.

- Demo preparation finalized, demo execution started:** 28 demonstrations to be performed in workstream 1.1.
 - Prepare and process demonstration data and demonstration environments
 - Define demonstration tests and define demonstrations outcomes and how to measure
 - preparing validation event, end-user interaction
 - Running of first test cases in the environments.



WS 1.1 Planning - Achievements

- **Validation events:** Ongoing planning of validation events with involved stakeholders and end-users.
- **Dissemination events:** Initial planning and preparation of dissemination events including sales pitches.
- **System Pillar and RNE alignment:** Regular interaction meetings with System Pillar Task 3 about capacity management and traffic management, topics to mention FP1 cross border demons and federated European traffic management. Railway Co-operative Decision making (sharing real time data with time stamps between actors), FP1 demo Malmö and handbook RNE.



Event 4 – Intelligent Planning

"When algorithms create better plans than humans"
May-June TBC
Paris TBC

SG1-SG3, 28 demos

Event 3 – Cross Border Integration

"Making Europe's railways truly European"
13th of May
Stockholm / Hybrid

SG1-SG2, 8 demos

Timetable and capacity simulation of new DATO-technologies in signalling and train operation

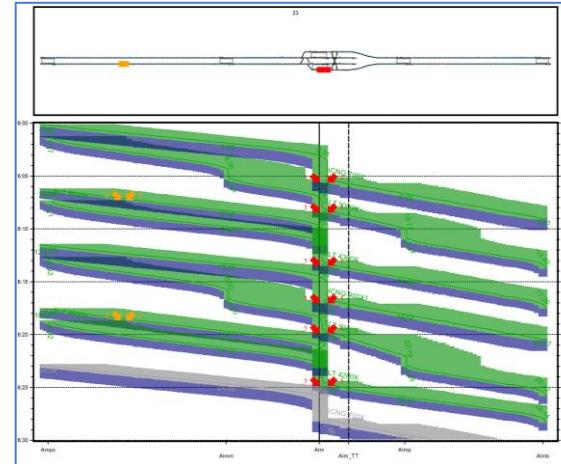
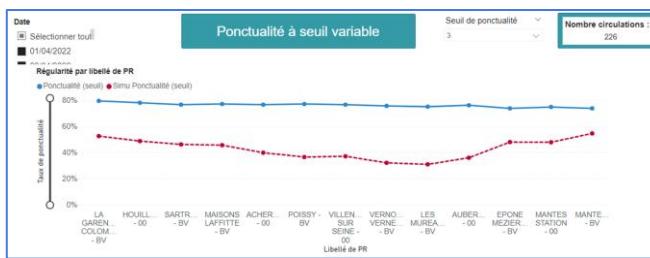
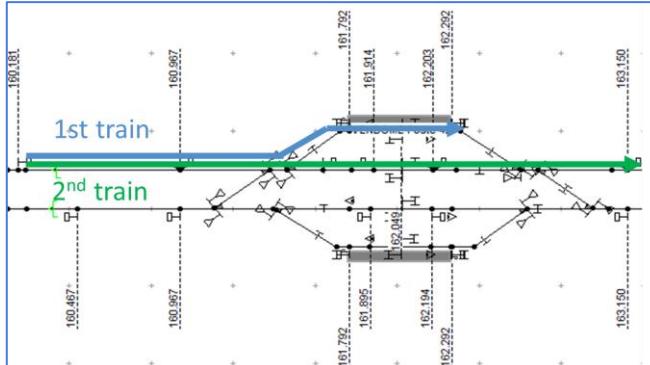
EXAMPLE

Development of new DATO-technologies for signalling and train operation. Their impact is maximised when effects are understood and integrated in timetable planning and capacity simulation tools. The technologies are:

- ERTMS HTD (Hybrid Train Detection, former HL3)
- ATO (Automatic Train Operation)
- NG Brake (Next Generation Brake)
- C-DAS (Connected Driver Advisory Systems)

All partners perform their studies with the same simulation tool. Our combined research leads to methods that don't have to be developed by each partner gaining in efficiency and quality.

The results of these studies are input for other FPs to further develop the technologies and analyse their cost-benefit ratios. In such way the most effective and efficient applications can be chosen.



FP1-MOTIONAL Demos
9.5, 9.6 and 9.10

Joint demo by:

France


Sweden




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The Netherlands
ProRail

(NS)

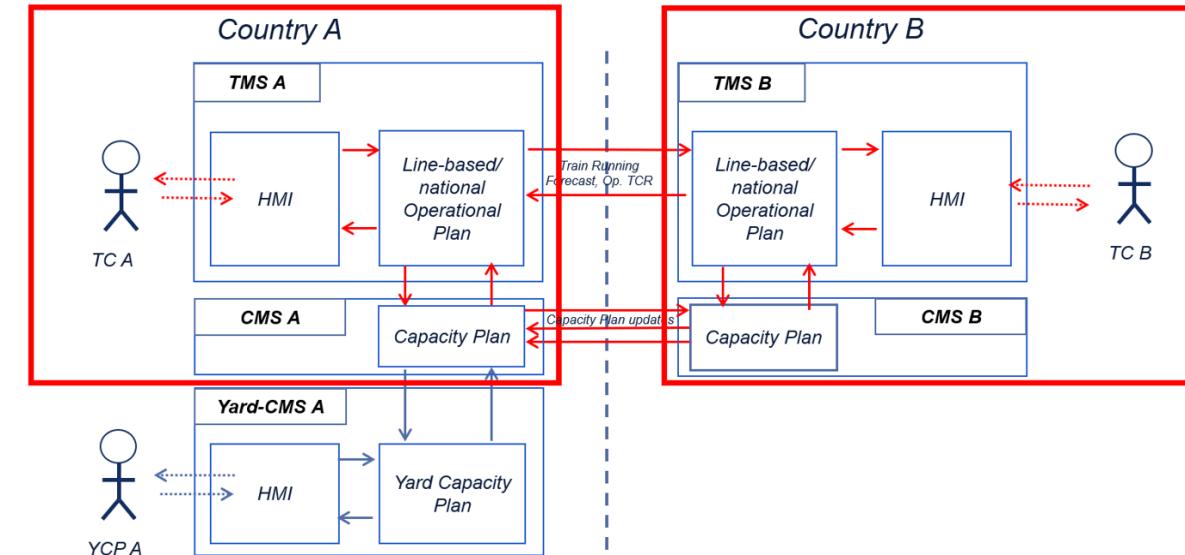
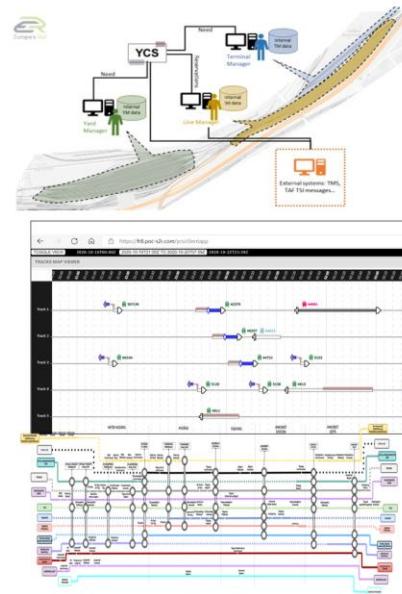

8 scenarios spread over Europe

WS	Topic	Partner	Demo number	EU Motivation
1.1 & 1.2	Demo YCS Malmö Co-operative planning node corridor	TRV	5.4, 12.8	Solution support cross border operations, sharing information to handle disturbances
1.1 & 1.2	Integrated demo: Demo Cross-border TMS/CMS	HACON, TRV, and NRW/ Bane-NOR	5.3, 5.5, 5.6, 12.6	Harmonizing EU-wide capacity planning and TMS/CMS interfaces



YCS – Yard Coordination System Collaborative Decision Making

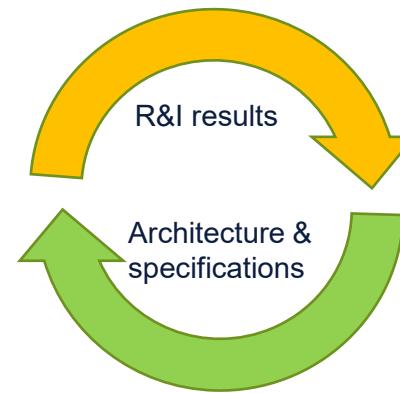
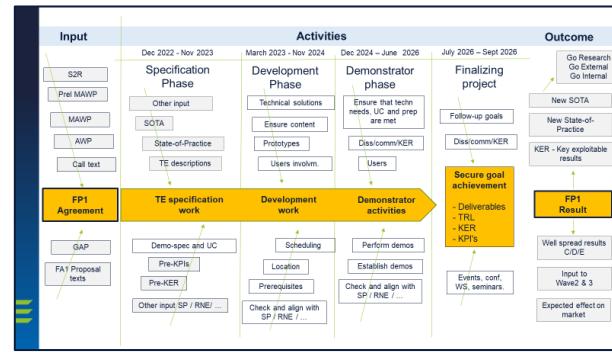
- Demonstrator Malmö Marshalling Yard TRL 6
- Co-operation between
 - Trafikverket line manager
 - Green Cargo, Marshalling Yard
 - Mertz, Combiterminal
- YCS – Active planning of track allocation and optimisation functionality
- Connected to Digital graph and Deplide datasharing platform real time information – not logger a black hole
- Collaborative Decision Making – sharing timestamps between actors according to a "metro map"



Demo Cross-border TMS/CMS

FP1 and SP/RNE interaction for improving the European rail system
to **agree** and establish **working arrangement** and address **critical issues**

FP1 Logic



System Pillar Task 3 CMS/TMS



- Overall system Architecture
- System requirement
- Standardisation and regulation

Respect for each other's interests and roles

FP1 Motional

- Secure demonstration quality
- To give input to necessary harmonisation activities
- Alignment for visions, timing, specifications
- Unified ambition, communication and glossary

SystemPillar CMS-TMS

- Design principles and architecture of the target system
- Harmonisation and standardization supporting SERA
- Providing technical specifications to feed into standards or TSI
- Alignment with and between flagship projects

