



Forum on Sustainable Transport Connectivity between Europe and Asia





## Context

ER-ISAC contributes to the forum on security aspects of integrated intermodal transport and logistics. ER-ISAC provides an inclusive platform for railway undertakings in the EU to collectively exchange information on and tackle cyber security threats.

Those threats are explained on the next slides.















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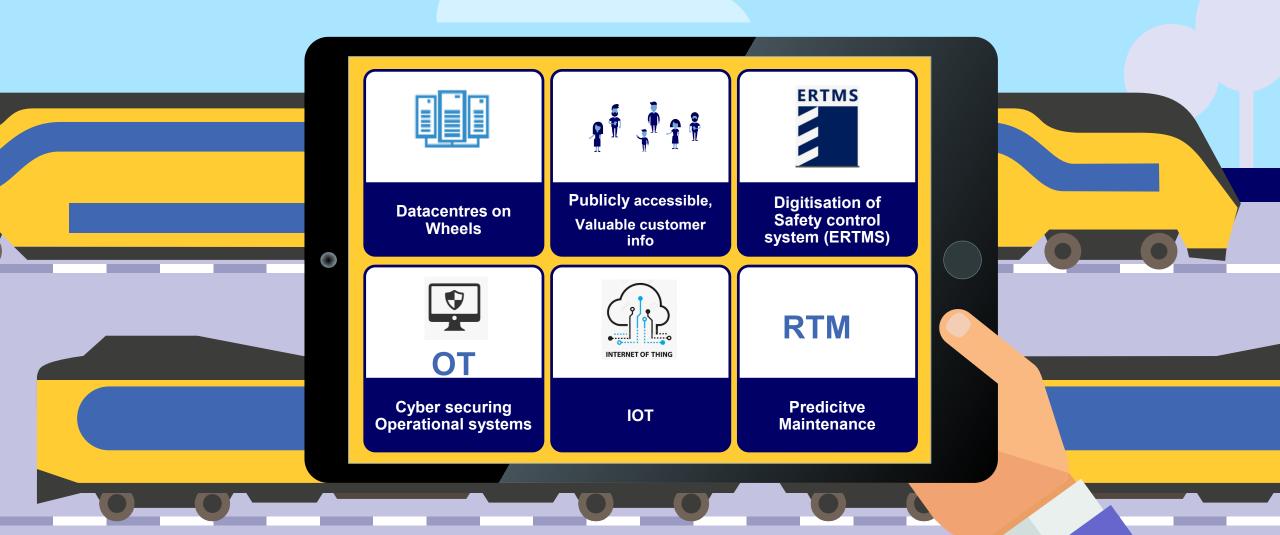




## The threat landscape in the Railway transport sector

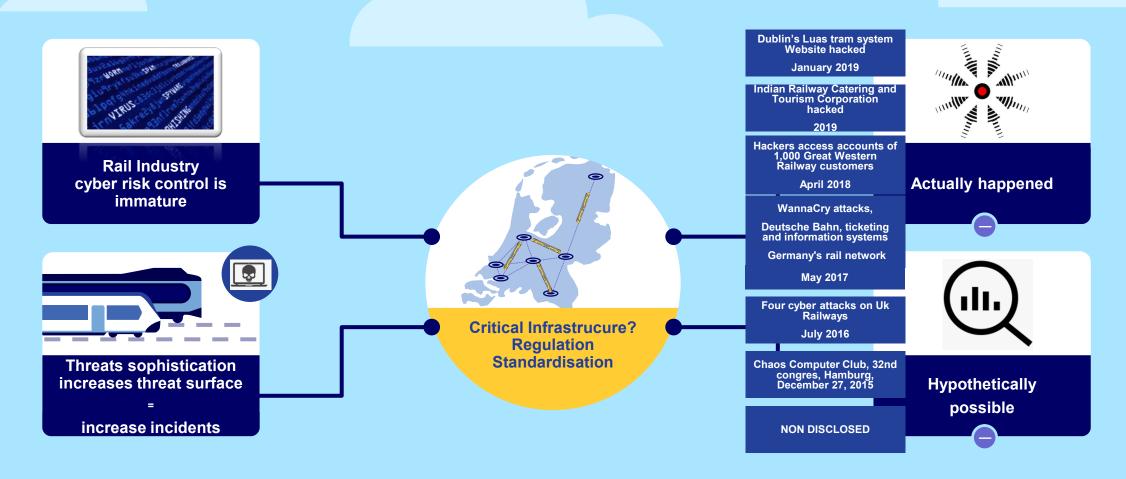
- Railways technologies are sector specific and split into Signalling and traffic management systems;
- Most of them are safety related systems: Interlocking systems, Speed control, traffic management, Automatic driving, SCADA, remote monitoring and supervision, GSM-R, ETCS-L2, ...
- Infrastructure Railway Managers or Railway Undertakings (Operators) are using the same technologies and methods across countries;
- Infrastructure moves towards intelligent, more connected, more assisted systems;
- More data exchange between sectors (Airports, Harbours, ...);
- Obsolescence of Safety systems exposed to current and future cyber threats landscape;
- Standards for Safety in Railway not up to date with current cybersecurity challenges

