



Flagship Area 1:



Network management planning and control,  
Mobility Management in a multimodal  
environment and Digital Enablers

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5. codes of ethics administered in a way that could inhibit or restrict competition;
6. group boycotts;
7. validity of patents;
8. ongoing litigations.

# FP1 Motional Overview

## Objective:

- Improve railway planning and operational management to make rail the preferred mode of transport in Europe.

## Vision of the future European Railway System:

- Interoperable and resilient
- Adaptive capacity
- Integration of all services, including first/last mile operations
- Exploitation of digitalization opportunities

## Current Challenges:

- National/regional management with legacy systems
- Poor digitalization and weak integration (between rail systems and with other modes)
- Networks complexity
- Demand for international trains

## Project Goals:

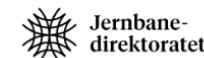
- Develop functional requirements, specifications, and solutions
- Transform capacity planning and traffic management systems (increase automation)
- Make rail the backbone of a multimodal transport system
- Deliver Digital enablers

# Project Partners and details

## COORDINATOR



## BENEFICIARIES

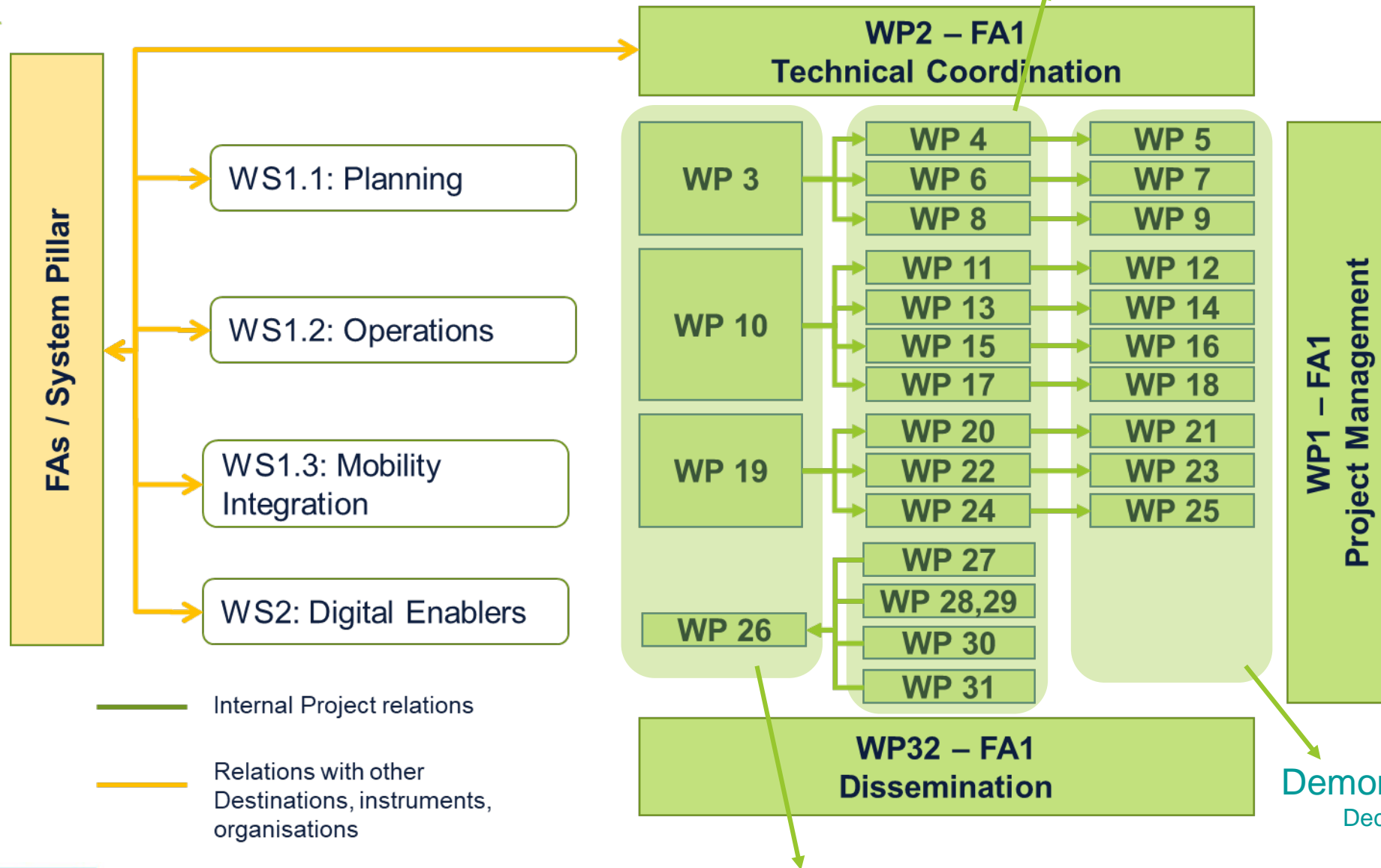


Call:	HORIZON-ER-JU-2022-01	Max grant amount:	37.875.973,46 €
Topic:	HORIZON-ER-JU-2022-FA1-TT-01 - Network management planning and control & Mobility Management in a multimodal environment and Digital Enablers	Total project cost:	92.600.000,00 €
		Project duration:	46 months
Linked actions:	<a href="#">FP2</a> , <a href="#">FP3</a> , <a href="#">FP4</a> , <a href="#">FP5</a> , <a href="#">FP6</a>	Number of partners:	88