RNE

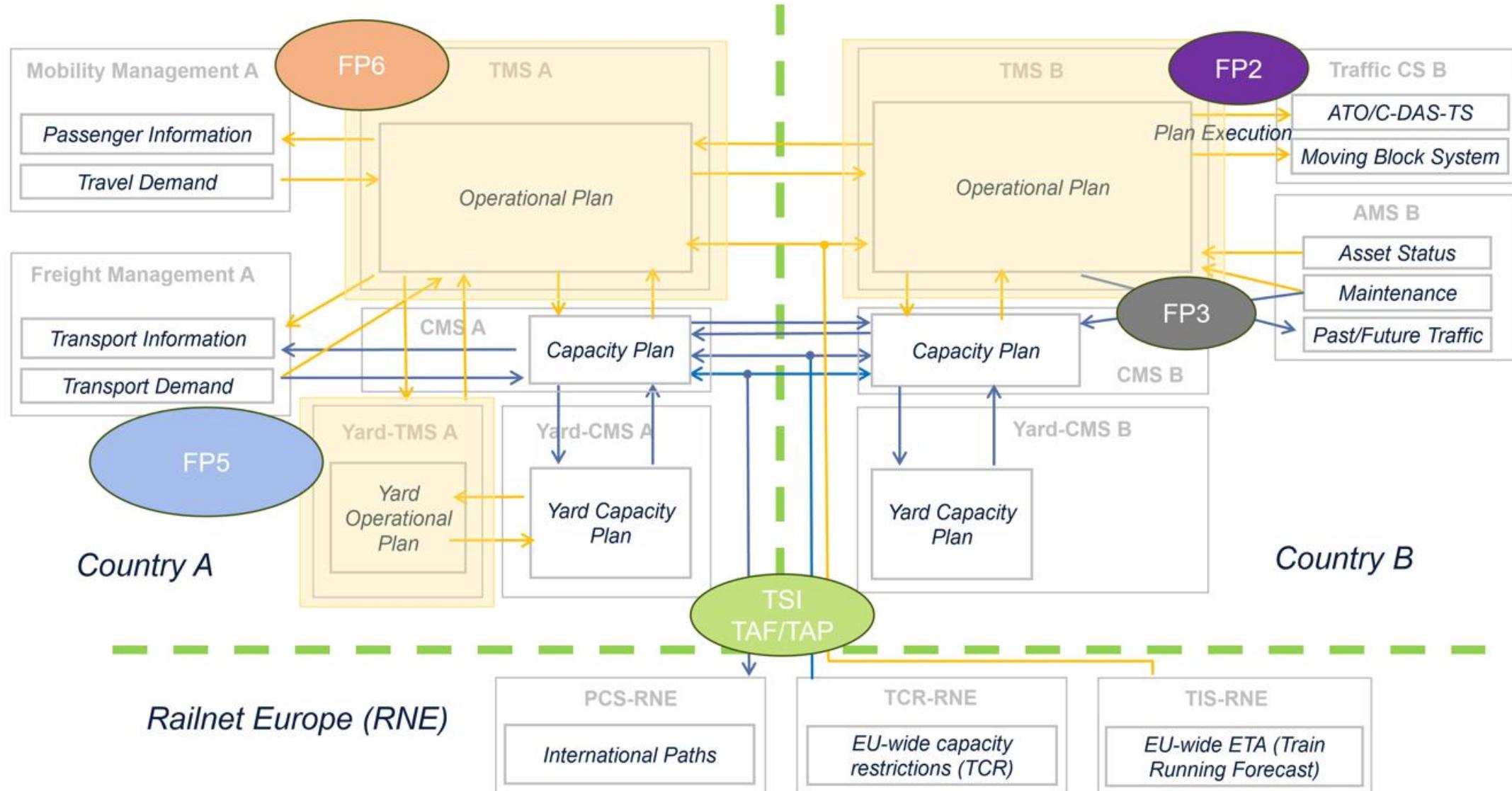
- Assure integration of RNE/sector initiatives/project in the SystemPillar
- Avoid scope overlaps with FP1 projects
- Ensure alignment with a IMs requests in CM and TM
- Give recommendations on demonstrations

Secure goal achievement by results

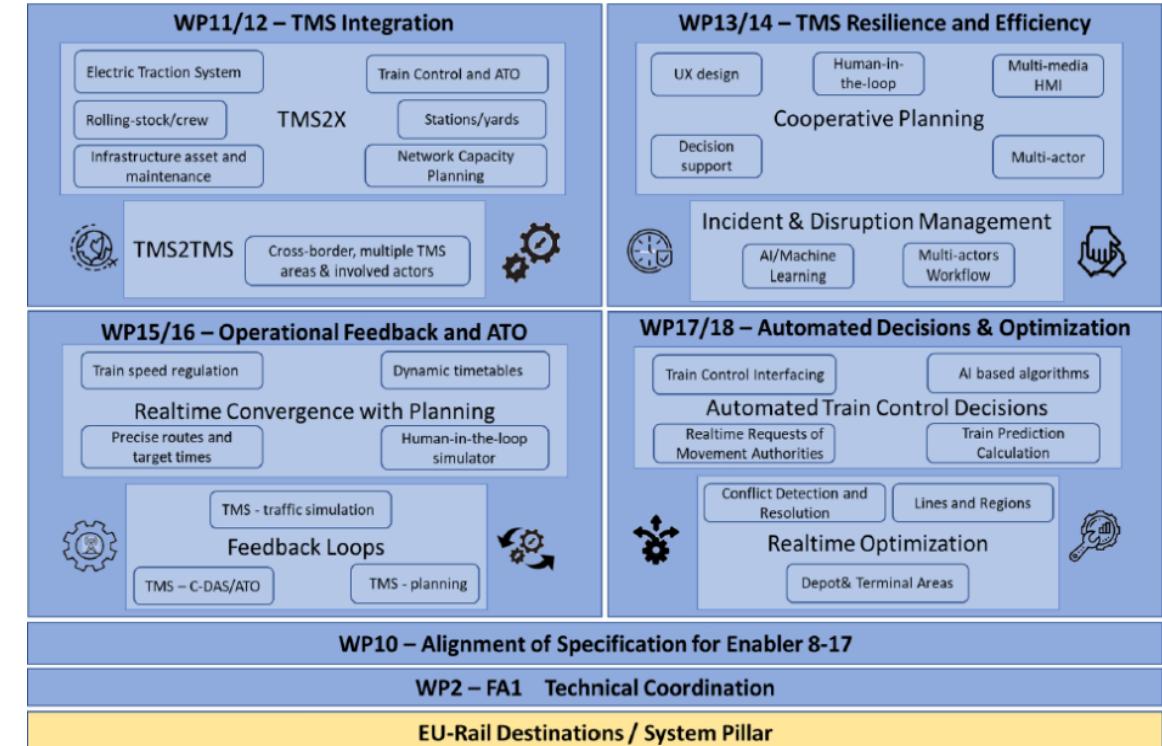
Workstream 1.2 - Operation Progress and achievements



MOTIONAL System Approach in WS 1.2 (TMS)

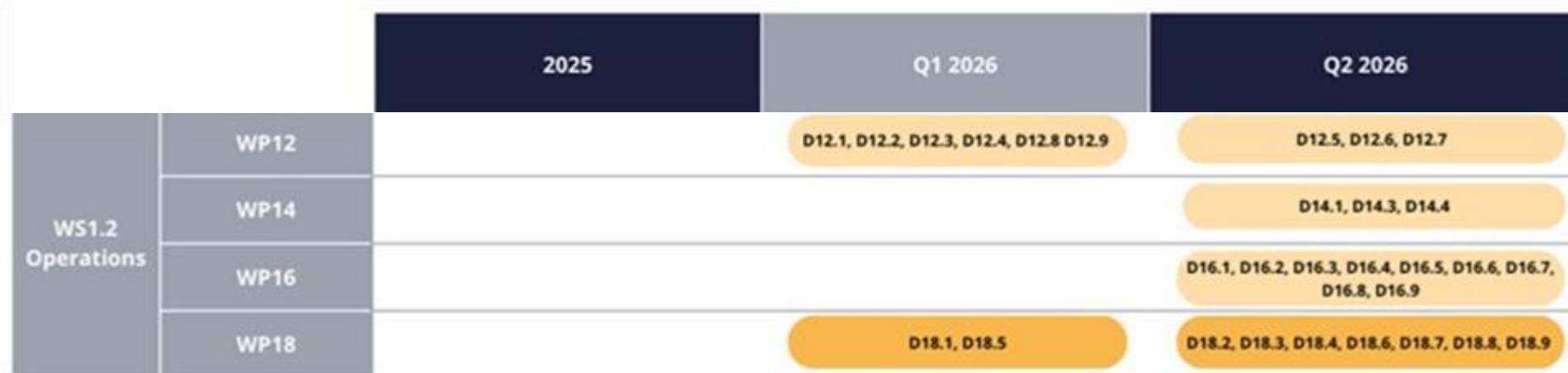


- Planned intermediate maturity achieved:**
Finalized development of the design, requirements and use cases for the TMS developments in scope of WP12, 14, 16 and 18 to achieve their targeted TRL.
- Demo preparation finalized:** 31 demonstrations to be performed in workstream 1.2.
 - Data identification, acquisition and preparation for feeding the demonstration environments.
 - Set-up of technical demonstration environments for performing the demonstration cases based on the identified Use Cases and requirements. Running of first test cases in the environments.



WS Operations 1.2 - Achievements

- **Validation events:** Initial planning of validation events with involved stakeholders and end-users.
- **Dissemination events:** Initial planning and preparation of dissemination events including sales pitches.
- **System Pillar alignment:** Bi-weekly interaction meetings with System Pillar Task 3 (CMS/TMS)



Event 5 – Real-Time Intelligence

"The thinking railway responds faster than problems can spread"

