

# “First EGNOS implementation in a commercial rail line: Pinerolo-Sangone”

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# Status of railway infrastructure & evolution

Total network: 16.700 km

~ 1.000 km

High Speed

~ 2.900 km

Basic performance

~ 3.900 km

Medium performance

~ 8.900 km

Regional, Local



## ERTMS Acceleration Plan

Deploy the ERTMS on the entire Italian railway infrastructure and trains

**first ERTMS deployment on Regional lines**

Decommissioning of legacy systems as requested by EC



Italian Network  
Passengers per day

**+2 million** by train

Italian Network  
Every day

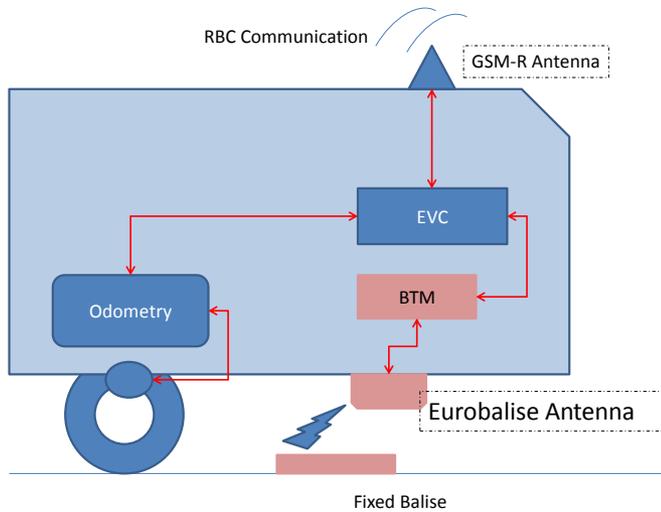
**+8.500** trains

# ERSAT Program: ERTMS + SATELLITE

- Conceived in 2012 to enhance the **ERTMS standard**
  - Contribution to the **Game Changer** innovation
    - Satellite positioning
    - Bearer-independent telecoms
- 2 of the 4 Game Changers included in the ERSAT Program
- Comprehensive plan to validate, certify, standardize and upgrade the new technologies in a stepped manner with milestones to activate the operational service
  - Involvement of the **rail & satellite community**
  - Expectations that EGNOS be a **Service o ERTMS** with support from EC, GSA, ESA and ESSP