# Workstreams Overview

Development phase  
May2023 – Nov2024



Specification phase  
Dec2022 – Nov2023

Demonstration phase  
Dec2024 – Sep2026



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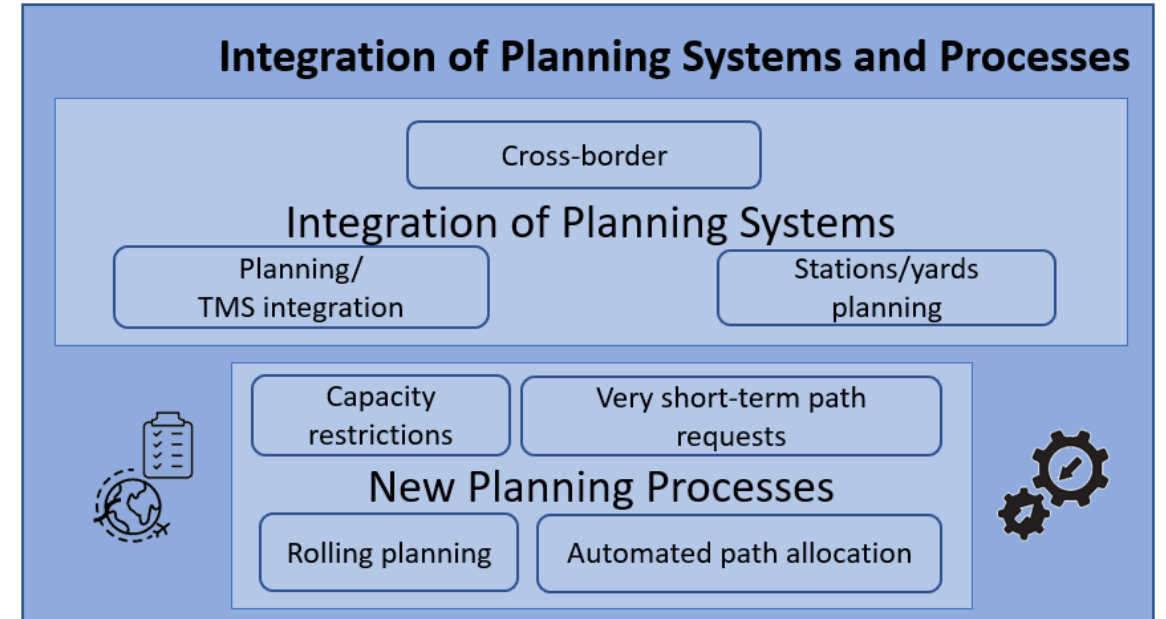
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## **WS1.1 - Planning**



## Create the future railway planning processes and capacity management

- Planning systems Integration
- Cross-border traffic



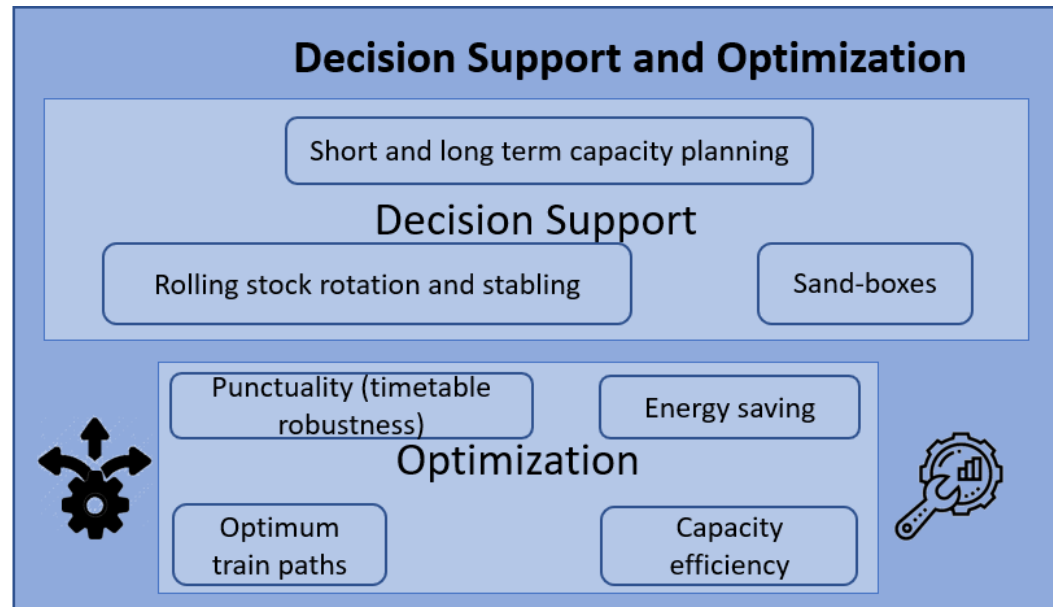
## Detailed requirements and use cases for:

- Improved capacity allocation and new process
- Integration of traffic management system with network capacity planning
- Integration of network capacity planning with yard and station capacity planning
- Interfaces for interaction with external national or central planning applications



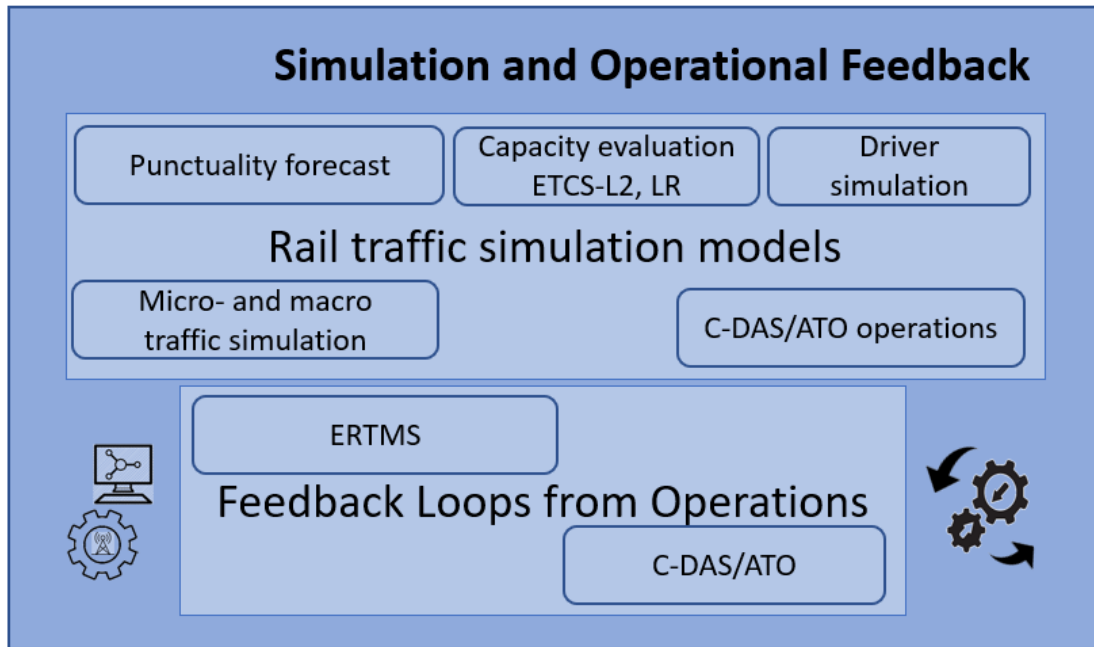
## Optimise timetables and develop advanced algorithms.