SG2-SG3, 25 demos

17th or 24th of June 2026

Utrecht / Hybrid



Event 4 – Intelligent Planning

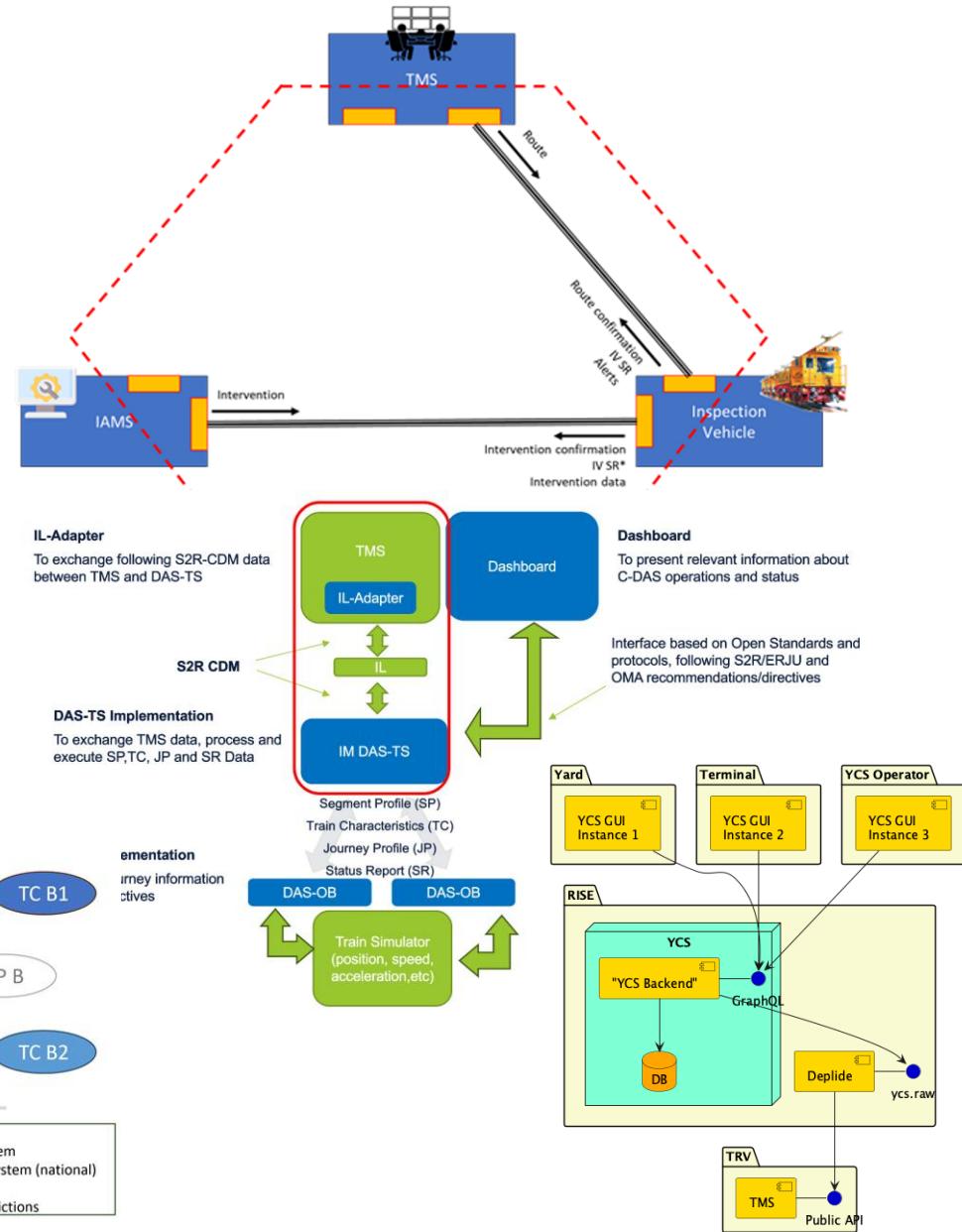
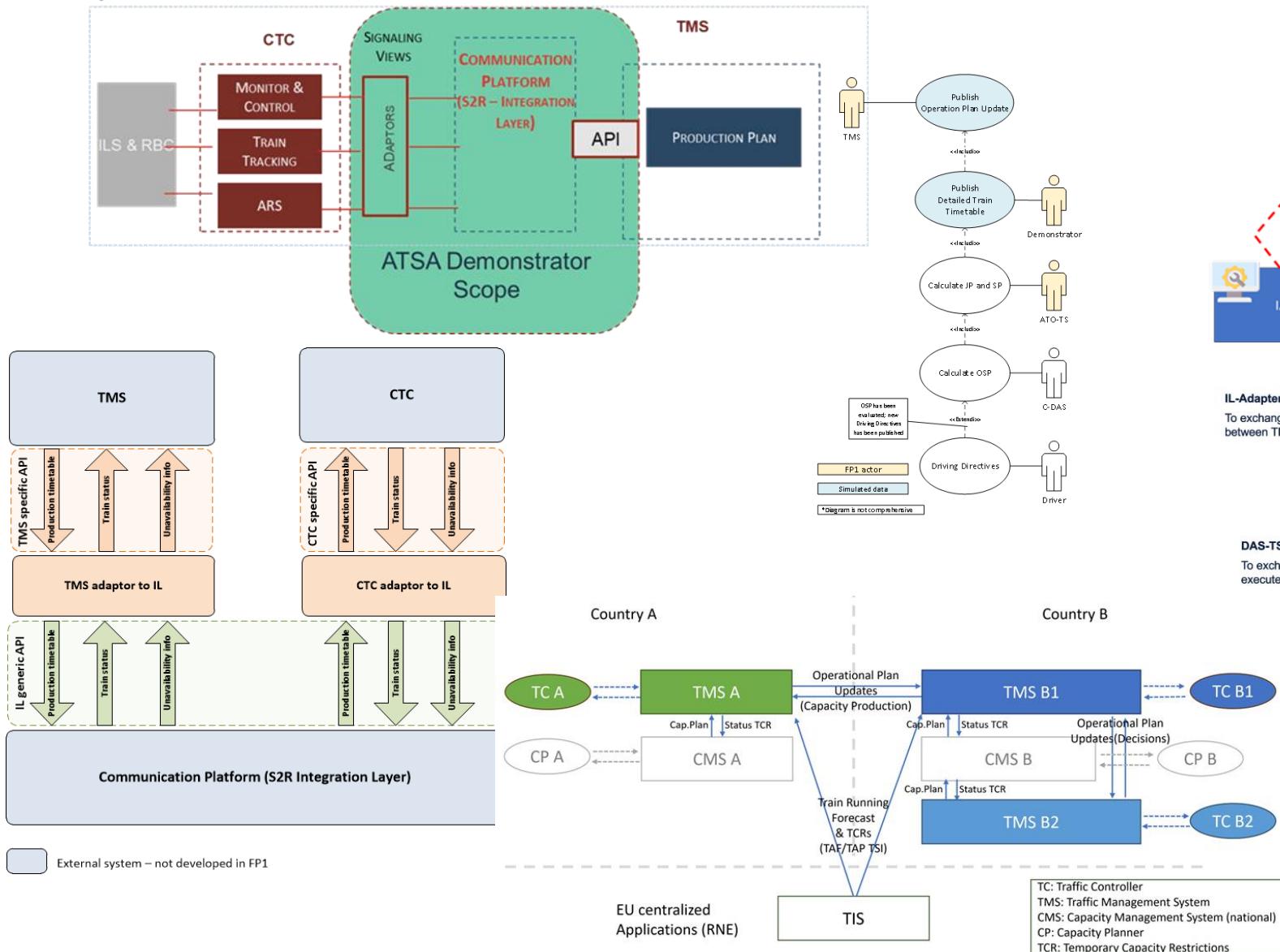
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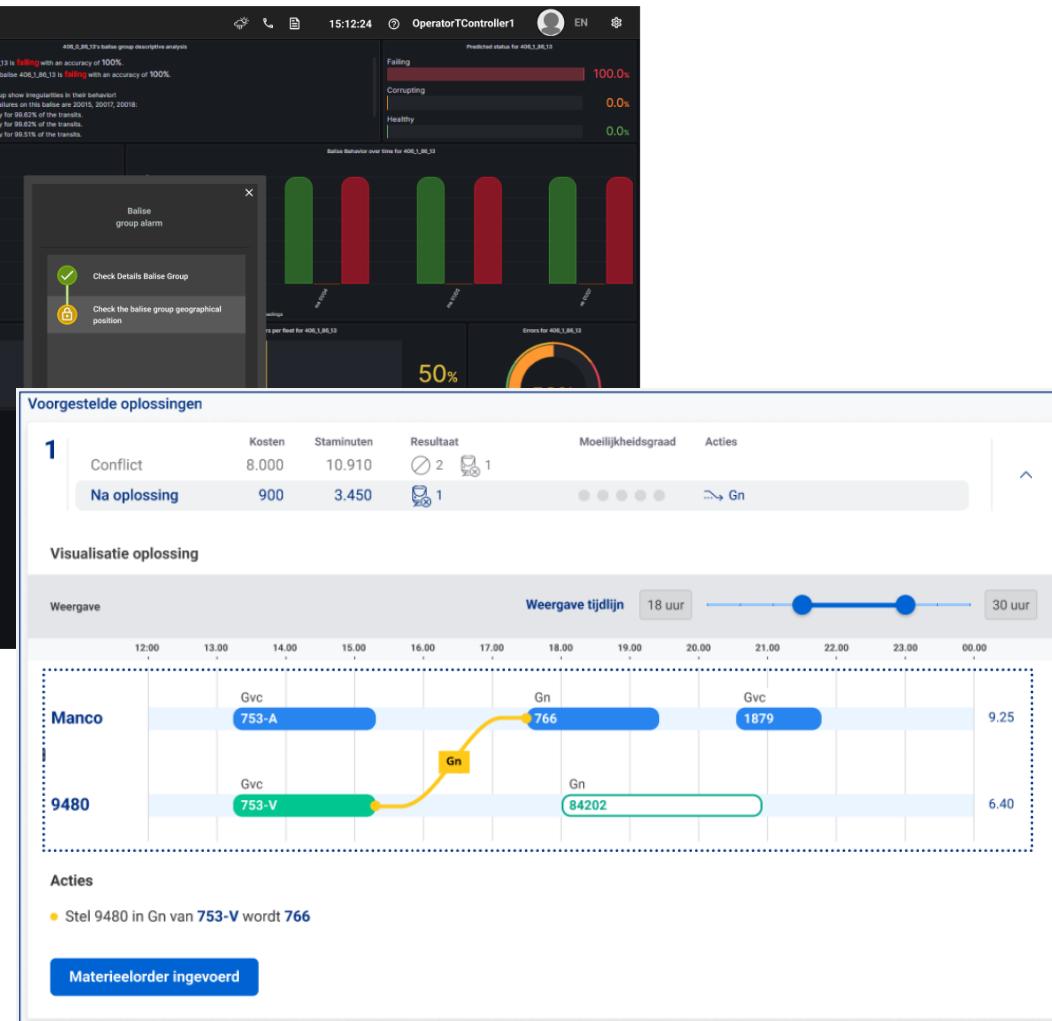
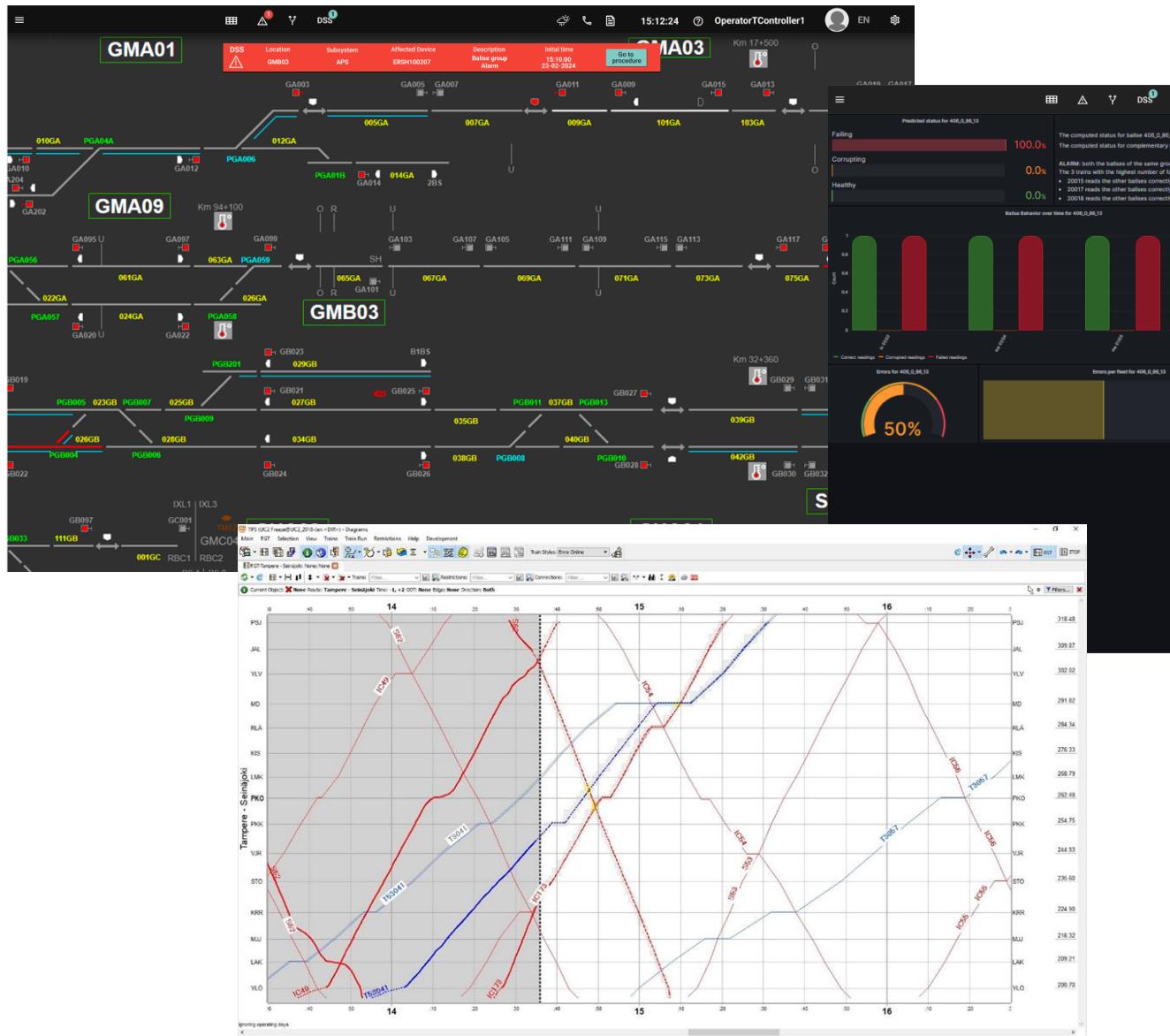
Paris TBC

