

# E-GNSS IN RAIL SIGNALLING ROADMAP

GSA

GSA ACTIVITIES  
FUNDAMENTAL ELEMENTS

INDUSTRY / EXTERNAL  
STAKEHOLDERS

GSA ACTIVITIES  
H2020

ESA ACTIVITIES

ERA & INDUSTRY WITH  
EXTERNAL GSA SUPPORT

## GSA/ERA

Support UNISIG, Next Generation Train Control & S2R activities from GNSS perspective through H2020, consultancy and involvement of experts and institutions from GNSS fields (ESA, JRC, ESSP...)

## ESA

Support GNSS and Rail stakeholders in coordination with GSA in the field of user requirements, architecture and system concept design, and laboratory testing, especially in connection with receiver development

## ERSAT

Verification of E-GNSS suitability for safety railway application in the Low-density line scenario

## SHIFT2RAIL IP 2

Finalisation of GNSS-based Train Positioning architecture

## 3INSAT

Demonstration of SatNav & SatCom use on Low-density lines

## RHINOS

International collaboration project to develop a Railway High Integrity Navigation Overlay System for rail

## H2020

Application oriented H2020 projects in 3rd / 4th call

Availability of GNSS enabled and certifiable train positioning system for ERTMS

## GALOROI/SATLOC

Definition of concept, architecture and demonstration of potential E-GNSS application in rail

## NGTC

Definition and quantification of GNSS parameters relevant for the signalling application in railway environment

## STARS

The assessment of the E-GNSS performances achievable in the railway environment with the determination of the applicable requirements for the positioning system as well as the necessary evolutions of E-GNSS services and ERTMS/ETCS functions

## RECEIVER DEVELOPMENT

GSA Fundamental Elements programme-Receiver development

## SIMULATION TESTBED

Testbed setup and development of methodology for evaluation of GNSS performance

Development of railway GNSS receiver chain technology enabler to support receiver testing and algorithm validation

Provision of technical support regarding receiver testing and development

## CBA

Based on pre-final technical solution and operational scenarios (GSA SC)

## CERTIFICATION

Development of the rail certification roadmap

Implementation of the certification roadmap, opening doors to potential certification of GNSS components of the train positioning subsystem in collaboration with the ERA

## DG GROW/ DG MOVE

Establish a collaboration platform between DG MOVE and DG GROW to support E-GNSS inclusion in ERTMS

## UNISIG

Performance tests in frame of R&D and joint activities with UNISIG (H2020 2nd call STARS):

- Definition of railway environment regarding future use of E-GNSS
- Validation of E-GNSS performance in georeferenced rail environment (focus on EGNOS & integrity)
- Analysis of multipath and its impact on safety

## UNISIG/ RAIL SECTOR

Finalisation of user requirements on GNSS receiver

Finalisation of train positioning subsystem architecture using GNSS

## ERA/UNISIG

Implementation of technical solution into ERTMS specifications

2015

2016

2017

2018

2019

2020

THE EUROPEAN GNSS AGENCY IS WORKING TOGETHER WITH RAIL AND SPACE INDUSTRY STAKEHOLDERS TO ENABLE THE USE OF SATELLITE-BASED POSITIONING FOR RAILWAY SIGNALLING

At the heart of this multi-stakeholder initiative lies the European Train Control System (ETCS), which is now being adopted both in Europe and beyond, as one of the components of the European Rail Traffic Management System (ERTMS). At present, in ETCS the positioning of the train is based on "balise", a physical element mounted at specific intervals along the railway track. The goal is to ensure that wherever possible, the physical balises can be replaced by virtual ones, based on precise, GNSS-based positioning without any operational or safety implications on the ETCS. The roadmap below summarises the main projects currently running and planned, as well as the involvement of the various stakeholders interested to achieve the objective of E-GNSS enabled ETCS together with the GSA.