- Decision support modules and algorithms
- Solutions for optimisation: energy, punctuality, capacity, etc.



## Defined demonstrations and Use cases for:

- Long term timetabling
- Short term timetabling
- Rolling stock planning



## Simulate operational process

- C-DAS and ATO operations simulation
- Capacity simulation, evaluation and effects of New technologies

## Developed simulation methods for Dato techniques (FP1-FP2 collaboration)

- ETCS Hybrid Train Detection System
- Next Generation-Brake System
- Centralized- Driver Advisory System, C-DAS
- Automatic Train Operation, ATO
- Traffic Management System, TMS

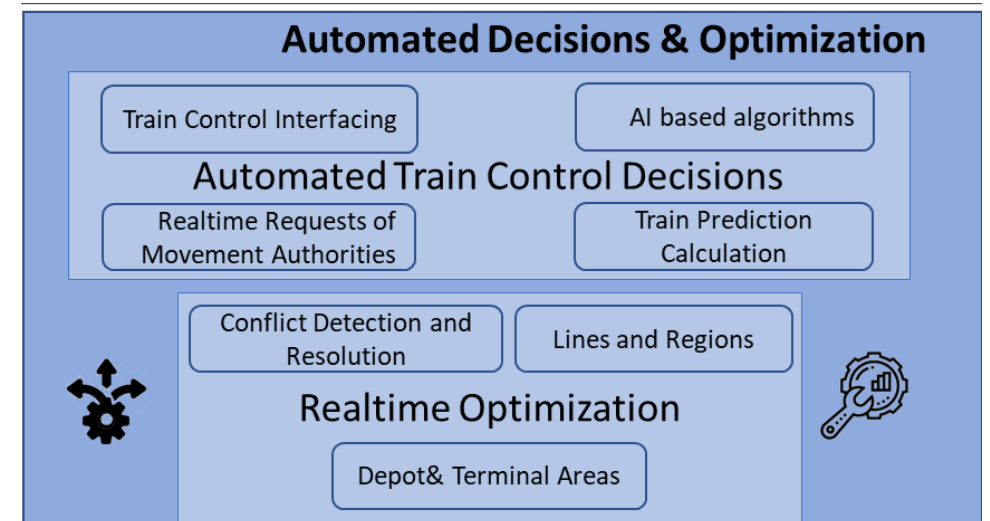
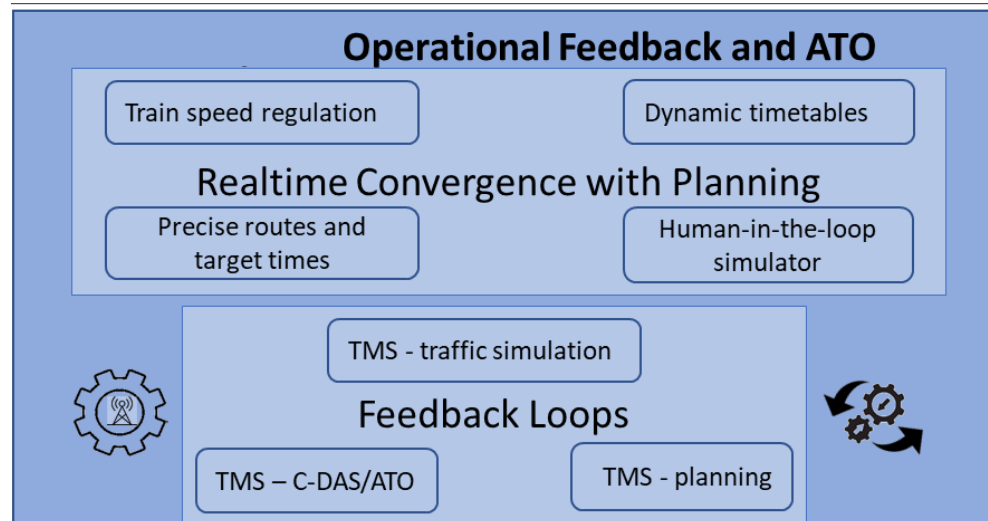
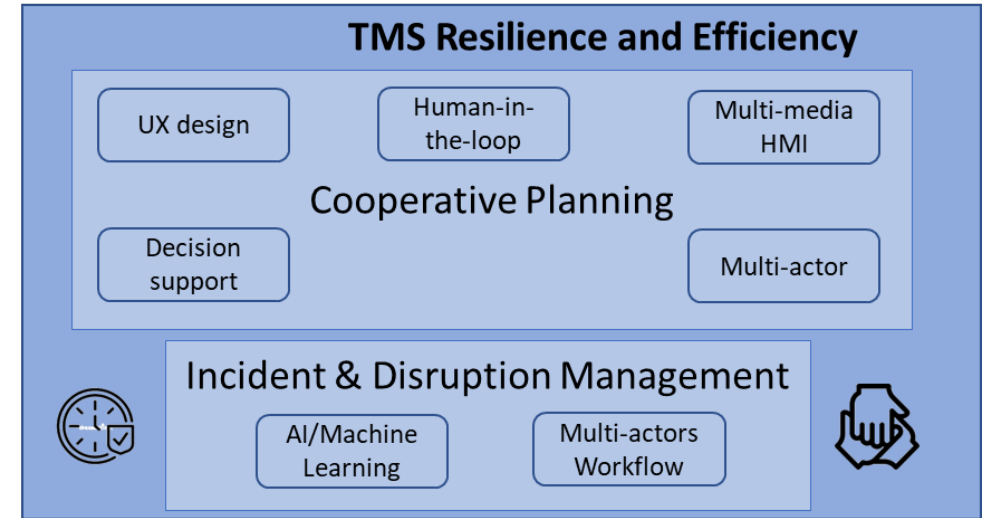
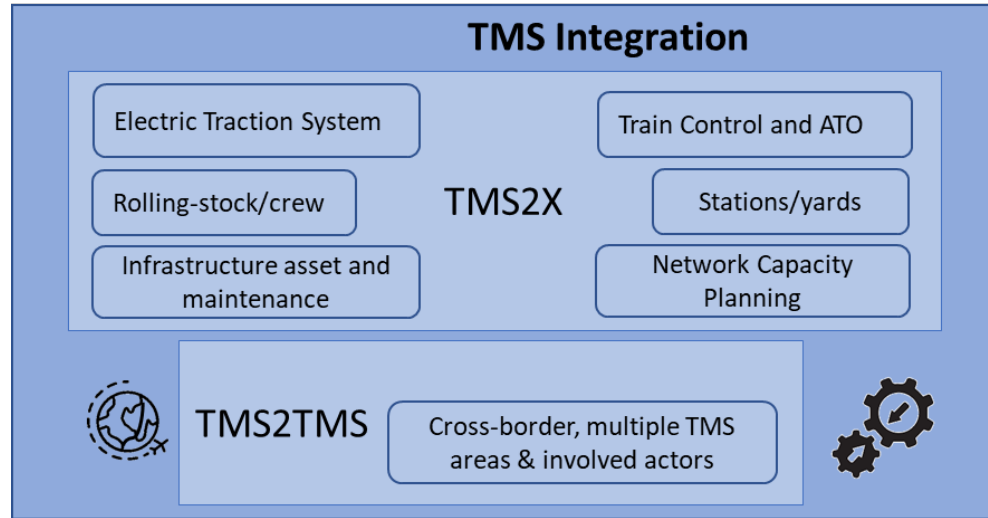
## Developed methods and models for evaluating feedback loops between planning and operations