SG1-SG3, 28 demos

WP11/12 demonstrations



WP13/14 demonstrations



WP15/16 demonstrations

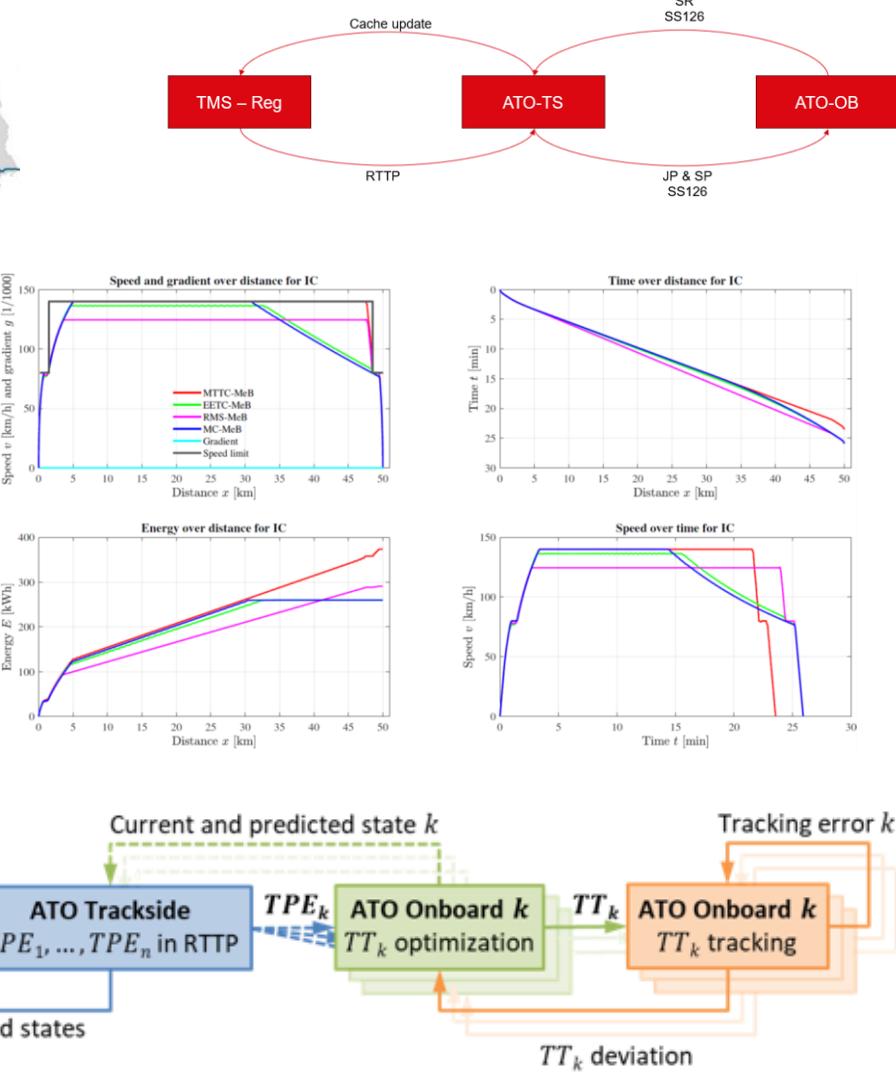
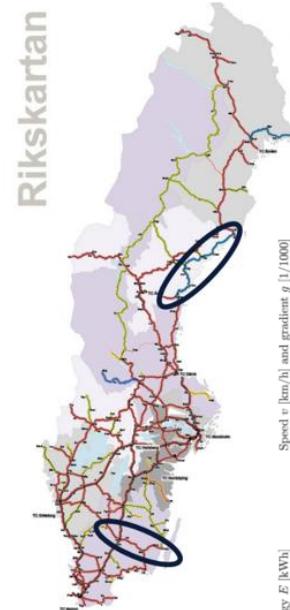