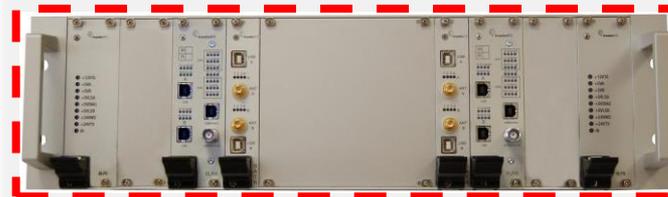
# Game Changing

## ETCS

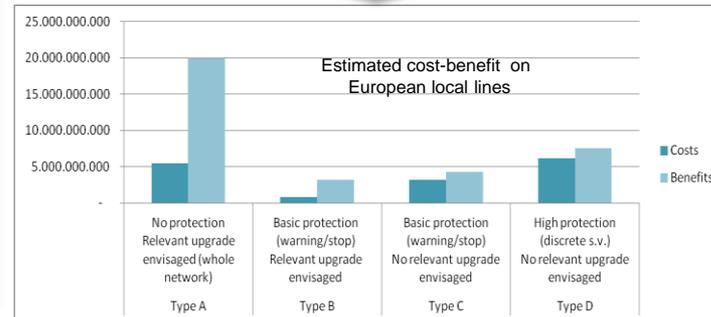


## AS-IS

## EGNSS



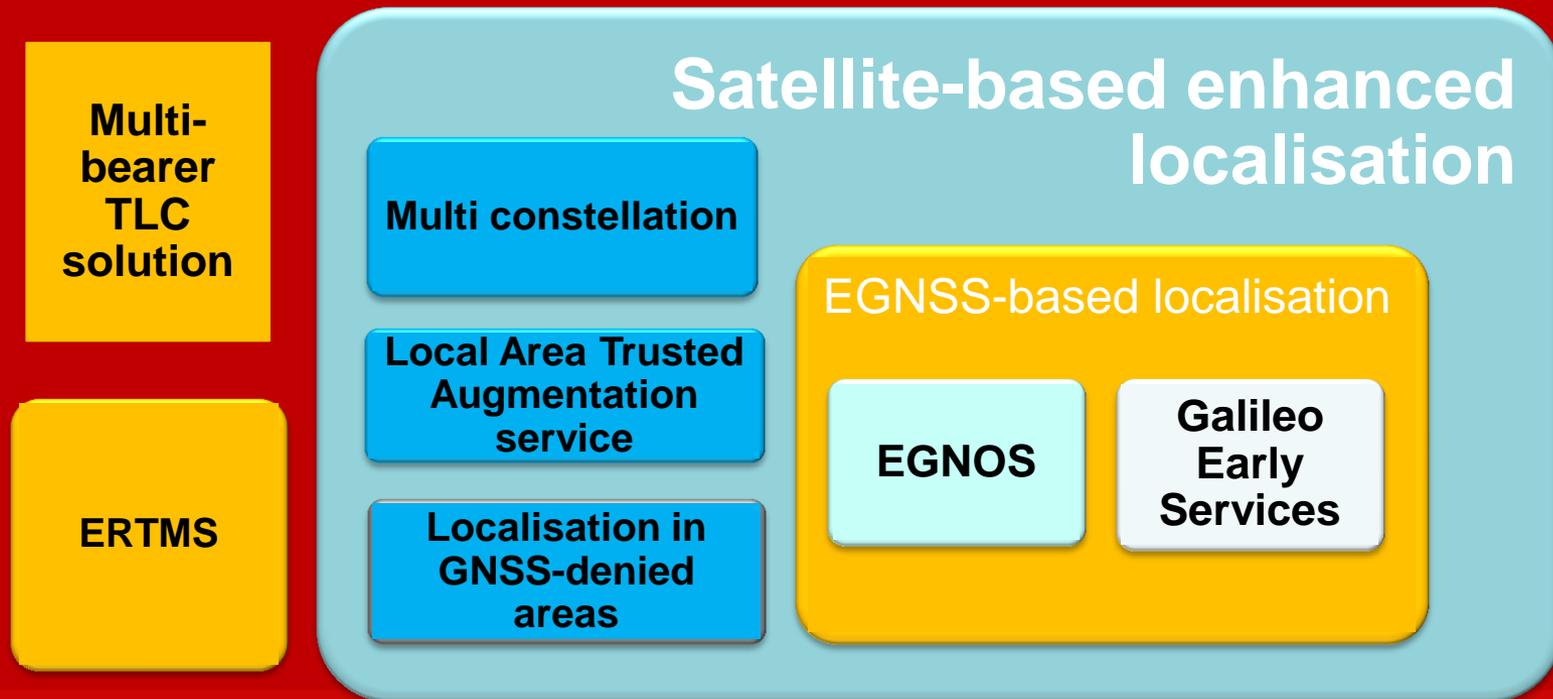
## TO-BE



Ref: CBA Grail-2, Bocconi University

# ERSAT

## Enhanced Railway Signalling Application



# Sardinia Test Bed



Double-Track