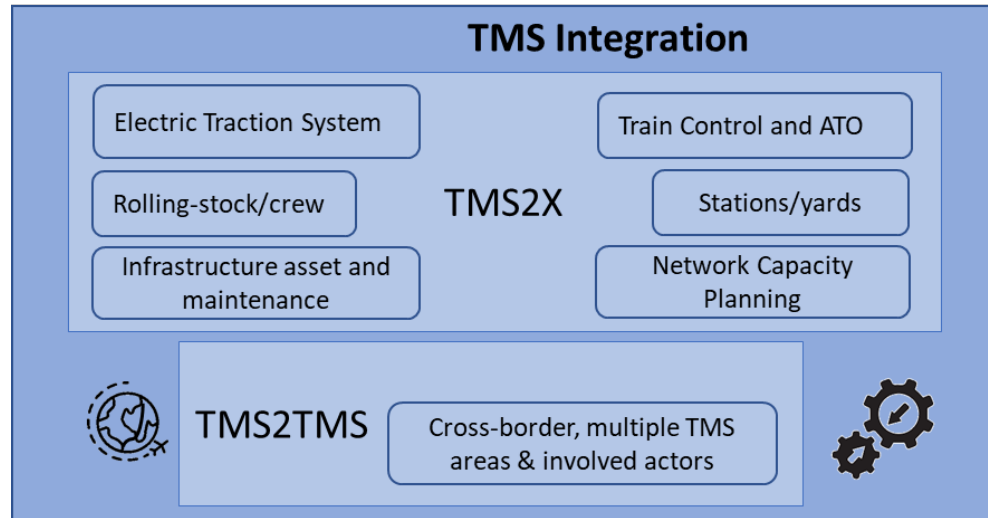
- Develop methods for analysing historical data from operations for evaluation of capacity
- Conclusions on historical data to produce primary delay distributions

- Develop supporting tools/modules for processes that are under development – SystemPillar, RNE and EU legislation
  - Activity - Close dialogue between FP1, SystemPillar and RNE
- Deliver TRL – demonstrations meets TRL level specified
  - Activity 1 – define how to evaluate TRL level for demo algorithm/functionality/method
  - Activity 2 – clear and well defined demonstrations and Technical enablers
- Successful demonstrations
  - Activity 1 – define clear use cases for each demonstration
  - Activity 2 – Well defined activities, template and over all plan for demonstration phase (second phase of motional project 2025 and 2026)