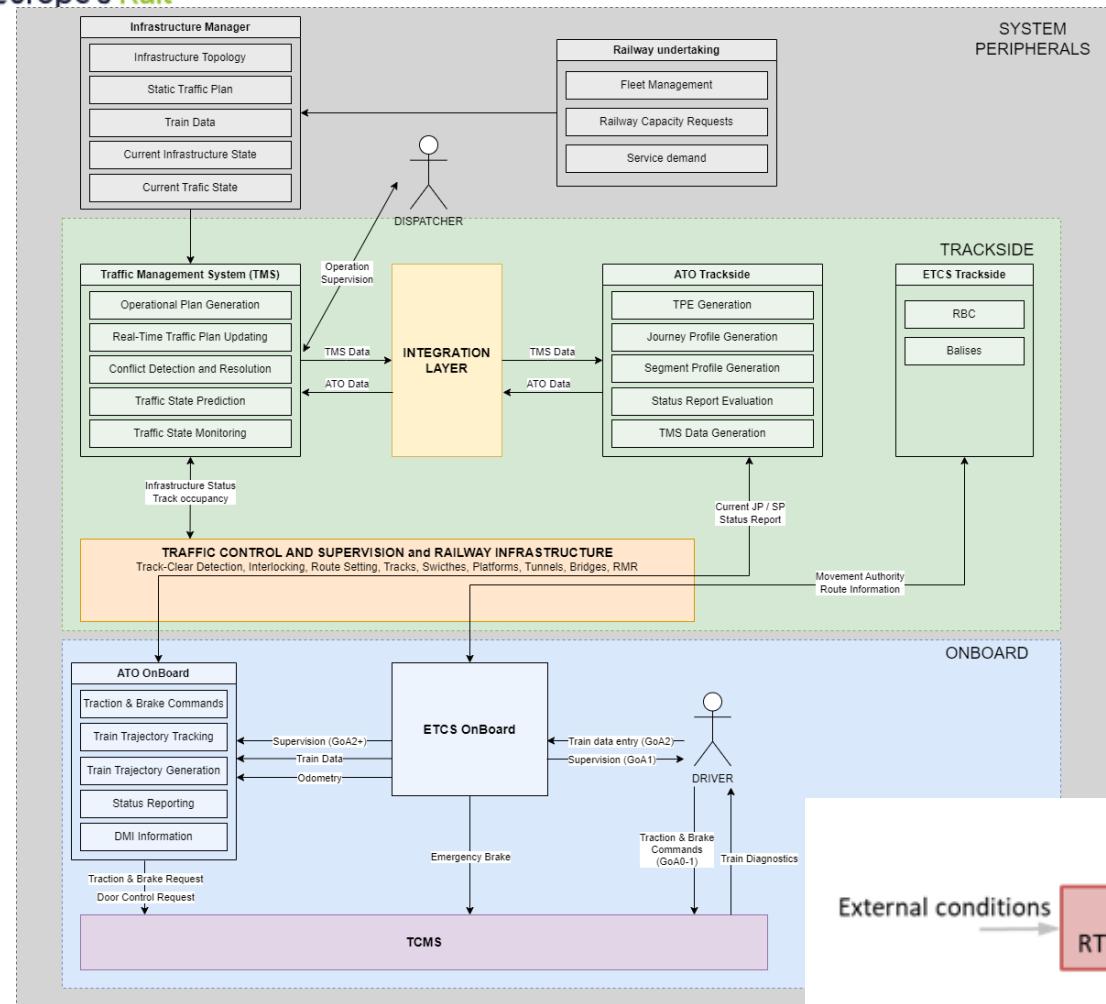
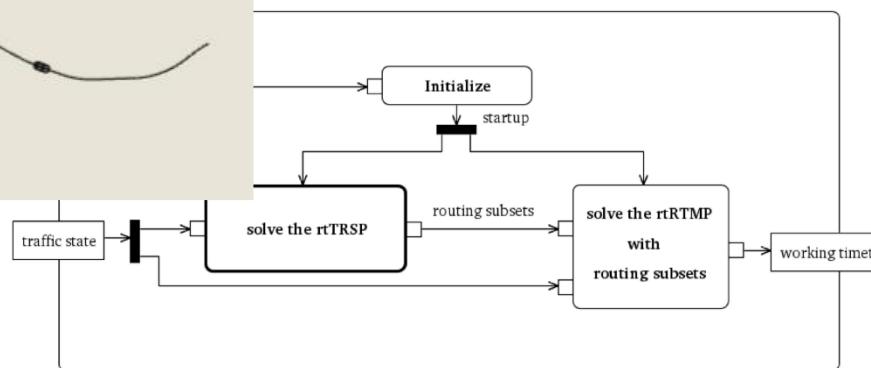
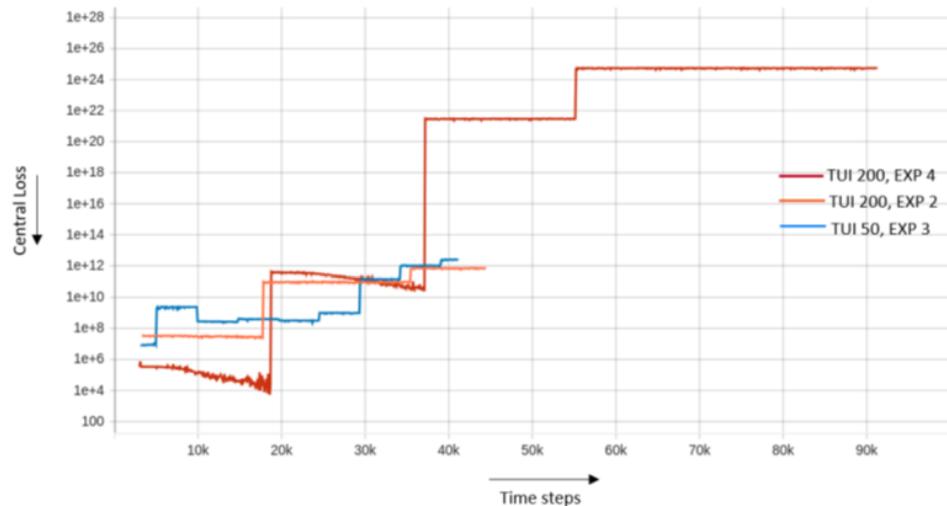
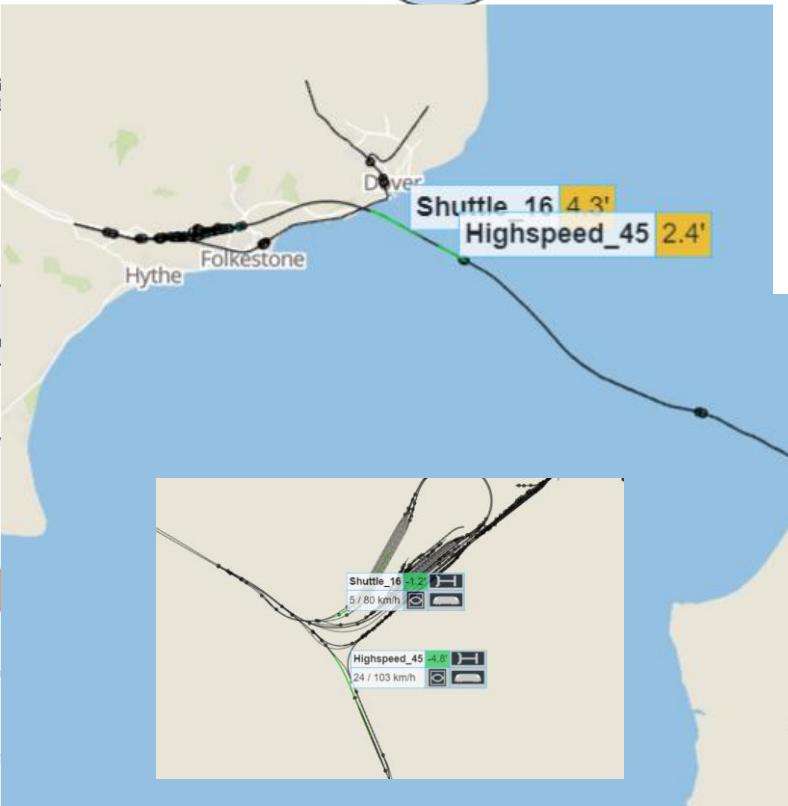
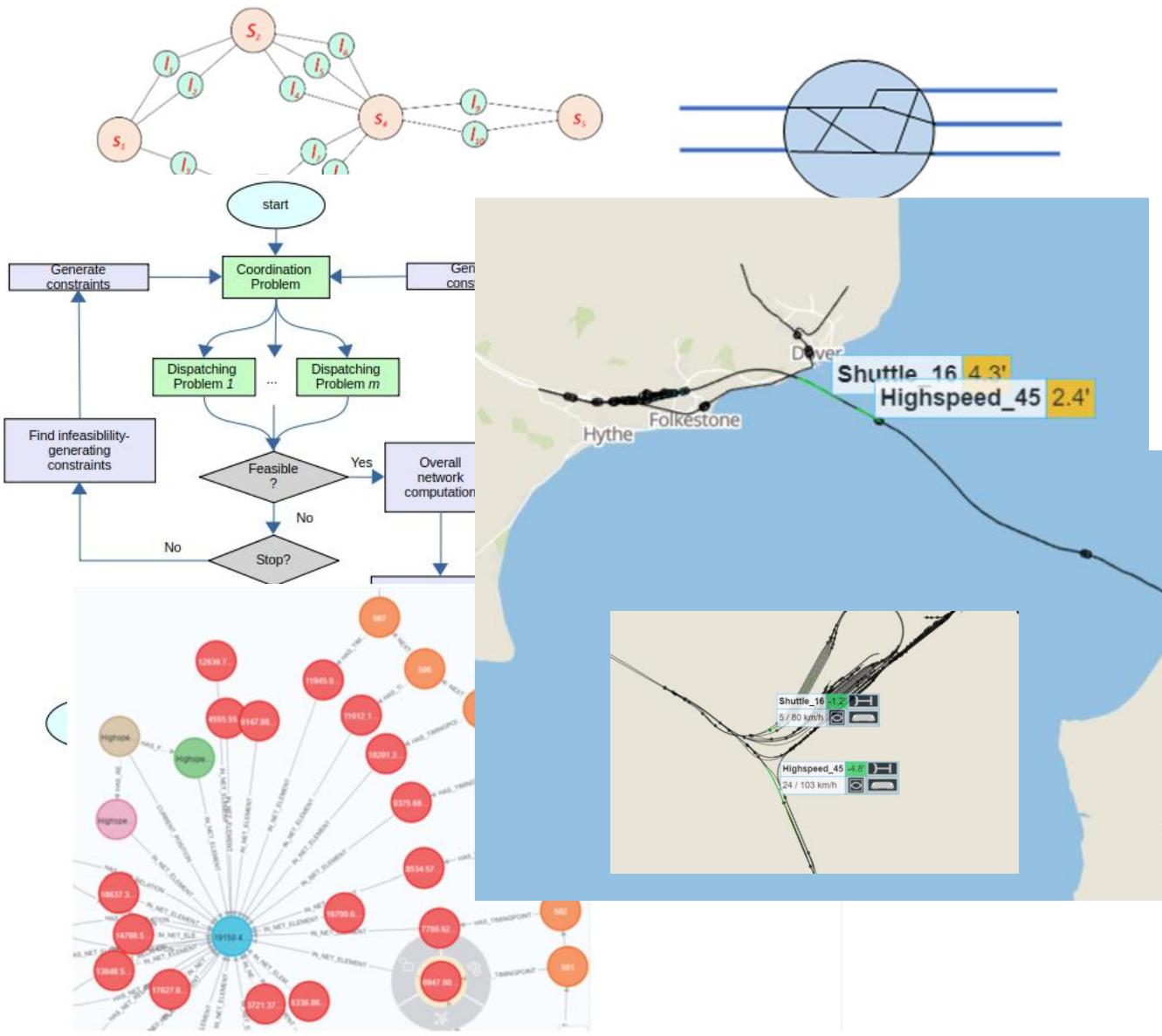


