

13th ERA Budapest Workshop

16 October 2025

PLENARY SESSION

Chair: **Oana Gherghinescu**

ERA Executive Director and

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Time	Title of the presentation	Name of the speaker
08.40 – 09.00	Opening	Dr. Kerékgyártó János Deputy State Secretary for Transport Authority Affairs (Ministry of Construction and Transport) László Veszprémi Head of NSA HU Oana Gherghinescu ERA Executive Director
9.00 – 9.30	Progress with SERA between challenges and opportunities	Oana Gherghinescu ERA Executive Director
9.30 – 10.00	Results of ERA authority tasks	Iñigo Mendez ERA Head of Planning and Approvals Delivery Unit
10.00 – 10.20	FRMCS: Specifications and what else?	Wawrzyniec Perschke Policy Officer (DG Move C4)
10.20 – 10.40	Unlocking the future of railway interoperability	Enno Wiebe Director General of UNIFE
10.40 – 11.00	Coffee break	
11.00 – 11.20	Activities of Conformity Assessment Bodies supporting Safety and Interoperability according to the 4th Railway Package	Jens Wolff Chairman of NB-Rail Association
11.20 – 11.40	Europe's Rail Joint Undertaking: current progress and future vision	Ian Conlon Head of Unit System Pillar, Communication, and Stakeholder Outreach (Europe's Rail Joint Undertaking)
11.40 – 12.00	Military Mobility: a driver for increasing interoperability?	Marcel de la Haye CER's Technical Director
12.00 – 12.20	Matching actions with the challenges ahead	Michaela Strohschneider DG Move C4
12.20 – 13.20	Lunch break	

INTEROPERABILITY SESSION

Chair: Antoine Defossez

ERA Project Officer
Rolling Stock and Fixed Installations Unit

Time	Titles of the presentations	Presenter
13.20 – 13.40	Accessibility: what interface do users expect between the platform and the train?	Eva Valeri ERA Economic Evaluation Officer, Monitoring, Analysis, Research and Stakeholders Unit
13.40 – 14.00	Use of drones in railway	Laurent Guillobez ERA Project Officer, Rolling Stock and Fixed Installations Unit
14.00 – 14.20	The Joint Network Secretariat (JNS) of ERA: role and activities	Andreas Schirmer ERA Coordinator Standardisation JNS
14.20 – 14.40	The JNS on crosswind and resulting TSI amendments	Rudolph Spanhoff ERA Project Officer, Railway Systems Department
14.40 – 15.00	Coffee break	
15.00 – 15.20	Issues and challenges of rail interoperability in Europe	Carole Coune Secretary General of Association of European Rail Rolling Stock Lessors (AERRL)
15.20 – 15.40	AI for the promotion of the regulatory framework – Proof of concept CCS TSI	Marina Jeannin Project officer (NSA FR)
15.40 – 16.00	Update of EBA's experiences in 4th RP Vehicle Authorization in Germany	Johannes Driller Head of Department Authorisation of Vehicles (NSA DE)
16.00 – 16.20	Start of Mission in ERTMS area: issues and possible solutions	Christian Lusi Head of Technical standards office Alessandro Tabarrini Technical standards office (NSA IT)
16.20 – 16.40	Drone technology in the service of the railways	Gábor Pete Senior expert MÁV Telecommunication, Electrification and Signaling Department

SAFETY SESSION

Chair: Grégory Rolina

ERA Team Leader, Safety and Operations Unit

Time	Title of the presentation	Name of the speaker
13.20 – 13.40	Competence on track!	Clarisse Lagaize Davoine ERA Project Officer, Safety and Operations Unit
13.40 – 14.00	ERA study on rail resilience to climate change	Idriss Pagand ERA Project Officer Monitoring, Analysis, Research and Stakeholders Unit
14.00 – 14.20	Safety and supervision: JNS process	Heiko Heid Unit recognition, international matters (NSA DE)
14.20 – 14.40	Rolling stock trials: feedback on an inspection from the field	Virgile Lefebvre Head of rolling stock inspection Loïc Fauconnier Rolling stock assessor (NSA FR)
14.40 – 15.00	Coffee break	
15.00 – 15.20	Inspection campaign at level crossing: enforcing cooperation among rail and road operators	Andrea Biava Head of monitoring and event analysis office - Supervision Area Francesco Centola Professional at monitoring and event analysis office - Supervision Area (NSA IT)
15.20 – 15.40	Trackworker safety	Linda Ay Project Manager (NSA CH) Matt Farrell (NSA UK)
15.40 – 16.00	Finland's Rail Safety Plan 2025–2027	Kaisa Sainio Head of NSA FI Anne Silla Chief Adviser (NSA FI)
16.00 – 16.20	Use of batteries in trains and public transport	Werner Kurfess Project Manager (NSA CH)
16.20 – 16.40	How an accident became a European safety challenge	Martin Gertz Andersen Senior Executive Advisor (NSA DK)