## WS1.2 - Operation





## Technical Integration with external TMS and other actors or systems

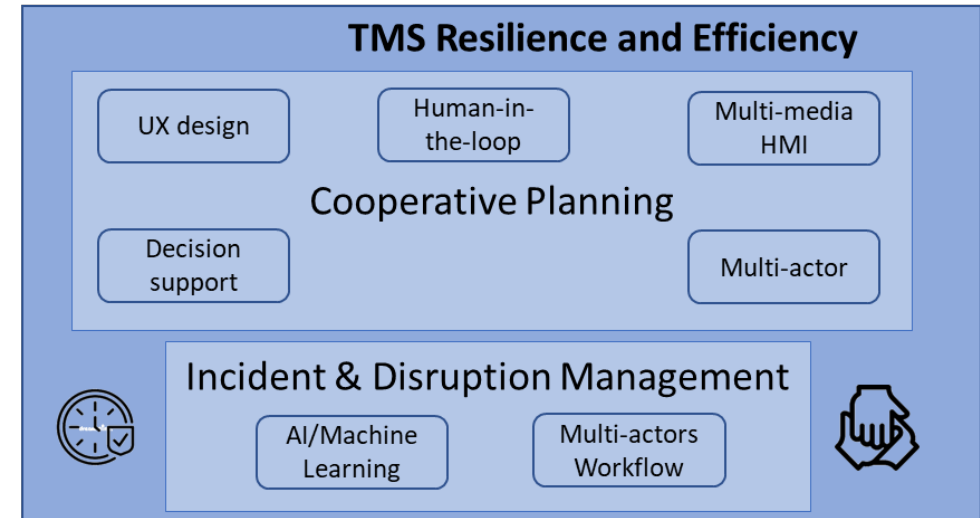
- TMS2X integration
- TMS2TMS collaboration

## Developing processes and interfaces for higher integration of Traffic Management System (TMS) functions and decision processes:

- Creation of unified platforms for seamless communication and coordination between various TMS components across different regions and countries.
- Standardization of protocols and data exchange formats to break down silos and facilitate cohesive traffic management.

## Improved resilience and efficiency

- DSS
- Human factors
- Disturbance/disruption management



## Creating modules for cooperative multi-actor optimization and decision support to enhance disruption management:

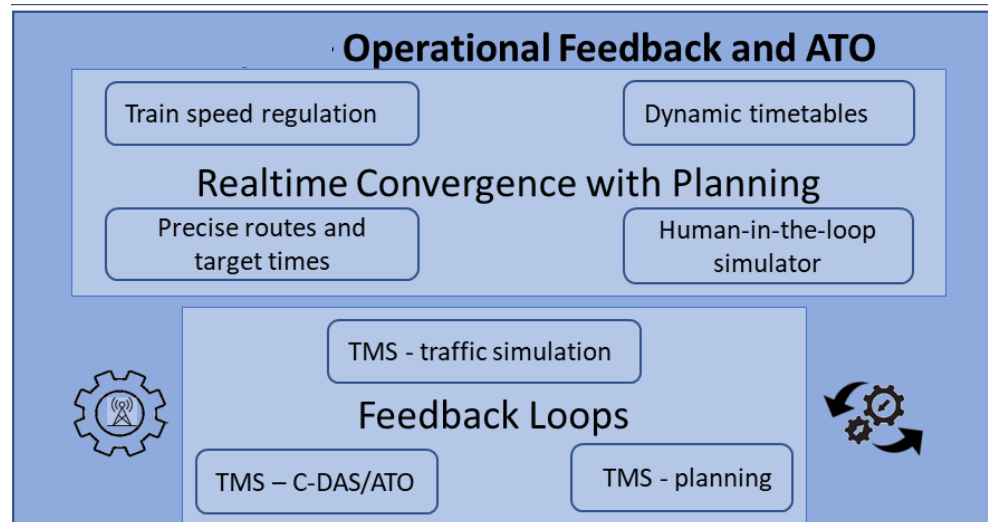
- Real-time collaboration between multiple stakeholders, including infrastructure managers, train operators, and emergency services.
- Integration of advanced analytics and predictive modelling to quickly identify potential disruptions, assess their impact, and coordinate effective responses.

## Improved Automation

- Integration of traffic management system with network capacity planning
- C-DAS and ATO operation
- Energy and capacity optimisation

## TMS and Automatic Train Operation (ATO)/Connected Driver Advisory System (C-DAS) integration:

- Increase network capacity, timetable robustness, energy efficiency, and punctuality
- Precise and adaptive control of train operations for smoother acceleration and braking, optimized speed profiles, and better adherence to schedules.
- Extensive testing and validation to ensure harmonious operation and delivery of intended benefits.