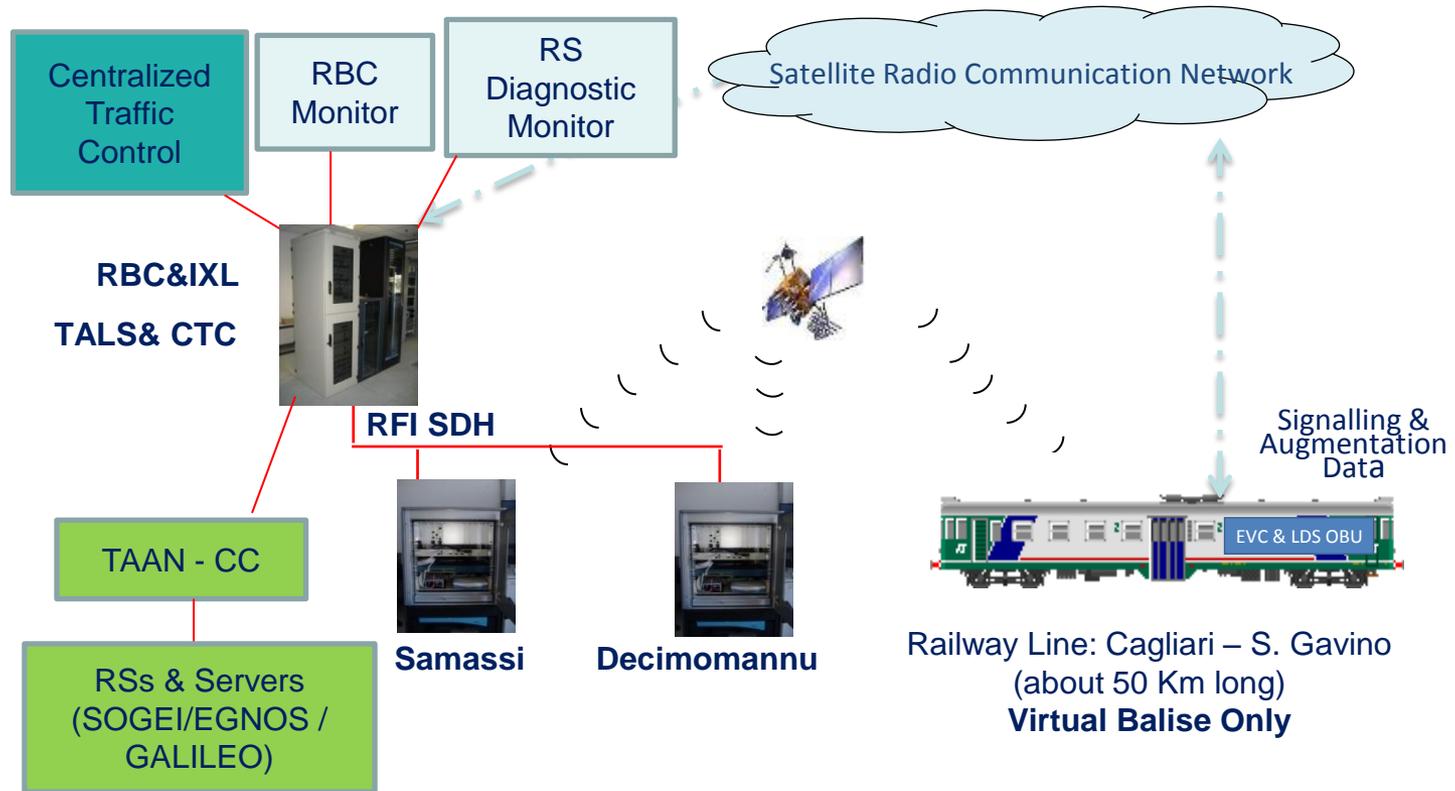
## Trackside Subsystem:

- 50 Km with 2 Local Reference Stations
  - Samassi
  - Decimomannu
- 1 Radio Block Centre (RBC)
- 1 TALS (Track Augmentation LDS Server)
- EGNOS
- Public Augmentation Network SOGEI GRDNet (GNSS R&D Network): RTK/NRTK technology