# Digitisation of Trains introduces cyber risks





## There is a great need for policy and oversight









The role of ISACs in Europe – and in particular with regard to developing measures to counter cyber threats to (rail) transport networks at the cross border level

Information Sharing and Analysis Centres (ISACs) are non-profit organizations that provide a central resource for gathering information on cyber threats (in many cases to critical infrastructure) as well as allow two-way sharing of information between the private and the public sector. ISACs have created communities within the private sector. They could be oriented on a specific critical sector (e.g. finance, energy, health) or serve as a focal point on the national level to gather information about cyber incidents and analyse it.

To ensure the right level of cybersecurity, cooperation between the public and the private sector is absolutely crucial. ISACs create a platform for such cooperation in term of sharing information about root causes, incidents and threats, as well as sharing experience, knowledge and analysis. In Europe, the first ISACs focused on the Finance and Energy sector.





# Members per Countries (Oct 2019)

54 organisations since foundation on 4<sup>th</sup> of June 2019



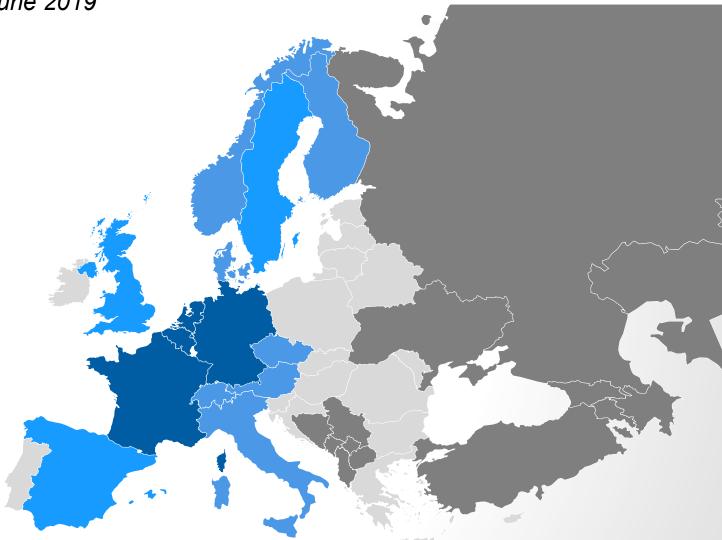
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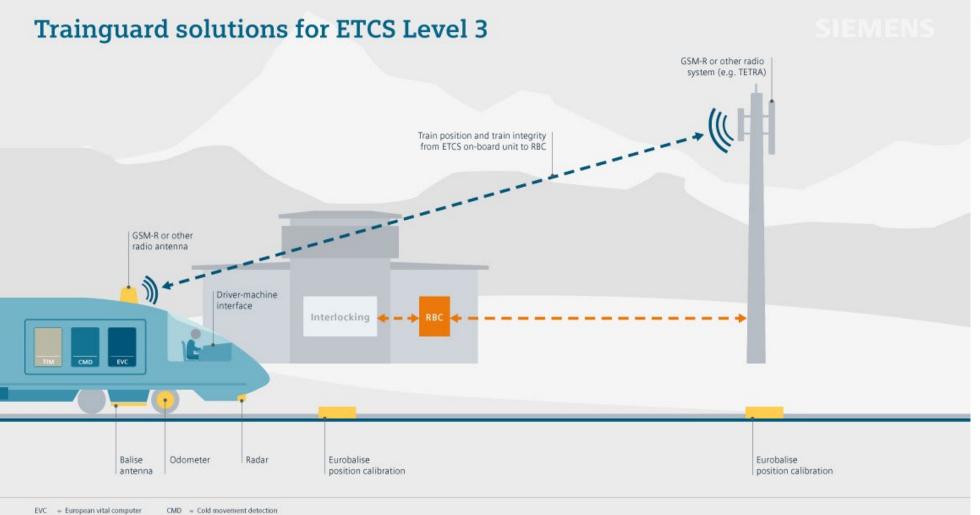