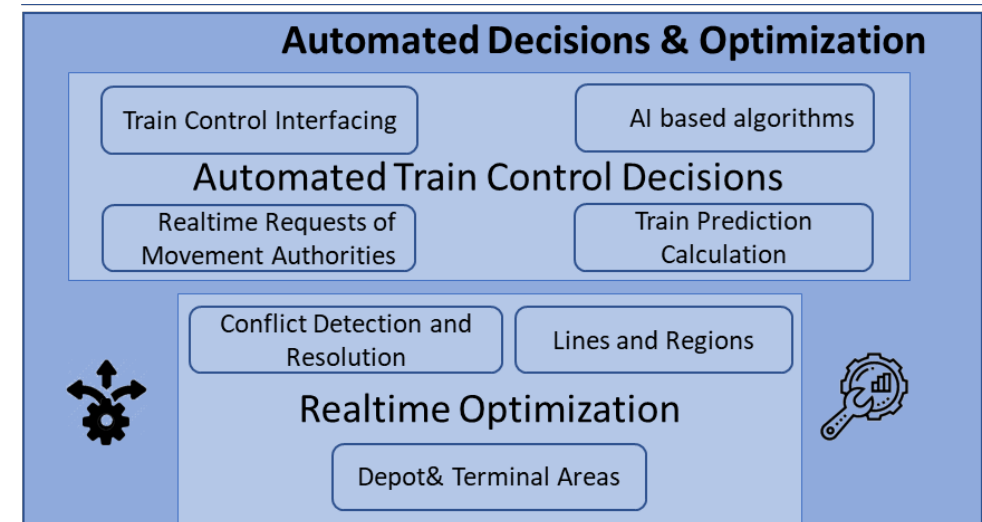




## Automated Decisions and Optimization:

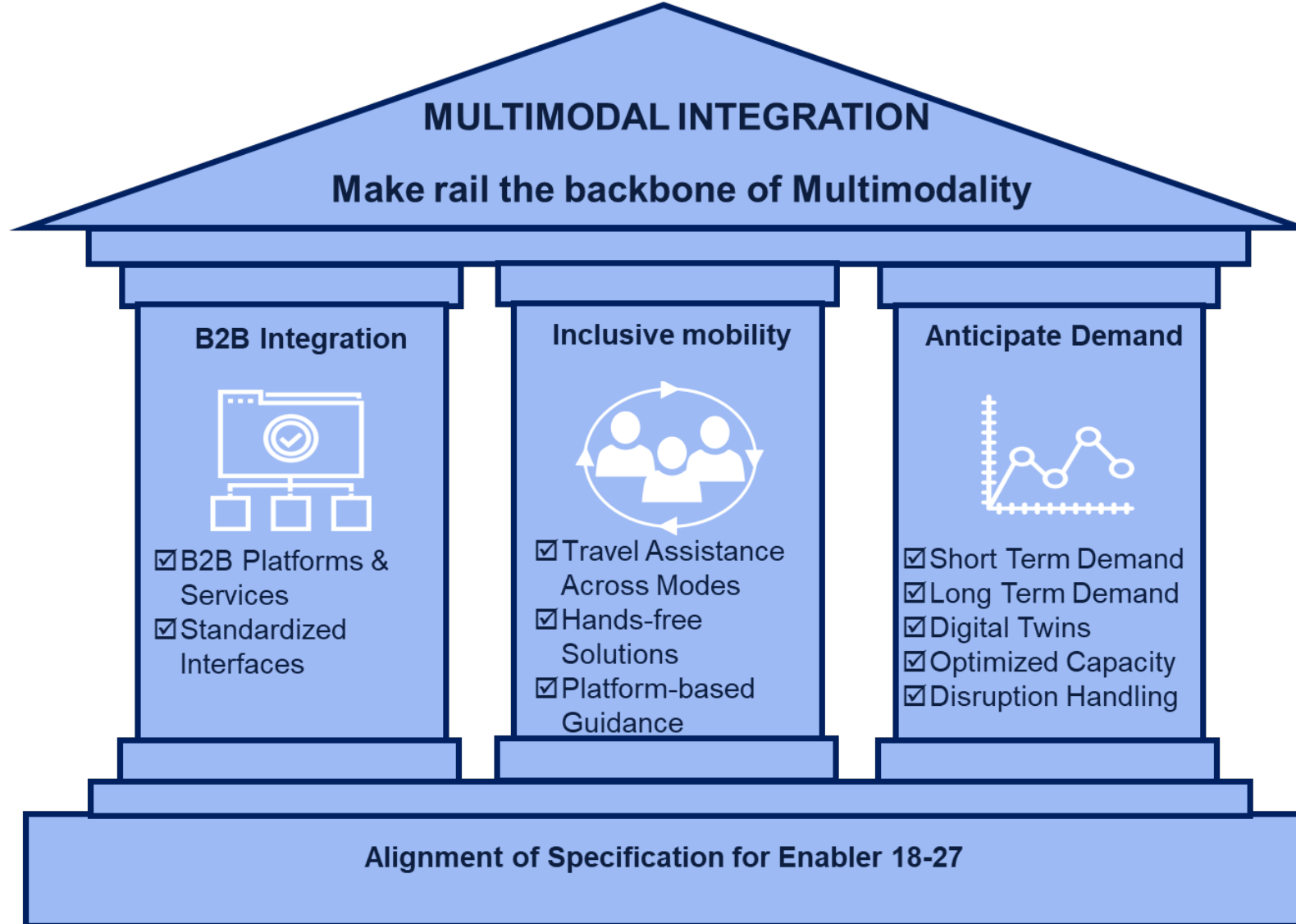
Developing algorithms and modules for future TMS to provide decision support and automate decisions for traffic management.

- Use of machine learning and artificial intelligence to analyze vast amounts of operational data, identify patterns, and make informed decisions in real-time.
- Reduction of reliance on manual intervention, leading to faster and more accurate traffic management decisions, improved capacity utilization, and enhanced overall network performance.





## WS1.3 – Multimodal Integration



## Kick-off & Preparation

- Q4 2022. Preliminary project kick-off
- Q1 2023. Detailed analysis of the 9 enablers part of EU-RAIL Multi-Annual Working Plan from B2B Rail Integration to Travel Assistance, Demand Forecast, Capacity Optimization and Disruption Management
- Q2 2023. Review of Status Quo, baselines, knowledge transfer from previous projects. Definition of a shared engineering approach

## Specification

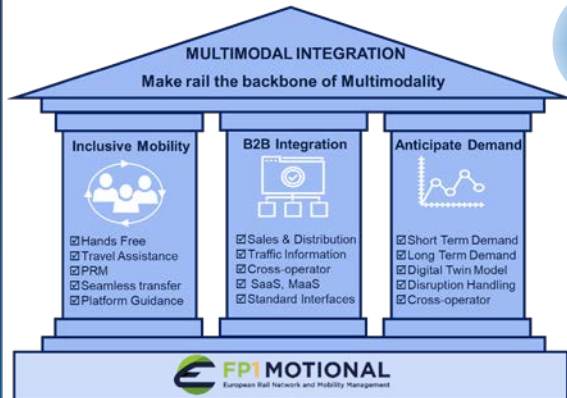
- Q3 2023.
  - Delivery of use cases. A total of 54 use cases responding to the 9 enablers
  - Definition of system requirements, component architecture, data flows, interfaces
- Q4 2023. Delivery of WS1.3 specifications

## Development

- Q1 2024. Refinement of architecture, detailed design of components
- Q2, Q3 2024. Development of components (software, hardware, interfaces)
- Q3, Q4 2024. Iterative Integration and Testing including scenarios mapped to use cases and technical enablers
- Q4 2024. Early version of development reports (due delivery Date November 2024)

## Demos

- 2023. Early vision of demonstrations, a total of 16 demonstrations in live areas (stations, mobility hubs).
- 2024. Framing of demonstration strategy, preparation of demonstration use cases, identification of data inputs, early demonstrations at INNOTRANS.
- Q1 2026 Demonstration execution