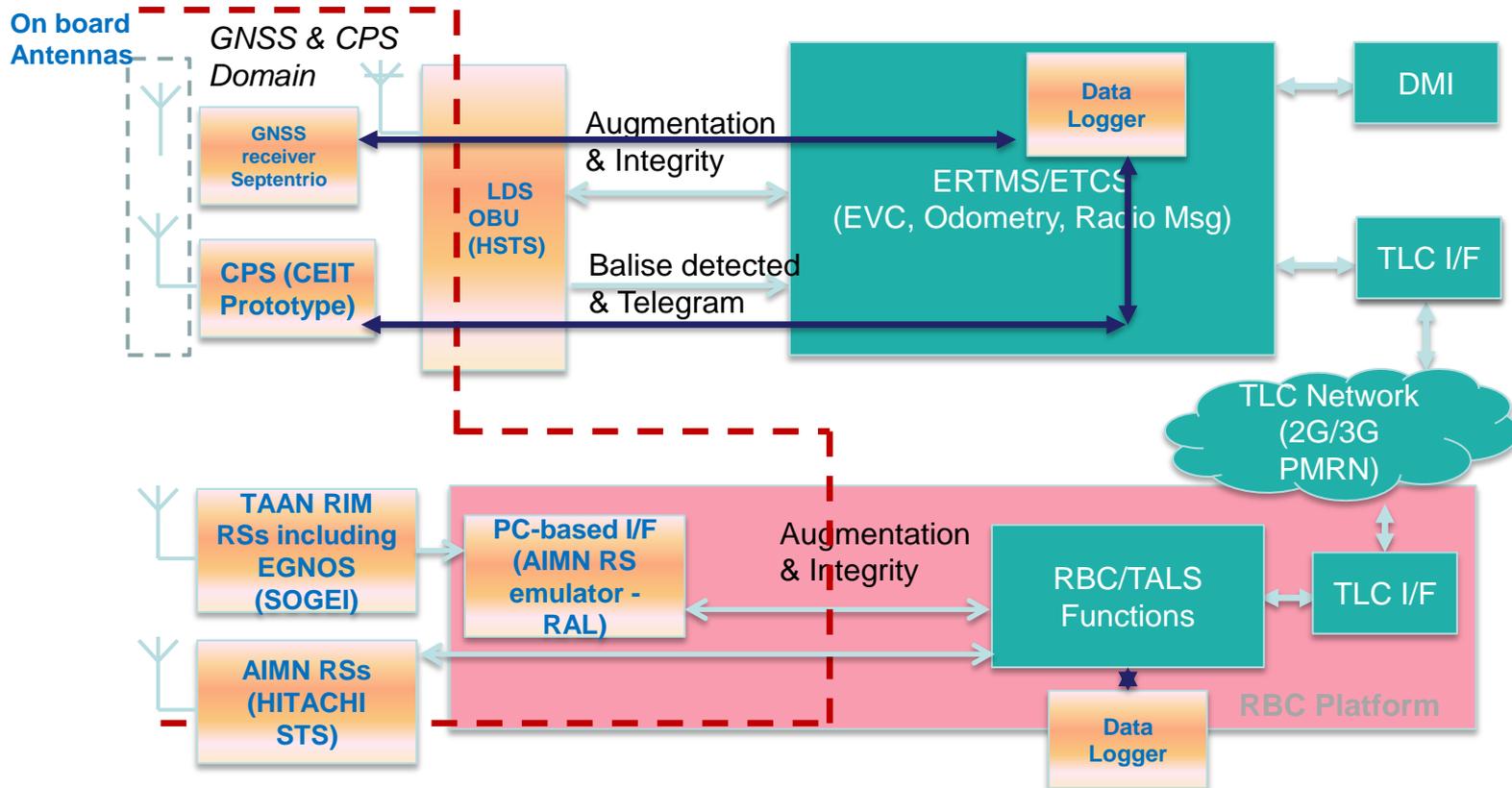
## Onboard Subsystem:

- Rolling Stock AIn668 3114, equipped with an ERTMS platform
- LDS OnBoard Unit (LDS OBU)
- GPS RTK receiver for the ground truth definition
- Mobile Terminals, via the GSM / 3G public radio network or the satellite network
- Data Logger

