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Sustainability of train services

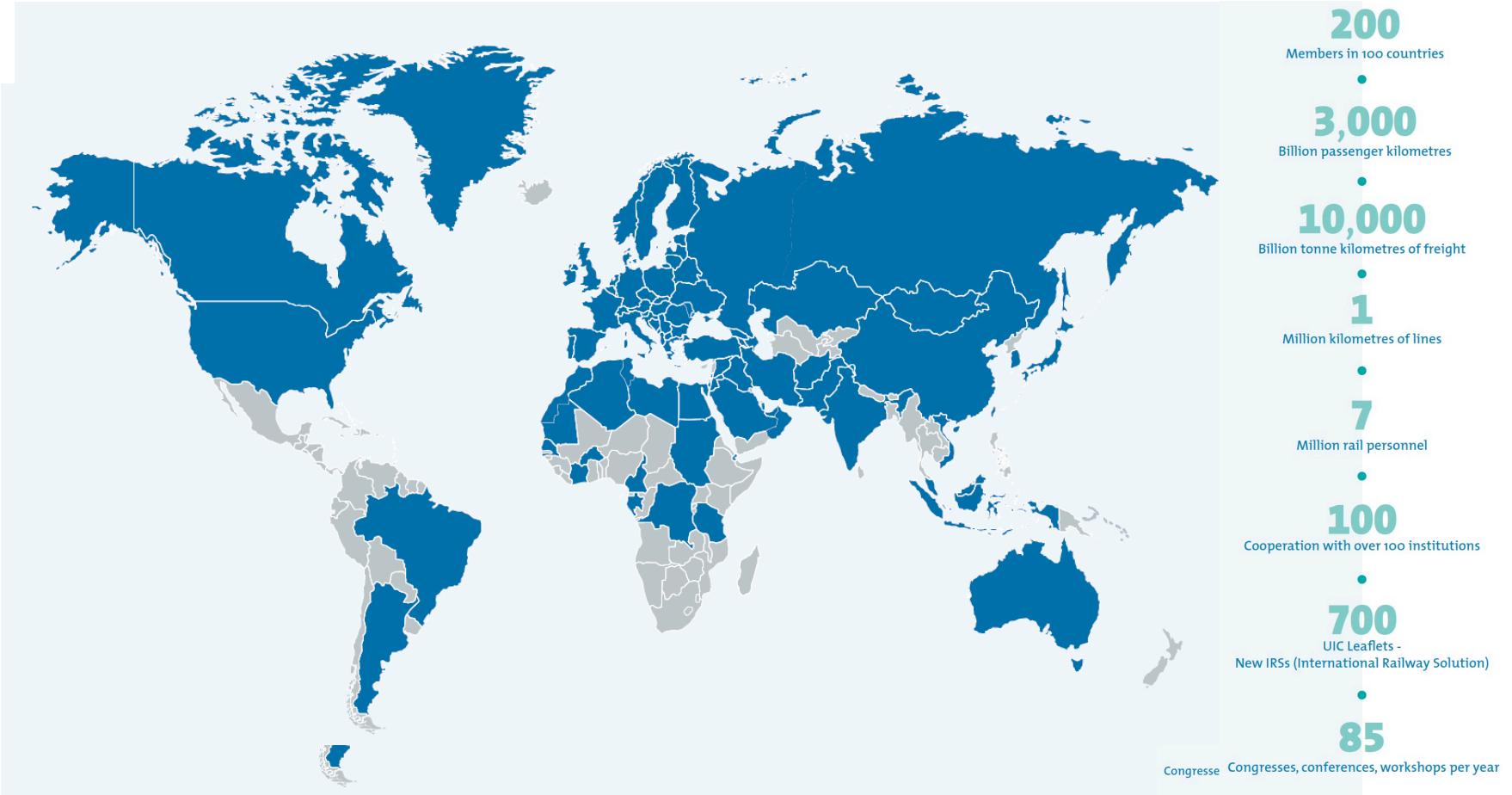
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International Union of Railways