Figure 5-2 TMS-ATO feedback control-loops with passive TS and active OB

WP17/18 demonstrations

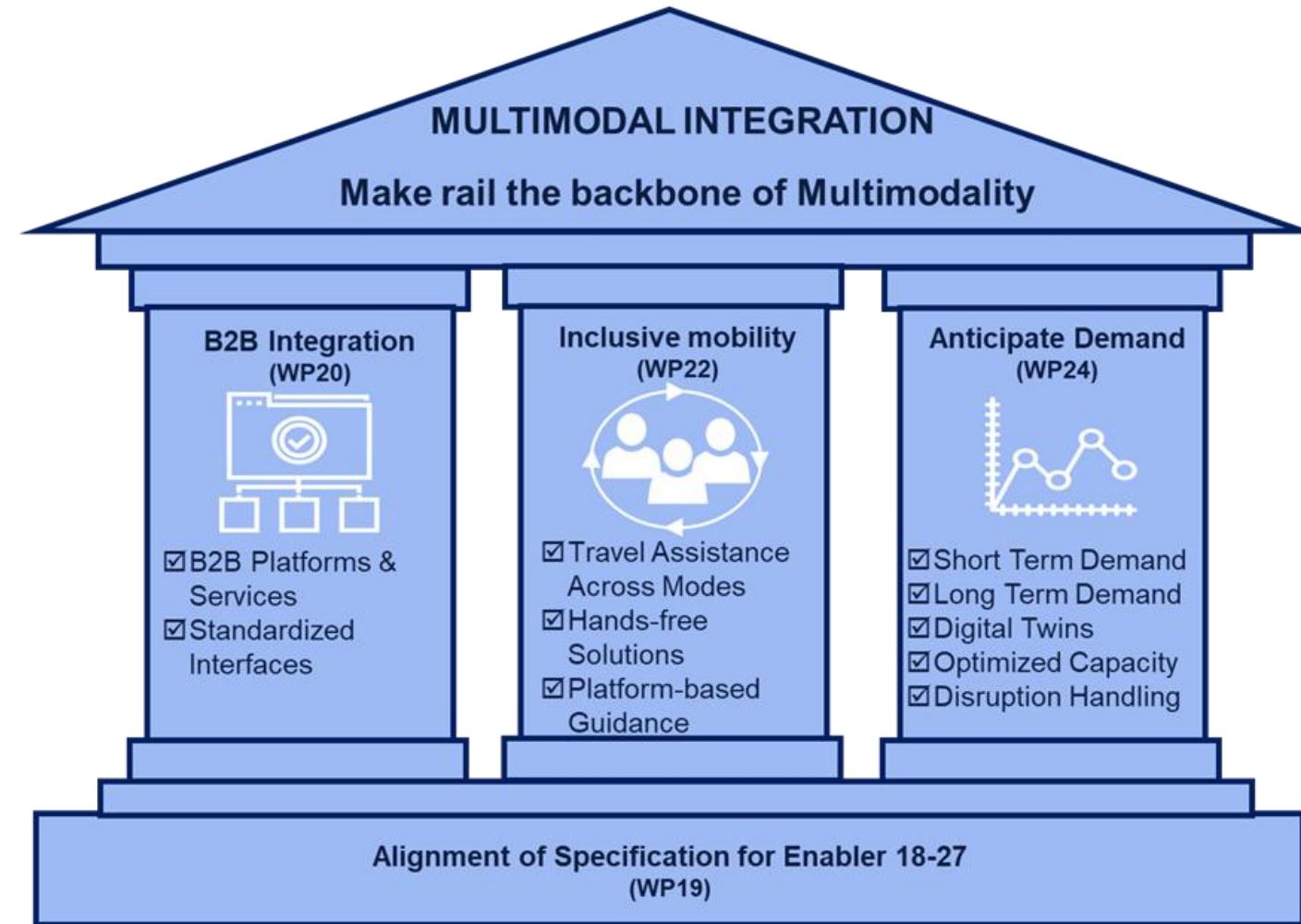


Workstream 1.3 - Multimodal integration

Progress and achievements



Multimodal Integration



WS1.3 – Multimodal Integration



Event 2 – Seamless & Inclusive Mobility
"One Europe, one journey, zero barriers"
7th of May 2026
Madrid / Hybrid

SG3, 15 demos



FP1 successful first outcomes!

Berlin, Südkreuz, Q2/2024

WP23, Demo 23.4, Berlin, (illuminated platform Edge is a guidance system for the passenger), PRM, safety, accessibility



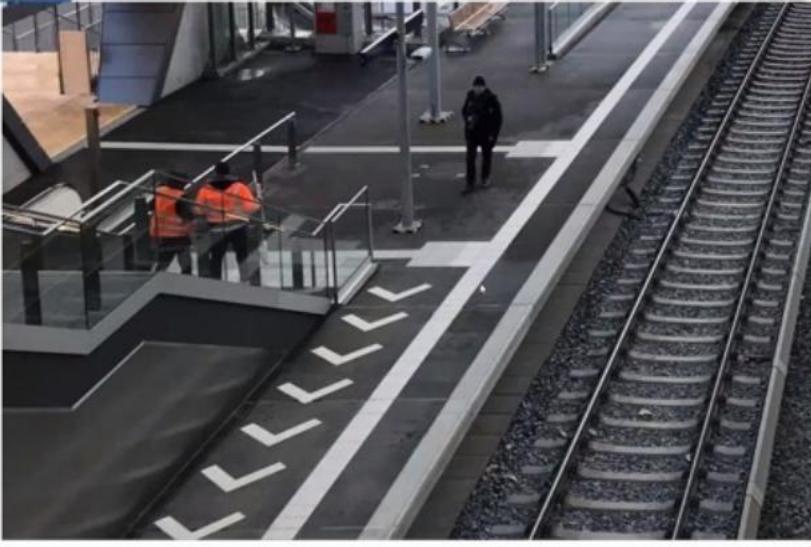
[Leuchtende Bahnsteigkante Bahnhof Berlin Südkreuz - YouTube](#)



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WP23 Demos – Illuminated Platform Edge

Initial situation: Rising number of passengers



WP23 Demos – Illuminated Platform Edge

Target: Evaluation in terms of:



Security: Increasing attention on the platform



Punctuality: Optimization of stopping times and handling

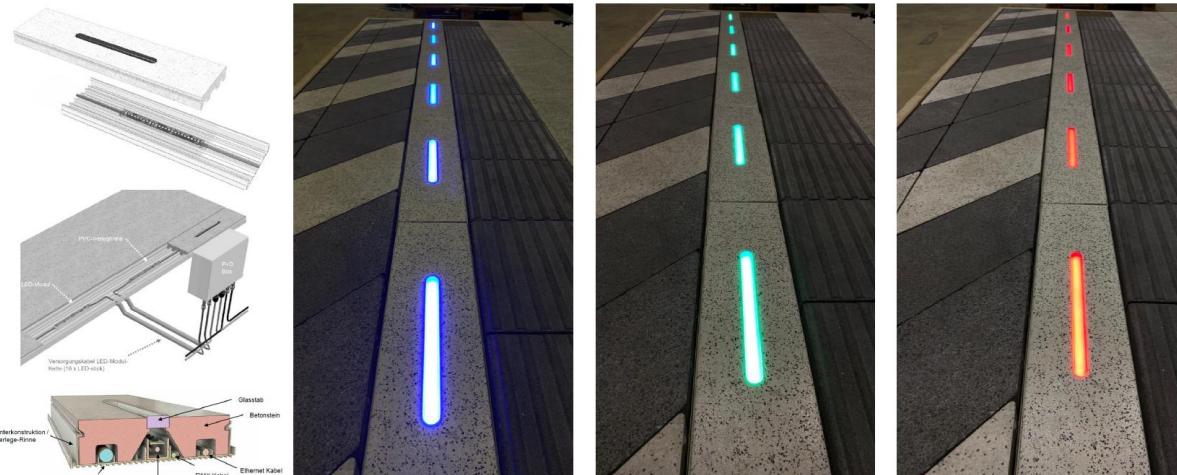
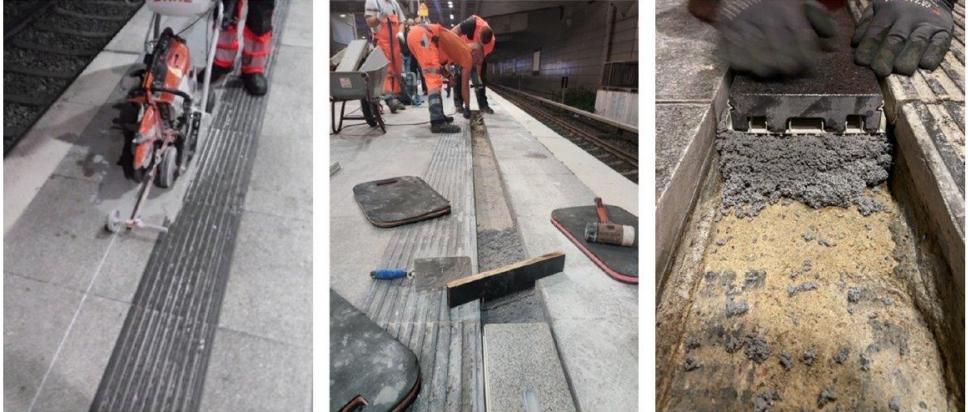


Capacity: Improving the distribution of travellers



Customer satisfaction: Improving the orientation

Construction Site



Technical Solution: Smart concrete LED-floor tiles



Sensor Installation

FP1 successful first outcomes!

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S3 Passenger from Sqills now powers Swedish rail operator SJ

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Simplifying the booking process for public transport through common standards and procedures: a very simple and yet very ambitious goal. That is what OSDM (Open Sales and Distribution Model) is about.

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"Within a few years, it will be much easier for train travellers to plan and book journeys throughout Europe, and it will be much easier for the companies that sell the tickets to offer travel across all of Europe."

Press release

Brussels, 23 April 2024



The future of European rail ticketing - Sweden launches Open Sales and Distribution Model

A new era of seamless and efficient rail travel was ushered in on 16 April with the official rollout in Sweden of the Open Sales and Distribution Model (OSDM) sector specification. OSDM represents a significant leap forward in rail distribution and the enabling of multi-modal, multi-carrier ecosystems. OSDM, a free and open sector specification, is set to transform the way travellers navigate and book their journeys. By enabling cross-border sales with unprecedented ease, the OSDM-based booking system opens up a world of possibilities for travellers and operators alike. Its implementation is one of the key commitments by members of the International Union of Railways (UIC) and the Community of European Railway and Infrastructure Companies (CER) in the CER [Ticketing Roadmap](#).

Sweden, which has one of the most competitive and open rail markets in the European Union, has adopted OSDM as the standard for its national ticket distribution, for rail and other transport modes, both for retail and distributors. The use case in Sweden also shows that OSDM can be used in addition to other standards. From the rail perspective, OSDM represents both a vision and now a reality of rail ticketing, that is more future-proof than the current situation and will benefit both operators and passengers. Moreover, OSDM is - by design - open source, so that OSDM is available for every player in mobility. OSDM implementation is ongoing, with six European Railway Undertakings to implement it by the end of this year and many more planning to deploy in 2025.

It is crucial that the information available to both the retailer and passenger is not unduly limited by the technical and functional requirements set out in any specification. For this reason, OSDM has been developed together with ticket vendors in full transparency with the European Union Agency for Railways (ERA). It is also important to note that the technical and commercial aspects of ticket distribution should be discussed separately. Technical specifications are designed to facilitate seamless data exchange for ticket distribution, while commercial agreements handle pricing, revenue sharing, and service-level agreements. Addressing these points separately is the most efficient way to achieve seamless international rail ticketing.



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We are extremely excited to announce that [SJ AB](#) is now officially powered by S3 Passenger.

This modern solution by Sqills ensures SJ can improve on their customer experience while allowing them to introduce new customer offerings more easily.

The go live is only the beginning of what has already proven to be a successful partnership.

Find out why this go live is such an important step going forward, not only for Swedish rail travel, but also for the OSDM standard. Click the link below to read more.