# Trial Site Architecture and Configuration for Demonstration



# ERSAT EAV INTEGRATION WITH ERTMS



# ERSAT PROGRAM



**3inSAT**  
GNSS & Satcom Signalling  
Demonstrator

**ERSAT EAV + GGC**  
ERTMS Application + Test Site

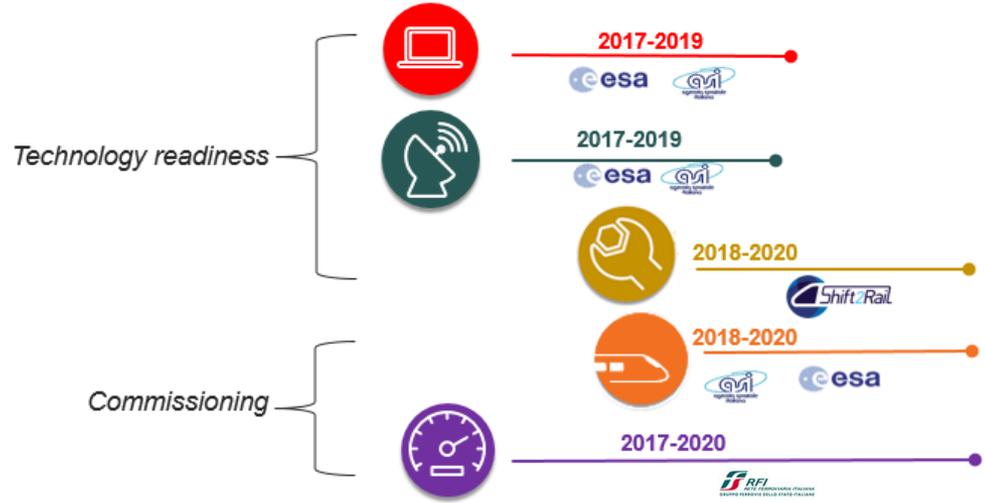
**DB4RAIL**  
Antispoofing and Antijamming  
technology