EES (Energy, Environment, Sustainability) activities

EES Platform

Core Group

Working Bodies

Energy
Efficiency &
CO2

Noise &
Vibration

Sustainable
Mobility

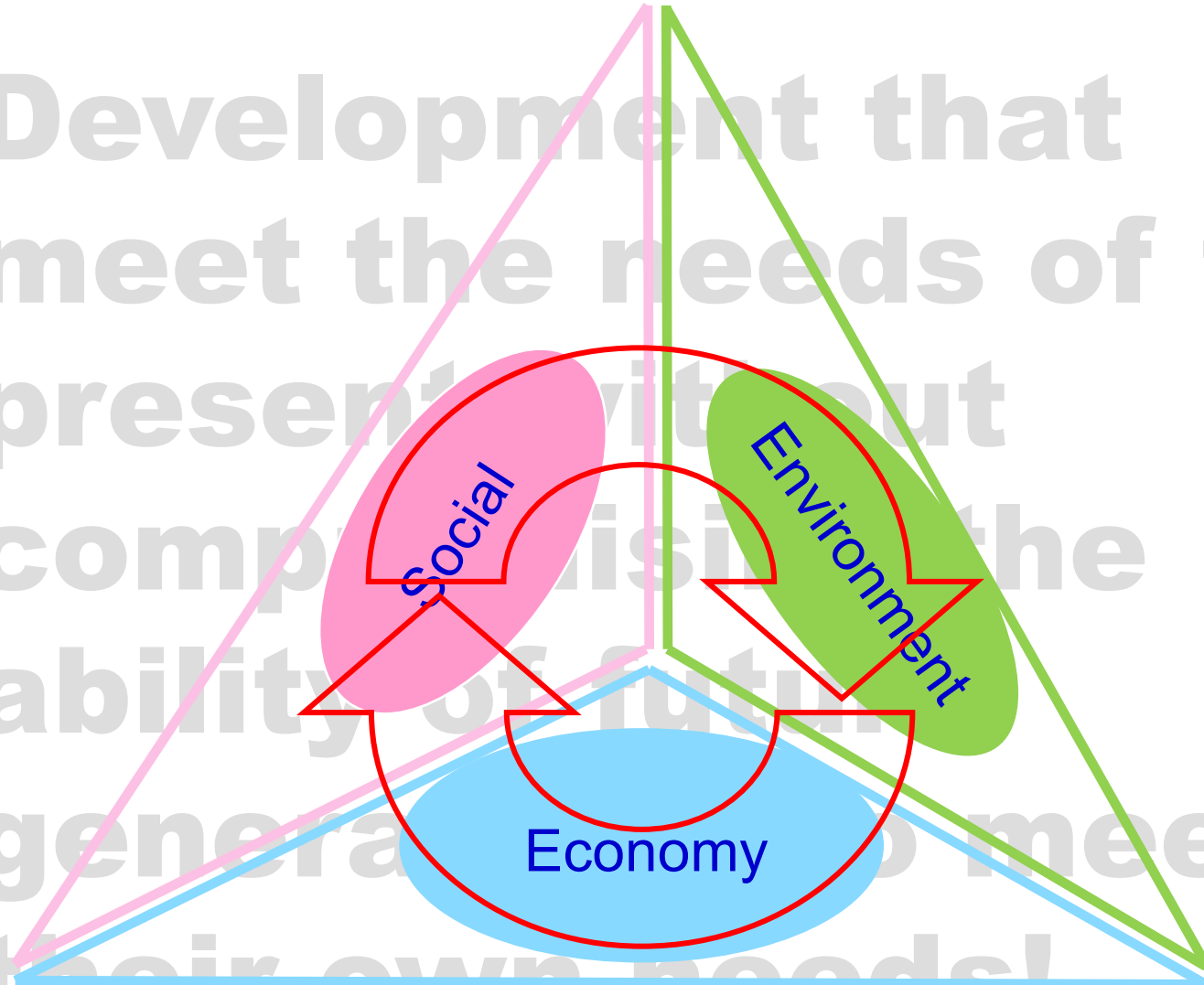
Diesel and
Local
Emissions

Sustainable
Land Use

Sustainable Development

- three linked elements -

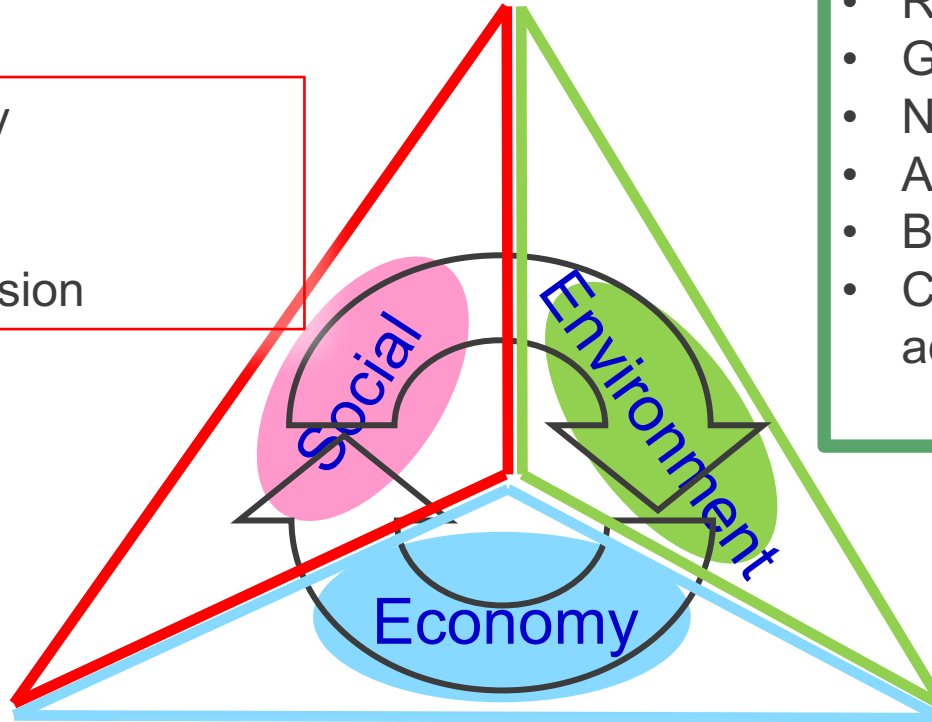
Development that meet the needs of the present without compromising the ability of future generations to meet their own needs!



Sustainable Transport