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WP21, Sweden Demo 21.4 (MaaS platform for B2B intermodality - new booking system)



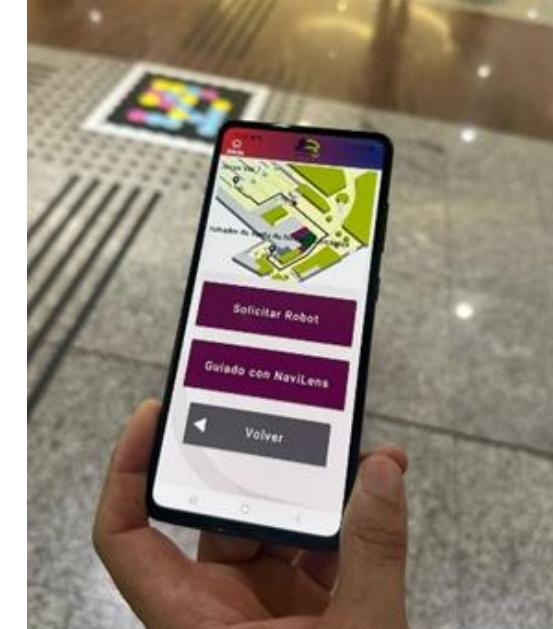
Platform projections showing where the accessible carriage of the arriving train will stop.



An interactive totem that provides accessible information, suggested routes and support.



A guidance robot that accompanies travellers to their destination inside the station.



Integrated software that connects all the elements and generates tailored accessibility solutions.

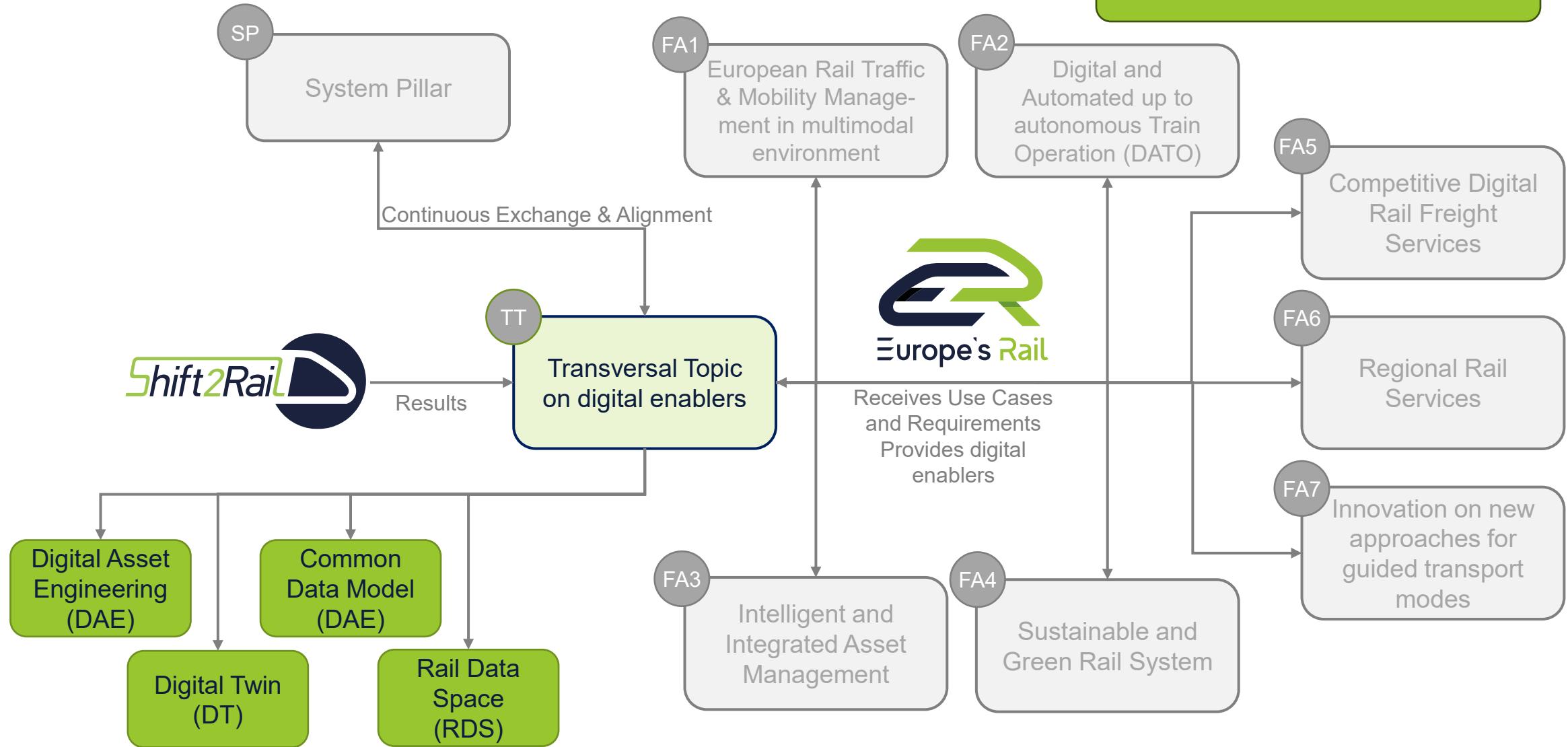
Workstream 2 - Digital enablers

Progress and achievements



Digital Enablers Landscape in the EU-Rail Joint Undertaking

What is a Digital Enabler?



Addressing digital challenges of the Rail industry



Disruptions

- Disruptions in Rail operations
- Disconnected from other transport modes
- Supply Chain disruptions

Fragmentation of data

- Silos within and in companies
- Data storage and analysis based on individual use cases

Reluctance to share

- Security concerns
- Liability concerns
- Competitive concerns

Lack of interoperability

- Between data types
- Between standards
- Between data storages



**Challenges result in underutilization of innovation potential
New approach needed!**

2. Digital enablers

		2025	Q1 2026	Q2 2026
WS2 Digital Enablers	WP27			D27.5
	WP29		D29.1, D29.2, D29.3, D29.4	
	WP31		D31.2+D31.3, D31.4	

Event 1 – Digital Foundation

"Before smart trains, we need smart data"

29th of April 2026

Online



OBJECTIVE: The Goal of DAE is to fully digitalize the Engineering process of railway assets (CCS, Stations, etc.) to ease engineering work, reduce costs of development and testing, and reduce time to deployment.

Benefits



Increases economic benefits by reducing entrance barriers to new markets



Increased operation efficiency (predictive maintenance/Monitoring through DT)



Optimize rail operation and reduce energy consumption and emission



Automation saves time in design and construction phases.



Highlights 2025

- Data requirements for detection and data acquisition is complete with two datasets. The algorithm development successfully achieved.

- The data requirements document for ETCS level 2 with signals has been completed, and four datasets have been acquired. The development of the Automatic Planning Tool, including engineering rules is approximately complete.

- Guidelines and standard document for acquiring, updating, and developing BIM/AIM data and models is about 80% complete,



OBJECTIVE: The DT enabler aims to organise and support the assembly, verification, validation, testing and co-simulation of complex high-order Digital Twins. Modularity, interoperability and composableity of the digital representation of the physical railway system are particularly in focus.

Benefits



Increases Assets utilization and Sustainability



Enables exchange of digital artefacts of railway assets



Reduces operational cost through predictive maintenance



New opportunities with AI



Highlights 2025

- Three use cases presented at the Modelica & FMI Conference <https://doi.org/10.3384/ecp218> . .
- Validated at TRL 5
- The created GitLab repository contains the Digital Twin support and design-time environment, and generic versions of proprietary use cases or the associated component models and assembly architectures, respectively,
- So far, use of off-the-shell simulation tools for the Digital Twin run-time environment. Co-simulation investigated as an alternative.
(<https://dcp-standard.org>)



OBJECTIVE: The Conceptual Data Model aims at creating a common standardised ontology based machine-readable model of the rail system domain, formally describing syntactic and semantic data structures.

Benefits



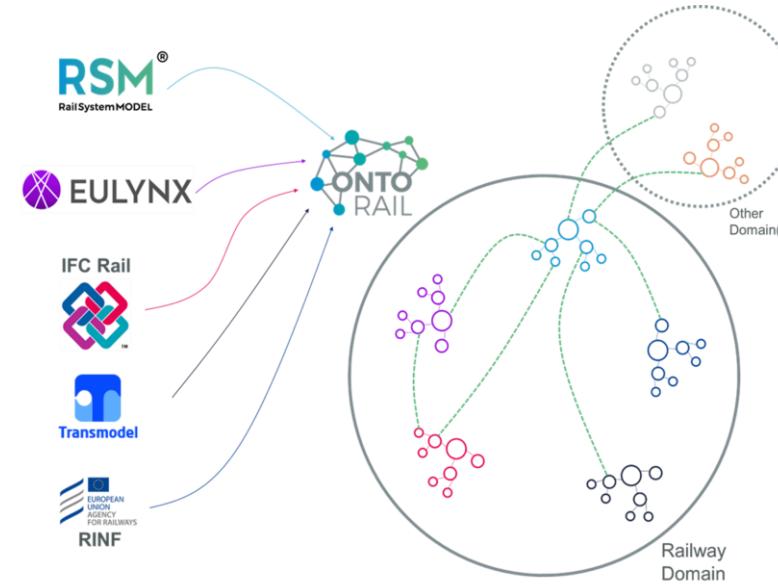
Enables interoperability among source models



Source of Knowledge for domain users



Fosters reuse and maintainability of the information systems



Highlights 2025

- **Ontologies:** localization, ports, rolling stock (typology, composition), telematics (domain-oriented)
- **Adapters:** GeoSPARQL update, ifcOwl (2024 continuation), SOSA/SSN (2024 continuation)
- Demonstrated solutions for automated or assisted ontology; Quality Assurance and JSON schema generation from a set of ontologies
- Development/publication of reference datasets; Successfully demonstrated the RDF serialization for topology representations and feedback to System Pillar on shortcomings of the SP CCS/TMS Scheibenbergs dataset.
- **Collaboration with FP5** on the Intelligent Video Gate (identifying possible extensions to the ERA ontology through telematics domain-oriented ontology). Exploring collaboration with FP3 around asset management
- Ongoing work on maintenance-related use cases (lindometer, on-foot patrolling semantics)

Decentralized, open and secure Rail Data Space (RDS) to drive Rail Innovations



OBJECTIVE: The ERJU Rail Data Space aims to **create a trusted, reliable, and cybersecure ecosystem for data exchange within the European rail sector**, enabling interoperability and innovation across operators, infrastructure managers, and suppliers