**Close developments.** Finalize developments, especially for hardware parts deployed as part of the demos

**Refine demo plans.** Detail storyboards, participants, required data and timelines

**Deliver TRL.** Technical Readiness Level shall meet the ones specified for the enablers

**Put in place interfaces.** As part of the demos, between WS1.3 demos and other FP.

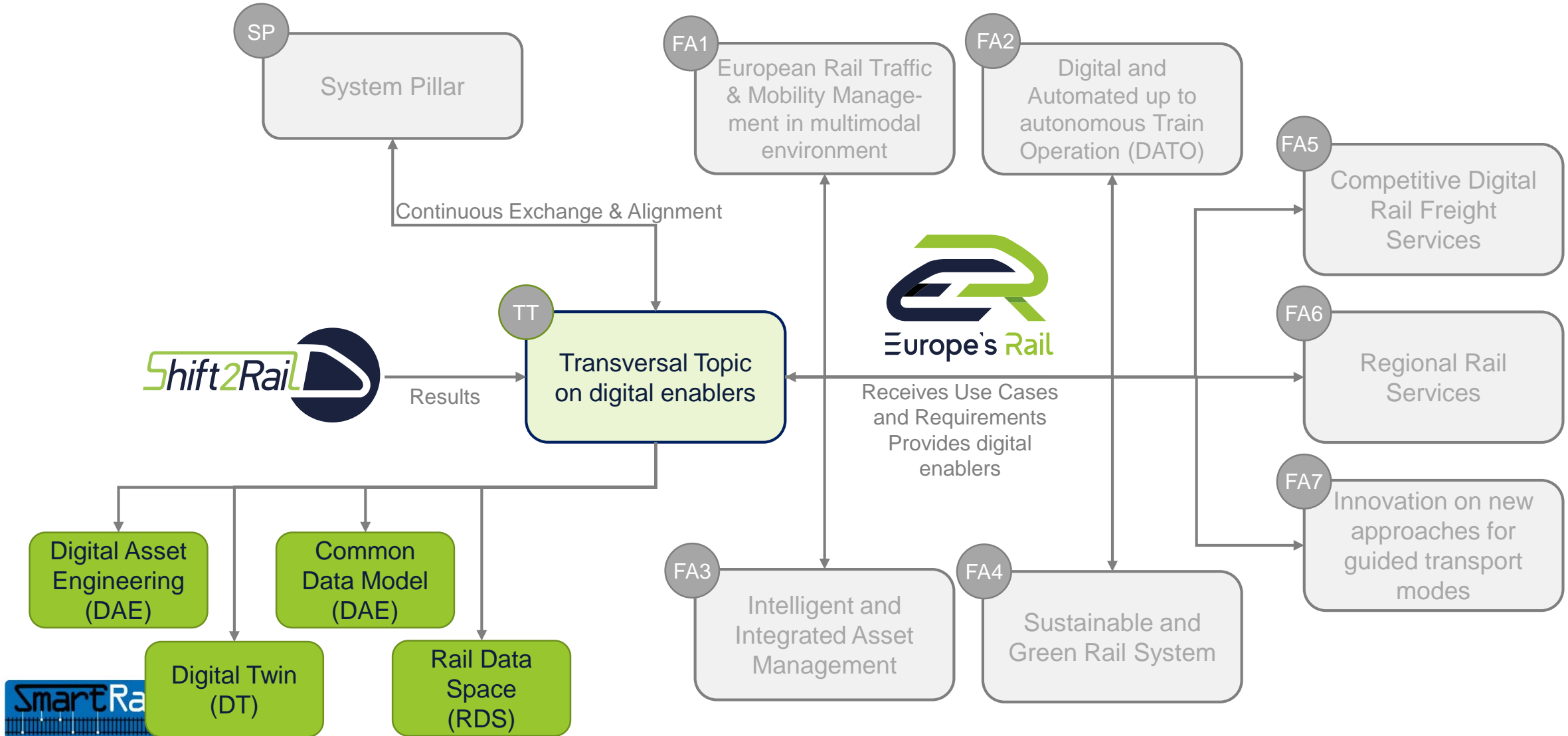
**Deliver demonstration events.** Includes live demos with end-users and results dissemination.



## WS2 – Digital Enablers

# What is a digital enabler?

# Digital Enablers Landscape in the Europe's Rail Joint Undertaking







**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.



## Challenges



Paper-based design processes are prone to information loss



Incomplete information delays the corrective maintenance process



High cost of information exchange (non-standardized formats)



## 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 emissions



Automation saves time in design and construction phases.



**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 composability 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