- three linked elements -

- Accessibility
- Affordability
- Safety
- Social cohesion

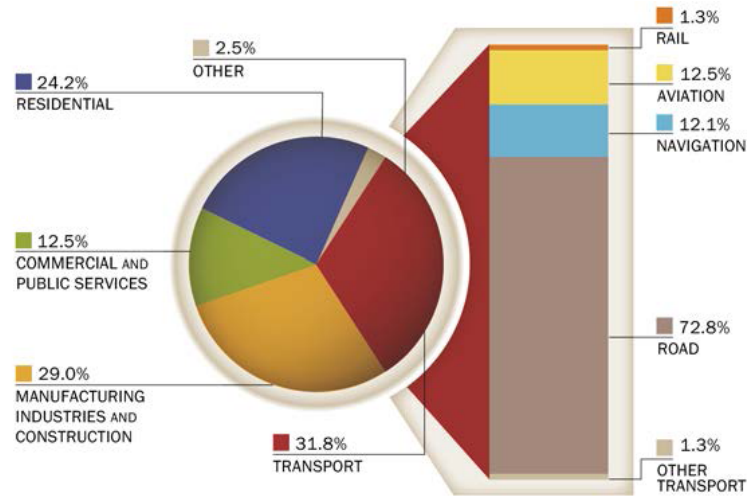


- Resource efficiency
- GHG emission
- Noise and vibrations
- Air quality
- Biodiversity
- Climate change adaptation

- Profitability
- Green jobs
- Congestion
- Energy security

Energy efficiency

EU28 Share of final energy consumption by sector, 2013



1,3%

EU28 transport modal share, 2013

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Source: IEA & UIC Railway handbook 2016