# Why collaborate in cybersecurity in the Railway?



Standardisation of technologies used across Countries (even outside EU = ERTMS)

Specific technologies for Signalling systems

Same supply chain

Specific Standardisation for Safety in the Railway

=> One issue affects us All





# How will the EU Railway Cybersecurity Platform (ISAC) help us Our vision for collaboration

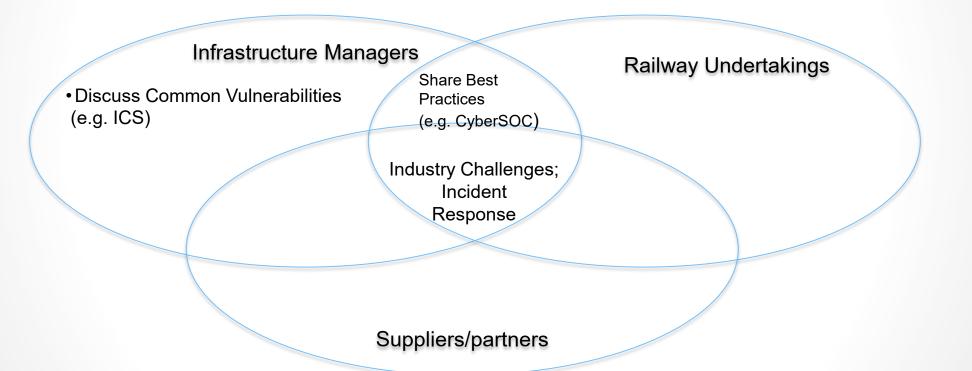
- Experiences in how aspects of cyber security are handled
  - → CyberSOC, ICS, IoT, Artificial Intelligence usage, Crisis management, ...
- Cybersecurity standards for Safety related products
- Cybersecurity products certifications and experience
- Alerts/ early warnings, Threat intel, experiences on products vulnerabilities specific to Railway, References on a wider range than national
- Meet regularly to discuss and share information (e.g. threat landscape, fact based approached, ...)
- Security Supply chain management (same level of security MUST BE delivered across European Railway by same provider)





## Trust building by non competitive environment

- Important to be able to share information only among Rail Infrastructure Managers and Railway Undertakings
  - Plenary sessions with all parties involved
  - Dedicated discussions in working groups as relevant







