

AGENDA

SUMMIT

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RailNetEurope

on Capacity Regulation

Status as of 9 February 2026

08:00	Welcome & Registration	60 min
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The MS Teams online meeting will be open for attendees from 09:00.

09:00	Opening & First Keynote Speech	25 min
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Opening Speech:

Joachim Kroll, Master of Ceremony, Secretary General, RailNetEurope (RNE)

Welcome Speech:

Paul Mazataud, Event Host, RNE President (SNCF Réseau)

Keynote Speaker 1:

Kristian Schmidt, Director Land Transport, European Commission (DG Move)

09:25	Scene Setter: Learn more about the draft Capacity Regulation	20 min
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Elisabeth Hochhold, Deputy Secretary General, RailNetEurope (RNE) and

Alfred Pitnik, Co-Chair of PRIME Task Force, RNE Vice President (ÖBB)

Short Description:

The event will open with a presentation offering an overview of the draft Capacity Regulation and the opportunities it creates for a more efficient, coordinated, and customer-focused capacity management framework across Europe.

09:45 Panel 1: Success Factors and Sector Expectations 75 min

Panel Moderator:

Linda Thulin, Co-Chair, PRIME Task Force, RNE Vice President (Trafikverket)

Panellists:

- **Thomas Spiegel**, Head of Unit Infrastructure Planning, Austrian Federal Ministry for Innovation, Mobility and Infrastructure (BMIMI)
- **Oana Gherghinescu**, Executive Director, European Union Agency for Railways (ERA)
- **Edgar Schenk**, Managing Director, Forum Train Europe (FTE)
- **Reinhard Haller**, Head of Market & Performance, RailNetEurope (RNE)
- **Sven Gjeruldsen**, RNE Vice President (Bane NOR)
- **Udo Sauerbrey**, Member of the Board, International Rail Freight Business Association (IBS)
- **Josef Schneider**, Member of the Management Board, European Passengers' Federation (EPF)
- **Roberto Piazza**, Director for Access to Railway and Port Infrastructure, Italian Transport Regulatory Authority (ART)

Short Panel Description:

Key stakeholders and decision-makers will share their views on the critical factors that make the implementation of the Capacity Regulation a success, as well as their own commitments and expectations from other players to make this a reality.

11:00 Coffee Break 30 min

11:30 Panel 2: Harmonised and Market-Oriented Capacity Management 60 min

Panel Moderator:

Oliver Sellnick, VP European Corridors and Cooperations, DB InfraGO, RNE Vice President

Panellists:

- **Weronika Karbowskiak**, Head of Department, Cooperation with International Organizations, PKP PLK S.A., RNE Vice President
- **Jan Ilík**, Head of International Department, České dráhy; Member of the Executive Board, Forum Train Europe (FTE)
- **Elmer van Buuren**, Co-Founder & Member of Managing Board, European Sleeper; President, ALLRAIL
- **Bettina Wunsch-Semmler**, Compliance Officer & Regulatory Affairs, DB Cargo AG
- **Philipp Koiser**, Head of Capacity Management, RailNetEurope (RNE)

Short Panel Description:

Learn more about how Capacity Management elements will be implemented, satisfying the expectations of stakeholders and the Capacity Regulation - and which obstacles need to be overcome on the way to full implementation.

12:30 *Lunch Break* 60 min

13:30 **Keynote Speeches** 20 min

Keynote Speaker 2:

John Voppen, Chief Executive Officer, ProRail (designated ENIM Co-Chair)

Keynote Speaker 3:

Johann Pluy, Member of the Management Board, ÖBB-Infra AG (designated ENIM Co-Chair)

13:50 **Panel 3: Developments in Traffic Management Network Concept** 60 min

Panel Moderator:

Tomas Jonikaitis, RNE Vice President (LTG Infra)

Panellists:

- **Martijn Meegdes**, Strategic Advisor International Traffic Management, ProRail
- **Christian Schneider**, Expert for the European Strategy in Traffic Management, DB InfraGO AG
- **Silva Kristan**, Head of the Department for Traffic Planning and Technology, SŽ Infrastruktura (SŽI)
- **Peter Šišolák**, Head of Traffic Management, RailNetEurope (RNE)
- **Szilárd Kövesdi**, CEO, GYSEV Zrt.

Short Panel Description:

Receive the latest updates on RNE's initiatives to implement the network concept, in line with the Capacity Regulation, to support more efficient train operations across the European railway network.

14:50 Panel 4: Roadmap to make European Railway Digital 60 min

Panel Moderator:

Michel Geubelle, RNE Vice President (Infrabel)

Panellists:

- **Andras Till**, Team Leader CM IT, RailNetEurope (RNE)
- **Ben Beirnaert**, General Manager, Combinant; Member of the Board of Directors, UIRR
- **Hanna Muenninghoff**, Chief Executive Officer, RailData
- **Yann Seimandi**, Policy Officer, European Commission
- **Polymnia Vasilopoulou**, Team Leader (a.i.), European Union Agency for Railways (ERA)

Short Panel Description:

Explore the most recent IT developments related to the Capacity Regulation as well as the Telematics TSI and their impact on the digitalisation of railway operations.

15:50 Conclusions & Closing of the RailNetEurope Summit 2026 10 min

Master of Ceremony and all Moderators:

- **Joachim Kroll**, Master of Ceremony, Secretary General, RailNetEurope (RNE)
- **Linda Thulin**, Co-Chair PRIME Task Force, RNE Vice President (Trafikverket)
- **Oliver Sellnick**, VP European Corridors and Cooperations, DB InfraGO, RNE Vice President
- **Tomas Jonikaitis**, RNE Vice President (LTG Infra)
- **Michel Geubelle**, RNE Vice President (Infrabel)

16:00 End of the Event