Drivers for energy efficiency

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- On board technology: traction chain, (pre) heating, (pre) cooling, lighting, ventilation, automatic closing of doors
- Regenerative braking
- Ecodriving, DAS, ATO = more **punctual train traffic**, smoother trains, less energy
- Infrastructure: efficiency of substations, transmission and overhead contact lines, optimization of speed profiles
- Type of train service: number of stops/100km
- Type of train service: speed

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= **average mass per seat** (mass of traction units included) varies from about 400 kg/seat (commuter train) to 1050 kg/seat (HST)

- design of rolling stock, (e.g: double stock, bogies between coaches)
- Material: steel, aluminium, composite

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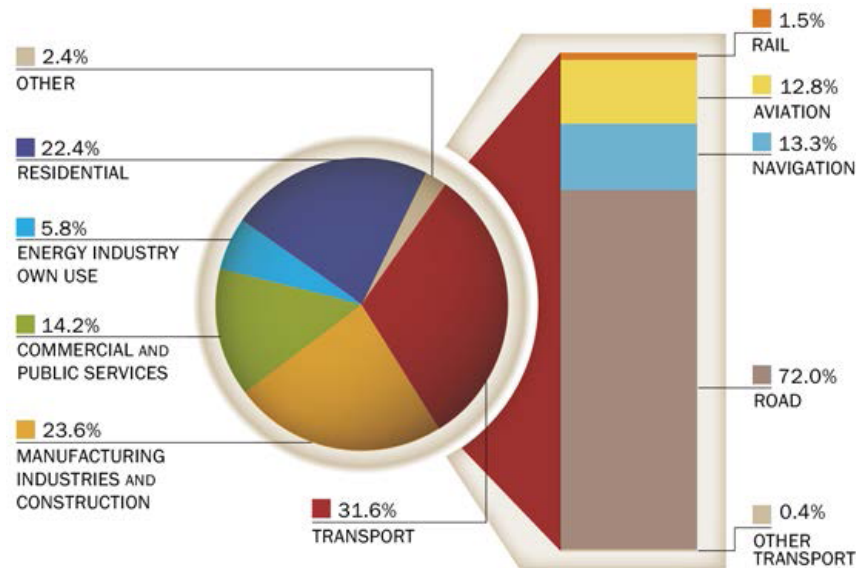
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= inverse of load factor: a KPI for the efficiency of any transport service

- Punctual and qualitative train service attracts more costumers, enhances modal shift
- modular train composition
- Tariff differentiation as an incentive to travel outside the rush hours
- Automatic assessment of LF, also as a service to the costumer

CO₂ emissions (EU28)

EU28 Share CO₂ emissions by sector, 2013



1,5%

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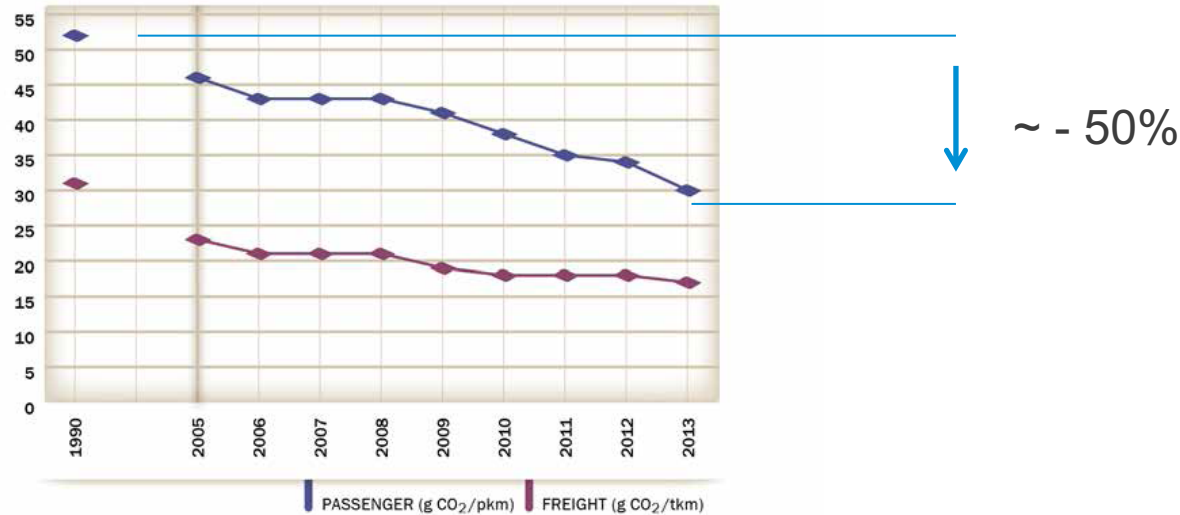
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Note: Electricity and heat emissions are reallocated to the end-use sectors. In transport, all the emissions from electricity and heat production are reallocated to rail
 Source: IEA & UIC Railway handbook 2016

