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ERTMS governance

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Current Situation



ERTMS governance is spread along several different bodies (EU ERTMS Coordinator, CINEA, EU Agency for Railways, Europe's Rail JU), each one responsible for a single component of the value-chain.

This generates a clear need for an **integrated approach**, in order to improve consistency between objectives and fundings.

To **boost ERTMS deployment** and achieve the modal shift targets envisaged in the Green Deal, there is a need for regulating funding, coordination of National Implementation Plans (NIP), resourcing, market uptake, migration, and transition.

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Target

A centralised EU Level ERTMS
governance and Program Management
to strengthen the cooperation among
the different institutions and
stakeholders in order to boost ERTMS
deployment

Scope

Synchronisation and acceleration of ERTMS deployment, facilitation in the access to trackside and onboard funding, setting common principles to safeguard existing investments and dealing with the transition to future ERTMS specifications.

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Five key priorities

- Defining a coordinated and synchronised onboard and track side ERTMS deployment
- Promoting an **optimised access** to the **available national and European funding** sources (such as CEF -including Blending Facility, the Cohesion Funds, InvestEU as well as the Recovery and Resilience Facility) for a coordinated and integrated ERTMS trackside-onboard financing also by rising the limit of 50% eligible costs currently contained in the Union Guidelines for State Aid to RUs up to 100%.
- Assuring a stricter dialogue with ERA and Europe's Rail to make sure that an optimal balance between stability and evolution of ERTMS specifications and ERTMS products can be achieved.
- Encouraging the **definition of harmonised operational rules** on lines equipped with ERTMS in coordination with the activities carried out in the System Pillar of Europe's Rail.
- Contributing to **simplify ERTMS authorisation and approval procedures** which currently are very complex and time consuming and go beyond the requirements set by art.19 of Directive 2016/797 which should be considered as the only driver for authorisation

Extension of the storyline to radiobased communication FRMCS





The current technical guidelines (TSI CCS 2023) do not provide **interoperability** between **FRMCS and vehicles** using the European Train Control System (**ETCS**) Baseline 3. This problem arises from the specific technical architecture chosen for ETCS Baseline 3. While ETCS System Version Baseline 4, and beyond, is expected to be compatible with FRMCS, there's a glaring gap for existing Baseline 3 equipped fleets.

FRMCS represents one of the 'game changers' of ERTMS in the long-term perspective. Therefore, the **migration** from **GSM-R to FRMCS** must take into account the preservation of investment for both onboard and trackside constituents already in service and shall **ensure** especially a **compatibility of FRMCS to Baseline** 3 on-board units.