Benefits



Compliant with EU legislation including EU Data Act



Maintain data ownership by defining who can access data and under what terms



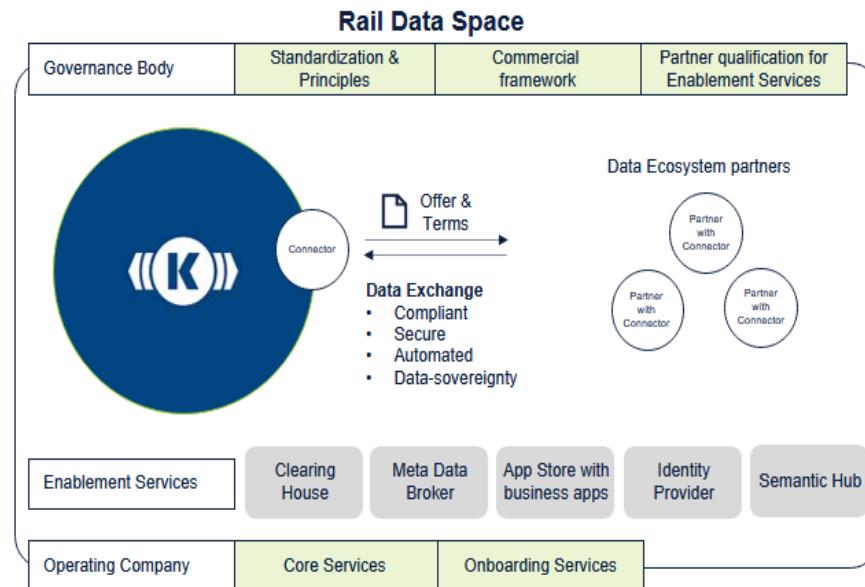
Full transparency and verification of data transactions



Most efficient way to share data with multiple parties



Shared costs of scalable data space infrastructure



Highlights 2025

- Finalization of Development Phase within Wave 1; Implementation of the extended data exchange methods to be used by the Federated Rail Data Space
- Development of first App-Store based on the user requirements.
- Onboarding of additional Participants to the sandbox environment
- Demonstration (Q2/2026) Use Cases selected. Held a public townhall meeting 01.07.25.

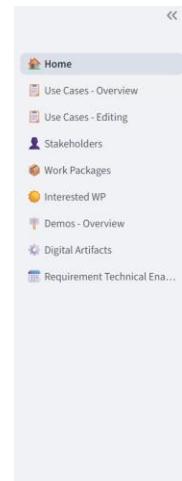
Common developments for the digital enablers

Database for the repository of use cases, designed to drive the development of digital enablers based on actual requirements, constraints, and timelines indicated by the different domains across Europe's Rail flagships.

The use cases will be more visible than in individual deliverables and make the railway and public transport community at large aware of the sheer number and variety of those cases.

Dissemination material and preparation for 2026, in particular

- Townhall meetings
- TRA papers,
- demos at the "Digital foundation event" encompassing all WPs of the digital enablers and beyond,
- Innotrans 2026 preparations.



ERJU Use Case Repository

This interactive repository is part of the results of FP1 Motional WorkPackage 26

This work package coordinates the work performed in the development of common digital enablers (Workstream 2), connecting it to the MOTIONAL project's workstream 1, to all other Destinations and to System Pillar activities.

It designs, deploys and executes the MOTIONAL project's process to collect use cases from all Destinations, complementing them with System Pillar guidelines, in order to drive development of digital enablers according to the Destinations' actual requirements, constraints and timelines.

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Communication and Dissemination



Scientific Publications

MOTIONAL: Advancing the future of European railway systems through digitalization and integration

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Abstract.

The Flagship Project "MOTIONAL", supported by Europe's Rail initiative, paves the way for implementation of the future European Capacity Planning and Traffic Management Systems built on digitalization, automation, connectivity and resilience ad integratio



Proyecto FP1 Motional, vía libre hacia la digitalización

El proyecto de EU-Rail, FP1 Motional, "Gestión de la operativa de los sistemas ferroviarios y facilitadores digitales" tiene como objetivo la digitalización de la operativa de los sistemas ferroviarios.

Robust Routing in Railway Stations – Generating Robustness Concepts Using Ab

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Abstract

Ensuring the feasibility and robustness of train operations in station phases is receiving more and more attention given the trend toward and network planning in railway systems. Existing approaches for robust station and the maximization of buffer times between consecutive trains or the optimization of work either the maximization of buffer times between consecutive trains or the optimization of work. In this work we develop a new exact robust routing approach that allows to minimize the total primary delays, generalizing delay absorption concepts in timetable stability. The methodology is based on a MILP approach modelling delay dependencies into account. We test our approach in a simulated environment and evaluate together with existing methods how the proposed method can reduce the number of late arrivals and the number of train cancellations.

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Review Article

A systematic review of acceleration-based estimation railway track quality

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Abstract

Track quality is crucial for the safety and comfort of train passengers, traditionally its quantification is made through rigorous track geometry measurements using expensive inspection systems. The adoption of on-board inertial sensors for track condition monitoring presents a cost-effective alternative, potentially reducing maintenance and inspection expenses while enhancing passenger safety and comfort. Supporting the adoption of this technology is the need for a systematic review of the literature on the topic. The main objective of this review is to provide a comprehensive overview of the state-of-the-art in acceleration-based estimation of railway track quality. The review also aims to identify the main challenges and opportunities for the development of this field. The results show that the use of acceleration-based methods for track quality estimation is a promising alternative to traditional inspection systems. However, there are still many challenges to be overcome, such as the need for more accurate sensors and better data processing algorithms. The review also highlights the need for more standardized data collection and analysis methods to facilitate the comparison of results between different studies. Overall, the results of this review provide a valuable reference for researchers and practitioners interested in the development of acceleration-based methods for railway track quality estimation.

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Charting the landscape of rail human factors and automation: A systematic scoping review

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A 0,1 Linear Programming Approach to Deadlock Detection and Management in Railways

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Abstract

In railway systems, a deadlock occurs when trains accidentally occupy positions that prevent each other from moving forward. Although deadlocks are rare events, they do occur from time to time, requiring costly recourse actions and generating significant knock-on delays. In this paper, we present a noncompact 0,1 linear programming formulation and a methodology for discovering (possibly future) deadlocks and the subsequent implementation of optimal recovery measures. The approach is implemented in a tool to dispatch trains in real time developed in cooperation with Union Pacific (UP) and currently in operations on the entire UP network.

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Kick off Meeting of WP16

December 6, 2024
FP1-Motional project's Work Packages 15 and 16, with the scope of 'Linking TMS to ATO/C-DAS for optimised operations', held their 5th physical meeting on the 3rd and 4th of December 2024. Hosted by AZD Praha at their headquarter in Prague, this meeting was attended by 29 participants from all ...

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FP 1 MOTIONAL, Plenary meeting - year 2 in Borlänge, Sweden.

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FP 1 MOTIONAL, European Rail Network and Mobility Management

Flagship 1 team of experts from infrastructure managers, Railway undertakings and train suppliers met in Borlänge, Sweden, 7-8 February. Other colleague's joined online. The team discussed organisational and technical topics, plans, requirements and duties for the second project phase – the development phase year 2, all in order to improve planning and operational management of rail services and offer to meet the European goal of making rail the preferred mode of transport.



FP1 MOTIONAL at the Nordic region's largest fair for sustainable rail transport.

May 23, 2025

Magnus Wahlborg from Trafikverket represented Europe's Rail JU's Flagship Project 1 (FP1) -MOTIONAL at Train & Rail, the Nordic region's largest fair for sustainable rail transport. In his presentation, Magnus explained that the project will contribute to an interoperable, integrated ...

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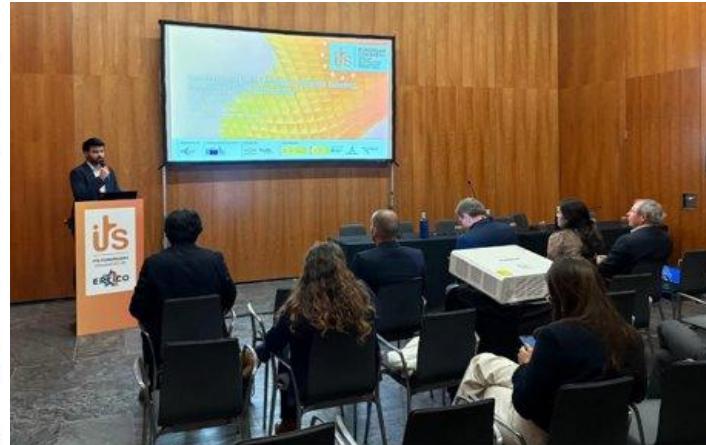
Welcome to the latest edition of our newsletter, where we share updates and insights from the Flagship Project 1 (FP1) MOTIONAL. In this edition, we highlight key milestones and provide a closer look at the progress we have made so far.

We hope you enjoy this edition!

Europe's Rail Flagship Project 1 - Mobility management multimodal environment and digital enabler

MOTIONAL Project: Transforming Europe's Rail Network

The FP1 MOTIONAL, a key initiative within Europe's Rail Joint Undertaking (EU-Rail), is an EU-funded collaboration led by Hacón and Trafikverket with 89 partners. FP1 MOTIONAL aims to modernise Europe's rail network through digitalisation, automation, and integration, establishing rail as a vital part of sustainable European transport for both passengers and freight.



Motional is Transforming Urban Mobility: Seamless Ticketing, Navigation and Sustainability

May 26, 2025

As part of the FP1-MOTIONAL project under Europe's Rail, Enrique Jiménez from Indra gave a presentation at the ITS Congress in Seville on the development of innovative solutions to enhance ticketing, navigation and payment systems within the scope of the project. These solutions use



FP1 conferences



Last gathering? - Plenary meeting in October 2025



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The **#FP1MOTIONAL** Plenary Meeting took place in Munich  on 29–30 October, bringing project partners together to advance European rail research and innovation toward a digitalised, interoperable and resilient rail system.

As MOTIONAL approaches its final year in 2026, discussions focused on the upcoming demonstration phases and on how to best showcase the project's achievements across Europe.

💡 Key outcome: five Demo Dissemination Events will take place in spring 2026, presenting 80+ demonstrations and promoting knowledge exchange across the European rail community. [...mais](#)

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"Before smart trains, we need smart data"

29th of April 2026
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"One Europe, one journey, zero barriers"

6 or 7th of May 2026
Madrid / Hybrid

Event 3 – Cross Border Integration

"Making Europe's railways truly European"

May-June TBC
Stockholm / Hybrid

Event 4 – Intelligent Planning

"When algorithms create better plans than humans"

May-June TBC
Paris TBC

Event 5 – Real-Time Intelligence

"The thinking railway responds faster than problems can spread"

17th or 24th of June 2026
Utrecht / Hybrid

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Final Event –

"FP1 outcomes and way forward"

30th of June 2026
Online

Q&A session



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