Railway specific CO₂ emissions

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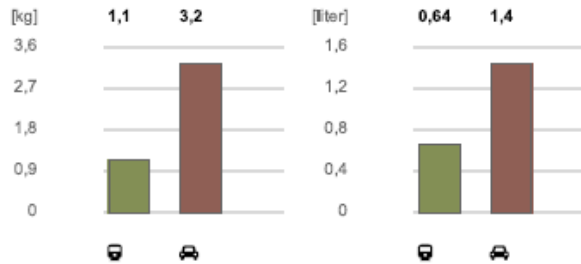


- electrical traction replacing diesel traction
- ↗ energy efficiency
- ↘ Specific CO₂ emission per kWh – national mix
- ↘ Specific CO₂ emission per kWh – railway specific mix with or without GO's



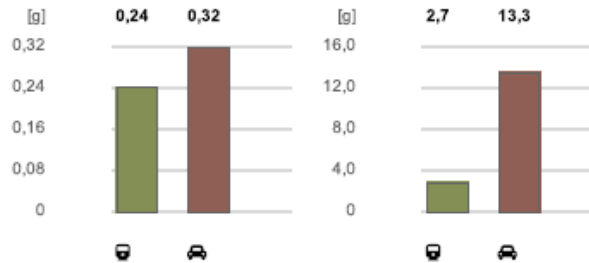
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🚗 Start/Destination ROMA TERMINI (Italy) [IT] CASTEL GANDOLFO (Italy) [IT]	Details Middle class; Diesel EURO 4;	Duration 0:28	Products Car
✖️ Aircraft: No reasonable air connection could be found.			
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✈️	Average load factor (normally crowded)		
🚗	1,5 Passengers (european average utilization)		