**SAT4Train**  
TLC Application

**Gate4Rail**  
GNSS Virtual Test Bed

**SBS phase 2**  
Technology Demonstrator

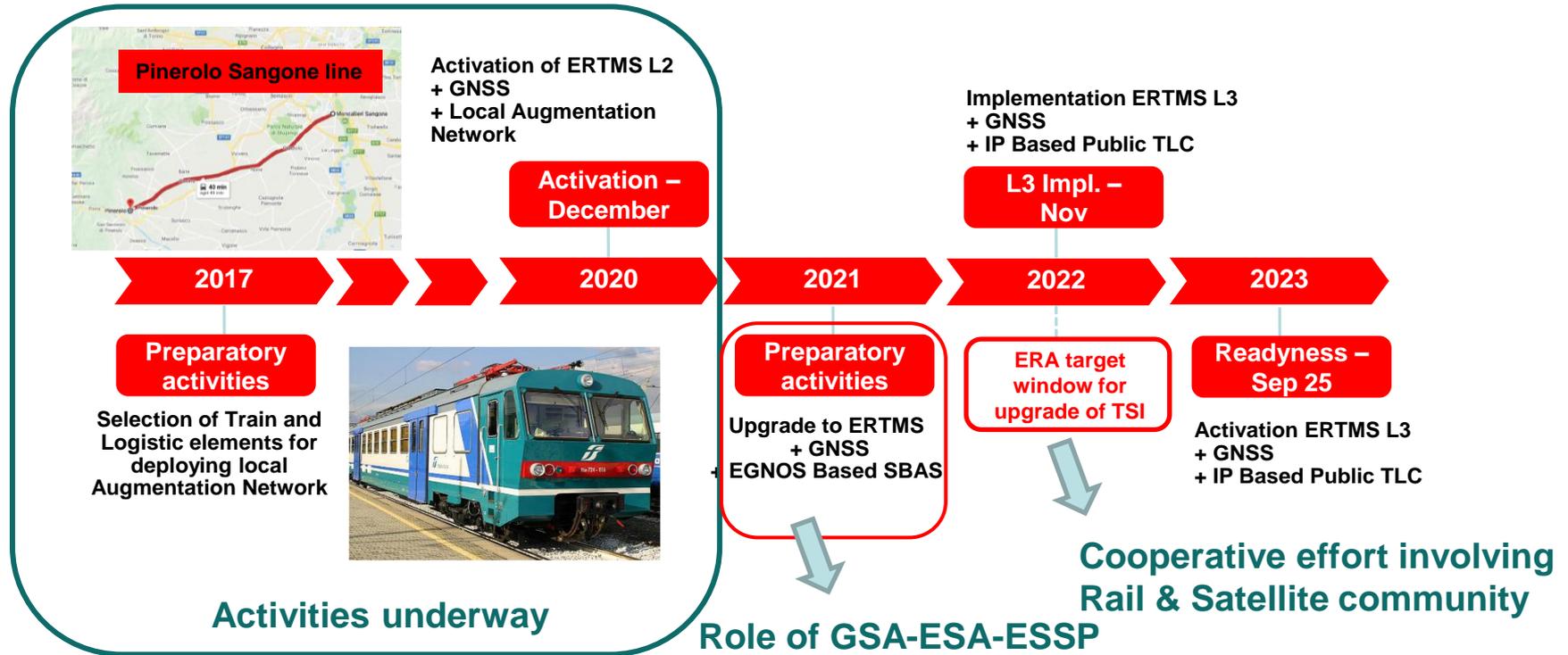
**PILOT LINE**  
Pinerolo - Sangone



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# Roadmap to certification & operational activation

## ERTMS L2 baseline 3



**Satellite asset to comply with ERTMS certification process**

# Certification Process agreed with ERA

1. Trackside CCS and On Board Unit must be implemented according to the ERTMS Baseline 3 R2 standard and subject to certification. Regarding TRK ETCS, by not exporting application conditions that affect interoperability to the OBU, the certification will be performed by a NOBO
2. The certification of the new on-board and trackside functions that include the introduction of GNSS and the train integrity function will be carried out by a DeBO

***All the products and functions of GNSS (including the Augmentation Network), which are added to the provisions of point 1, will be used only for the purpose of improving odometry and is aiming at positioning the train in the railway segment by virtual balise and they are not impeding the line interoperability***

# From ERA



## Satellite and Vehicle Authorization, trackside CCS APIS

The ETCS OBU implements all the standard functions. Can be tested and certified as 100% compliant with STI and subsets.

The satnav, route map, VB functions are add-on modules that do not impact or modify the standard functions of ETCS.

The “only” effect of VB is that position is more accurate (odo errors are accumulated over a shorter distance from LRBG)

Therefore Vehicle can be authorized without derogations/conditions.

The real question concerns the trackside: how the increased accuracy is used in the design of the ERTMS trackside subsystem:

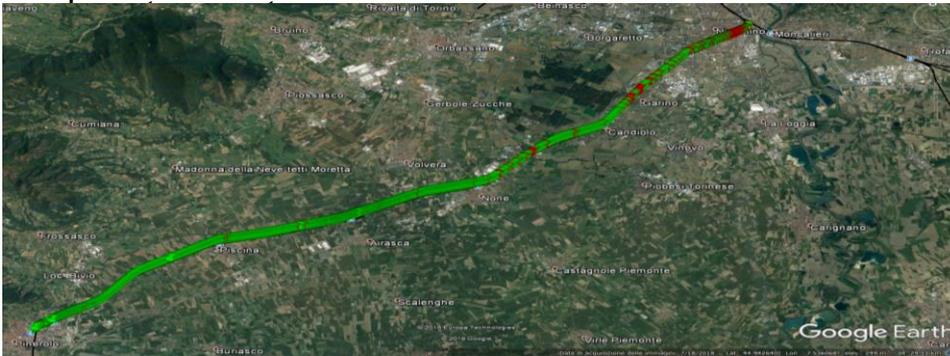
- Can a train without those modules run on the line “safely with acceptable performance” ?

