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"We run as fast as each of us can!"

• FRMCS in CCS TSI

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• FRMCS installation deadlines









Testing and validating FRMCS V2 Call overview







Testing and validating FRMCS V2 ... road to FRMCS 1st Edition

- Telecommunication equipment compliant with FRMCS (incl. but not limited to on-board TOBA)
- FRMCS-ready SIG equipment
- Validation of Cab radios
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Prototype developments

Testing of key functions

- IOP testing
- Voice
- ETCS L2
- ATO/ETCS (GoA1/2)
- Messaging
- TCMS / PIS
- ...

• Feedback from laboratory and field testing

• Input for next release of FRMCS specifications (V3)

Validation and REX



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Trafikverket's scope about FRMCS



Current FRMCS planning



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FRMCS deployment strategy in France

- FRMCS first deployment priority is a 2035 target to replace GSM-R, already covering 97,4 % of TEN-T Extended Core
- Higher FRMCS performances (particularly regarding availability) are expected for lines to be equipped with ETCS L2 in the next 20 years. This goal will be achieved through a more robust (but more expensive) design.
- FRMCS over MNO is envisaged to complete coverage for regional lines (out of TEN-T).







GSM-R to FRMCS migration in France

- FRMCS will be put into service for the voice application according to a division by geographical sectors corresponding to a zone of influence of an operational traffic management center.
- The objective is for an operational traffic management center to use only one radio system at a time and to switch from GSM-R to FRMCS "one big night".
 - One big night per trimester from mid 2032 to end 2035 ; 2 or 3 sectors per big night
 - **O GSM-R will be decommissioned right after the switchover**
- It is expected that trains will be equipped with dual GSM-R + FRMCS until end of 2035 at least.
- The sequencing logic is to go from the borders towards Paris, where a lot of traffic converges.





Rail Traffic in Europe will partly stop by 2035 if we don't start FRMCS migration now









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Opportunities for flexible deployment of FRMCS





FRMCS is a 3GPP 5G MCX system. It supports therefore any 5G frequencies. As long as the MNO has a compatible architecture, there is no technical issue.

Focus on on-board requirements for European 5G MNO Coexistence with RMR scenario (included in SRS v2)



Multipath Support of

Support of several concurrent radio bearers for backup



Implementation issues

Power imbalance QoS compliance Legal responsibilities

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5G public frequency bands for RMR coexistence

Seven 5G frequency bands under consideration



Coordinated approach

- Akin to EDDP - through EU-RAIL Deployment Group
- Deployment scenarios
- Timing (effective GSM-R obsolescence)
- Frequencies (MNO w. / wo RMR)
- Sync with other deployment





Joint forces and single coordination entity are corner stones of successful FRMCS migration



Financing







Material & Chipsets



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FRMCS V2 to V3 REQUIREMENTS





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The money



- Options for funding:
 - Connecting Europe Facility
 - Digital Europe
 - Structural funds
 - Recovery and Resilience Facility
- But Next Multiannual Financial Framework

• What about own funding





Development of FRMCS NIP in France

- French State asked SNCF Réseau to collect data, to study requirements, to propose inputs for NIP and to conduct stakeholder consultation
- Several challenges were identified for implementation of NIP
 - The time constraint (replacement of obsolete GSM-R) will concentrate the FRMCS construction on a very short period
 - This will create a pic of investment that is not sustainable with only internal GI funding
 - The project can be in time only if resources can be booked therefore if financing is assured from the start
 - FRMCS equipment of Rolling Stock (which is not under IM control) shall be done in time
 - Authorisation processes shall not become bottleneck



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