Carbon dioxide
greenhouse-gas, global warming

Energy resource consumption
resource consumption / primary energy



Particulate matter
human toxicity

Nitrogen oxides
acidification, nitrification, summer smog/ozone

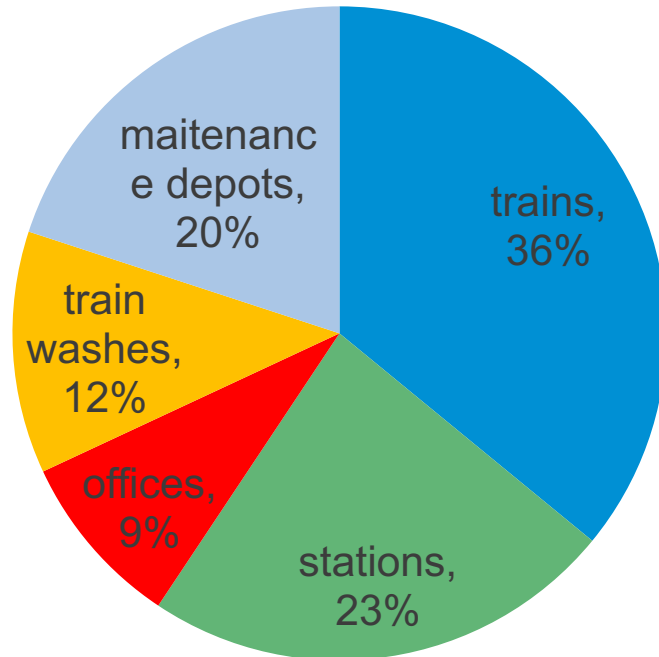
Railway Climate Responsibility Pledge

On the low carbon track

- 1. reduce my company's specific energy consumption and CO2 emission,*
- 2. stimulate modal shift to rail in national and international markets,*
- 3. actively communicate climate friendly initiatives undertaken by my company during the year 2016 and beyond,*
- 4. report data on my company's specific energy consumption and CO2 emissions to UIC on a regular basis.*

Resource efficiency: use of tap water

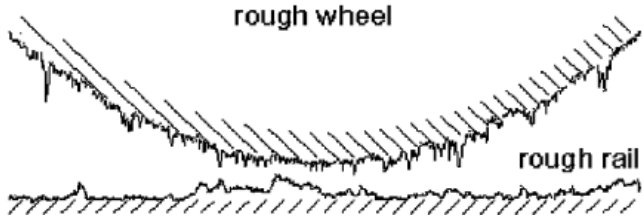
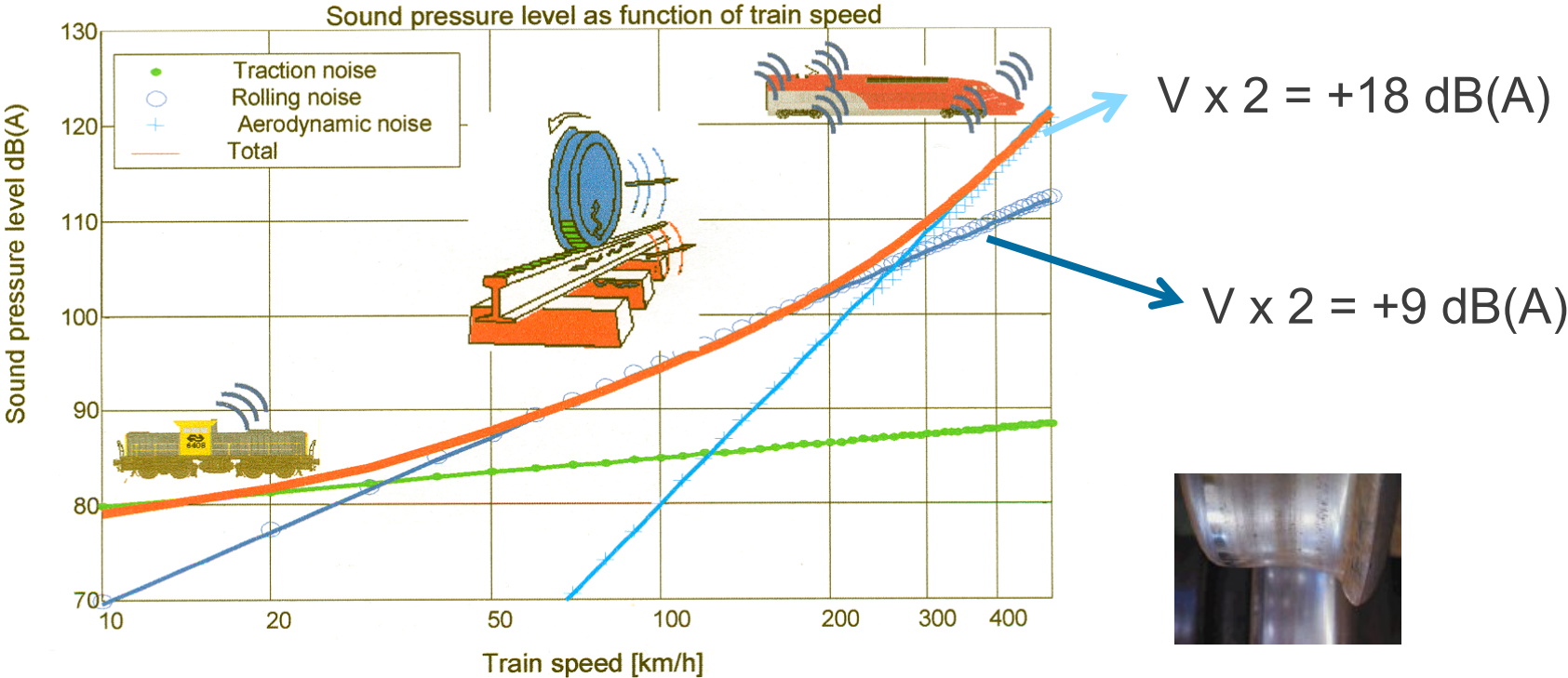
Use of tap water by SNCB (2016)