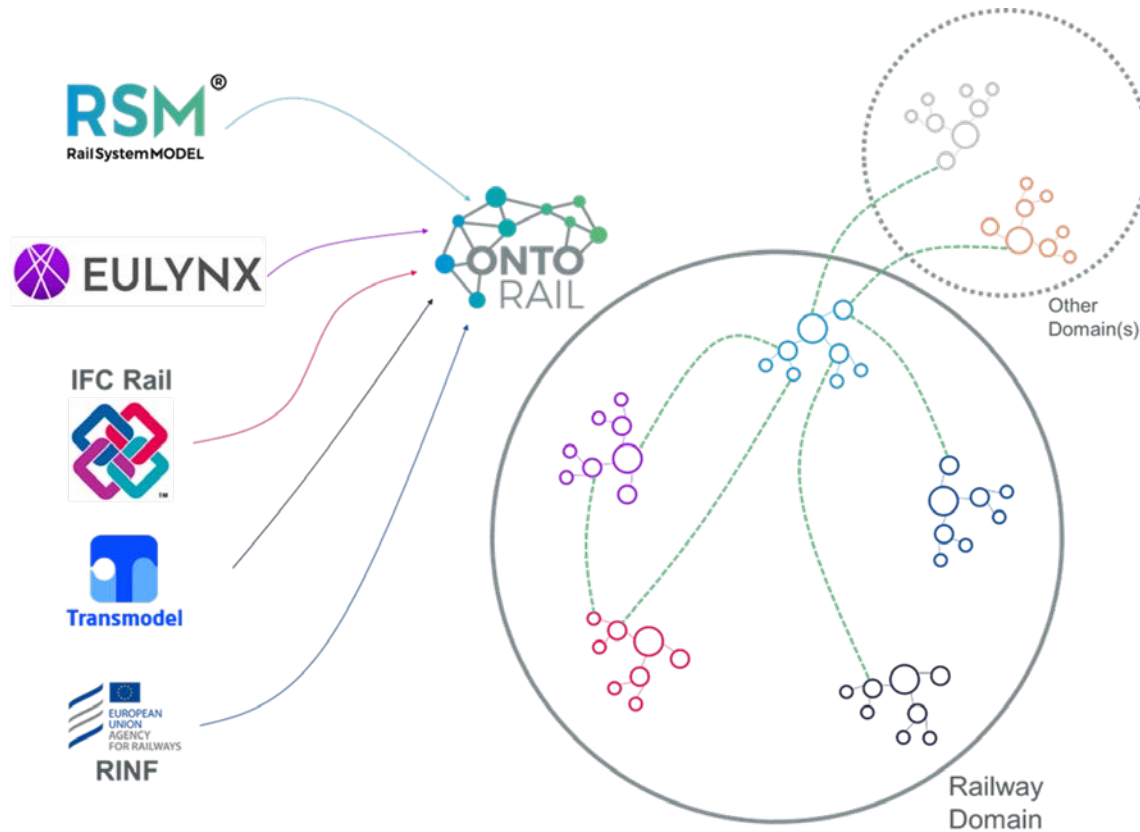
Reduces operational cost through predictive maintenance



New opportunities with AI



**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



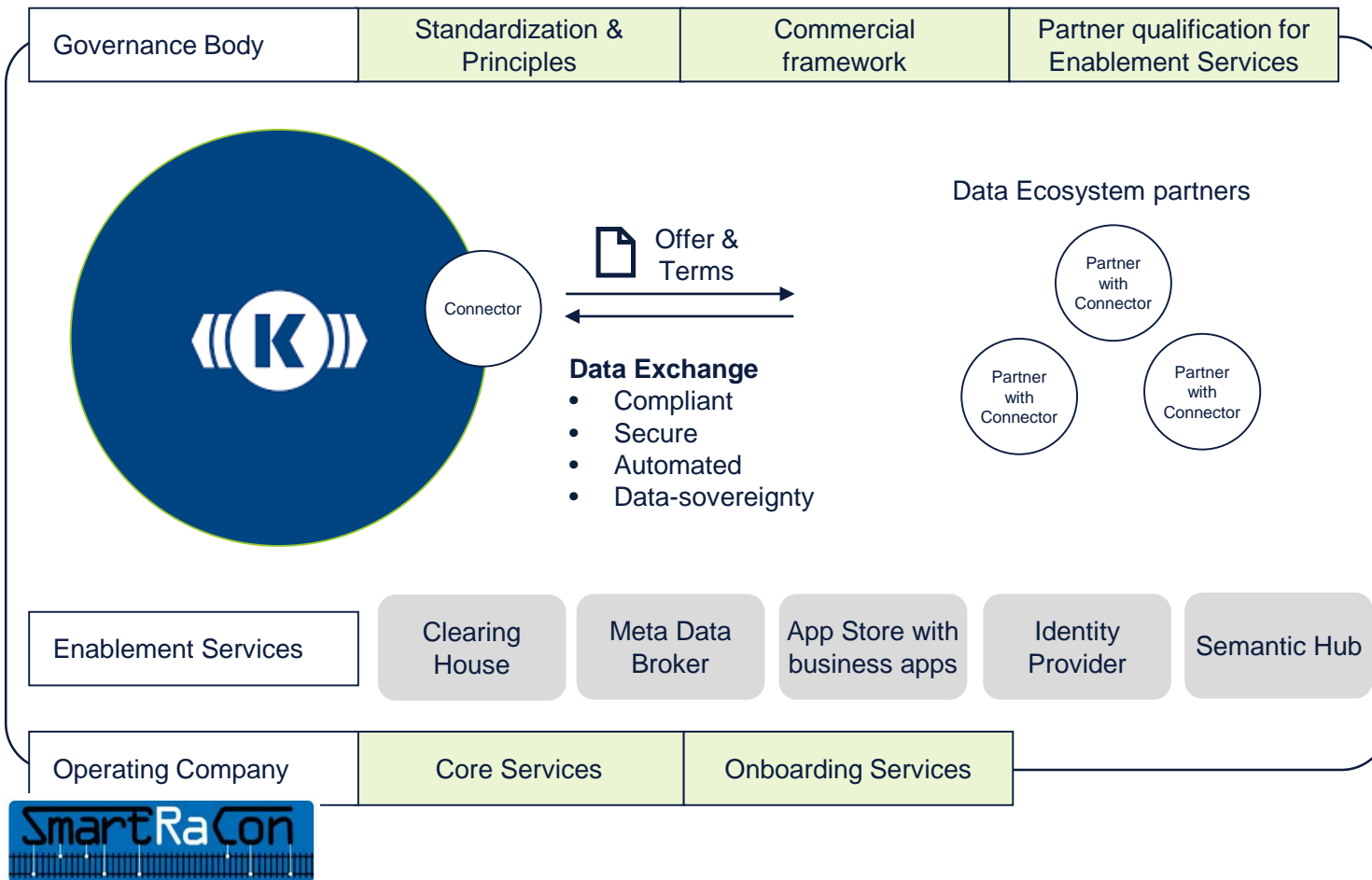
Source of Knowledge for domain users



Fosters reuse and maintainability of the information systems

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

## Rail Data Space



## 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

**Capacity Management**

**Traffic Management**

**Transforming the European rail system, making it more interoperable, resilient, capacity strong and connected to other modes !**

**Multimodal Integration**

**Digital Enablers**





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