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Session 2 - Rail transportation and space Positioning, signalling, connectivity, automation, security and predictive maintenance

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Railway in a nutshell:

• 3 trillion passenger-kilometres travelled across the world per year

Rail transportation – key figures

• **10 trillion** freight tonne-kilometres are travelled around the world. (Source: UIC)



- **80,000** locos, light rail monotractors, multiple units... (1)
- 1.1 million kilometers of railway in the world

<u>(1): EU</u>





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Let's see two major properties of railways :

 World champion in energy efficiency ! Thanks to efficient train and rail-wheel mechanical properties

Amazing traffic flows !

 in a tiny space,
 even at high speed
 Thanks to the guiding principles





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→ A system with good "genes" that goes through the centuries !

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Cesa Some innovations in railway **SNCF** Examples from the past decades in signalling

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A summary of ERRAC 2050 Vision - rail's contribution to meet society's needs

Rail helps to support <u>society's needs</u>

Rail is an effective catalyst for generating <u>economic growth</u> in Europe Rail helps to protect the <u>environment</u>

• Connecting Europe's territories, markets and people,

• Offering comfortable, safe and secure travel for everyone

• Providing highly **skilled jobs** and innovation

• Fostering Europe's **RDI investment**

- Sustainable mobility for passengers and freight
- Energy efficiency for urban and long-distance travel

A vision that meets our society needs, a vision that needs innovations







Master Plan and Multi Annual Work Plan (March 2022):

"The long-term vision for rail transport envisages rail transport as the **backbone of the future mobility** in a multimodal context, as presented in the ERRAC Rail 2050 Vision.

Furthermore, it foresees that new opportunities for **radical changes in the transport system** will appear."

A system wide vision, introducing "Technical enablers" based also on space technologies



When Space capabilities meet Rail's needs









Example of a Space & Rail joint application

The absolute safe train positioning





Our vision : use absolute safe train positioning as a game changer



Major railway functions and performances rely on (safe) train localisation







Our vision: Europe's rail projects to foster the usage of GNSS for ERTMS







Thank you for your attention