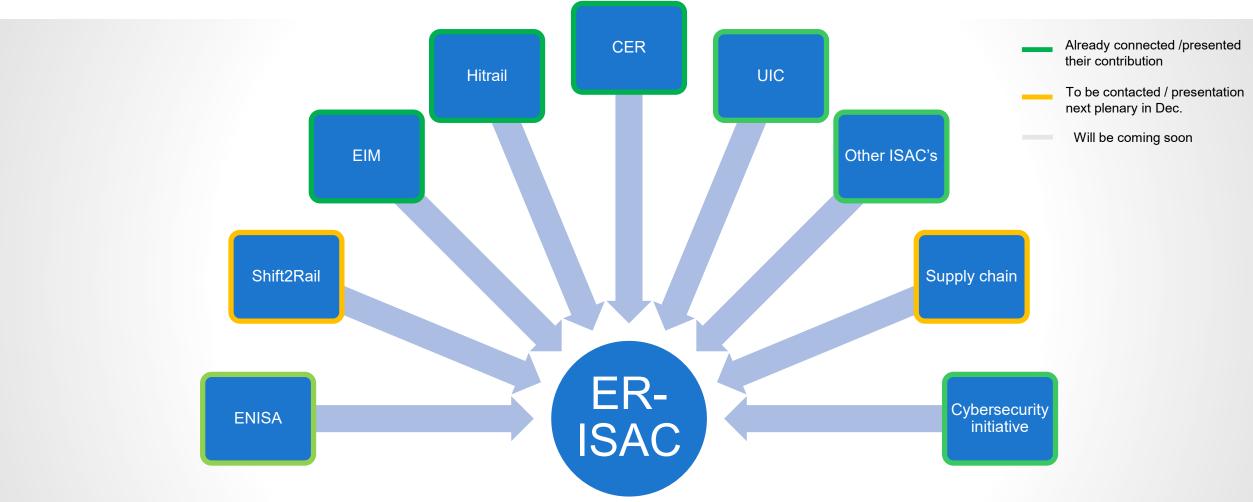
## Challenges in creation of ISAC's

- Finding technical expertise in cybersecurity
- Not enough resources & funding (Expertise, tools, management)
- Non binding, collaboration mode
- Conflicts of interests
- Trust amongst members/partners





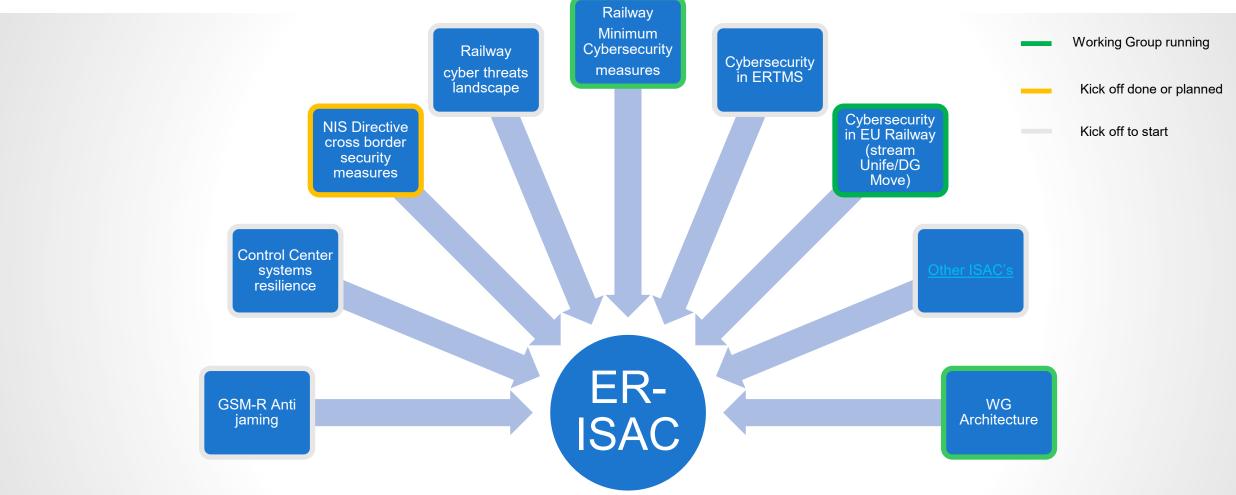
# **Administrative management: Information Sharing**







## **Administrative management: Analysis Center**



One playground in Europe for the cybersecurity in the Railway





How is the Cybersecurity for the Railway in Europe is sharing cybersecurity threats between organisations and Countries

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ER ISAC – good initiative for problem solving

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ER ISAC (establishing data-sharing protocol and one organization for railway in EU)

- Members of ISACs exchange information about threats, incidents, vulnerabilities, mitigating measures and also about the best practices and tools.
- The most common tool for exchanging information is a special web portal/platform (following a specific template) and encrypted emails.
- Among the ISACs, there is a common practice to establish so called "circles of trust".
- Most ISACs use the Traffic Light Protocol (TLP) to share information. It is not necessary to share Red
  or Yellow TLP categorized information to allow sharing cybersecurity theats.
- Some ISACs also receive information from external sources (e.g. IT security companies) what is very good practice.