Actions

- More accurate follow-up of water consumption
- Detect leaks in water taps and water supply and fix them quickly
- Switch to rainwater where possible
- New train wash facilities= 50% less water (trains are washed every 3-4 days)

Noise



TSI noise

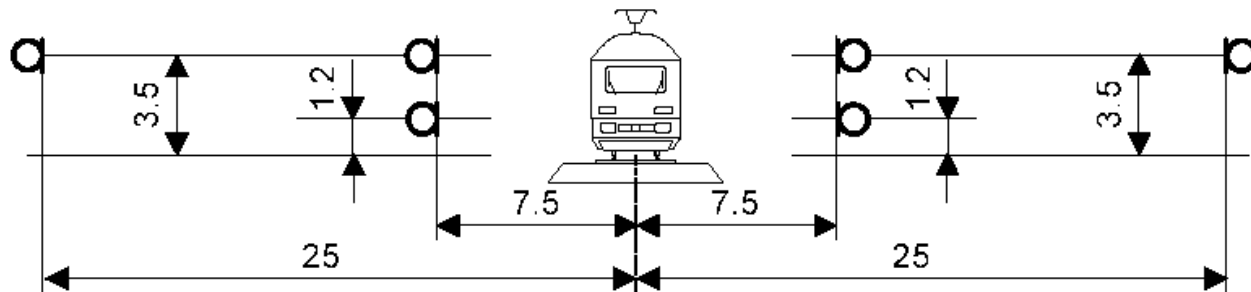
COMMISSION DECISION of 23 December 2005
concerning the technical specification for interoperability relating to the
subsystem 'rolling stock noise' of the trans-European conventional rail system

e.g. **Applicable for EMU** (other values for E-locs, D-locs, DMU, coaches)

- stationary noise, $L_{pAeq,T}$: 68 dBA (1)
- starting noise, $L_{pAF,max}$: 82 dBA (1)
- **pass-by noise**, $L_{pAeq,Tp}$ (80 km/h): 81 dBA (2)
- driver's cab interior noise (max. speed); $L_{pAeq,T}$: 78 dBA

(1) @ 7,5m, 1,2m high

(2) @ 7,5m, 1,2 m high and 3,5 m high



Noise, rail infrastructure

EIA (Environmental Impact Assessment) mandatory when a new railway is planned or when an existing line is upgraded

- **Noise is one of the most important aspects**
- Noise mitigation
 - Reduce noise at source!
 - Keep distance between railway line and houses!
 - Optimisation rail infrastructure constituents (rail pad, sleeper, ballast,...)
 - Bundling with highways
 - Noise screens
 - Noise berm (earth wall)
 - Frequent grinding of rails, preventing rail corrugation



Air Quality

- Electrical traction: no exhaust emissions
- Emissions from brakes
 - No emissions with dynamic brake (regenerative braking)
 - Low emissions from pads of disk brakes
- Emissions from airco-installations on board,
 - Removal of all harmful gases (such as R22)
 - Frequent verification of leakages R407C or R134A

Climate change adaptation

- Improved design of new railway substructure and superstructure, resistance to extreme weather conditions (heavy rain, flood, heat)
- Improved design of electrical overhead lines, resistance to heavy winds
- Storm → lower speed
- Fine snow can disrupt electronic devices on board
- Automatic flood detection → lower speed
- Storm basin to prevent flooding of railway line