If the answer is yes, then the MoU clauses are respected, the trackside signalling subsystem is compatible with any B3 equipped train, therefore can be authorized without derogations.

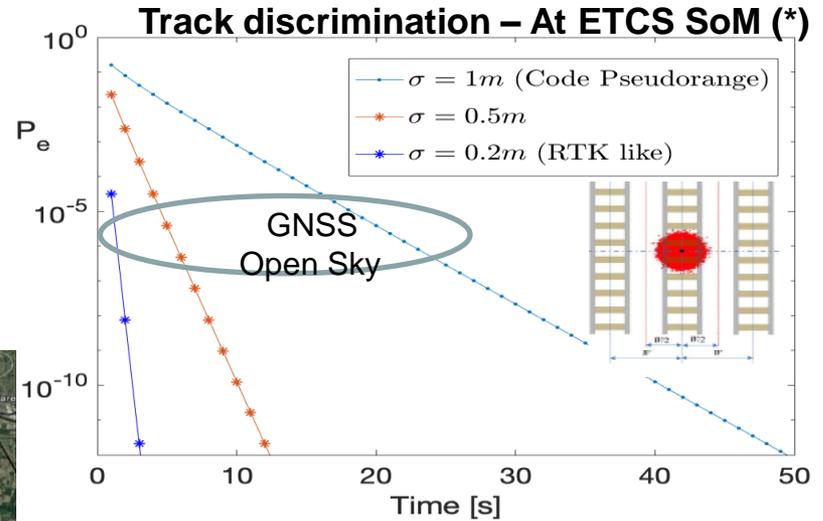
Authorization must take account of the ERA approval (art 19 new Interop Directive).

# Challenges

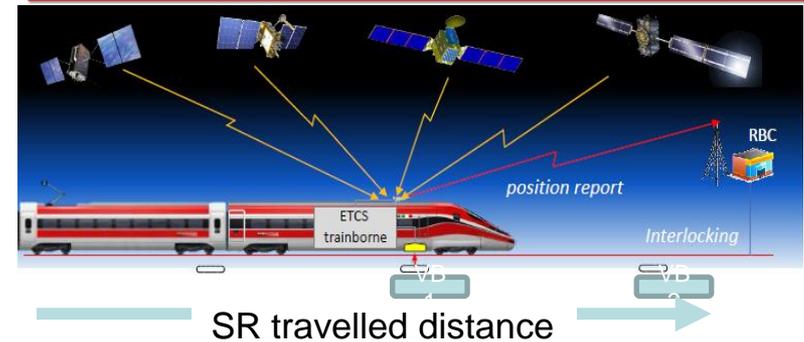
- The ERSAT-GGC track survey will help in the characterization of the line in terms of suitability of the area for the VB location, i.e.
  - Line green: VB can be placed even at small distances;
  - Line red: we need different solutions
- Frequent VBs increase performances through



RFI is interested in the results of EU projects, as well as technological and market trends (DCMF, Non GNSS Sensors, Data Fusion) to extend current performances also in GNSS denied zones.



## Reduce SR travelled distance at Start Of Mission



# ERTMS Enhancements: Train Position



PHYSICAL  
BALISE



VIRTUAL BALISE  
LOCATION

# Train Control System with GNSS localization – ROY HILL

- ERTMS Level 2 with Satellite localization (only means)
- Sil 2 by October 2016
- Sil 4 by January 2017
- **More than 1,5 million km travelled**



Roy Hill - Australia

# Summary

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- Italy - an early adopter of **ERTMS standard is pioneering new technologies at EU level**
  - plan to migrate to a full ERTMS infrastructure
  - satellite technology mandatory to reduce opex, enabling a massive ERTMS deployment
- Certification process of EGNSS asset agreed with ERA to comply with ERTMS (no derogations needed)
- Stepped Plan to first validate & certify EGNSS to putting in operation the systems as market is ready
- Continue to innovate to improve technologies with an eye to other sectors (automotive, aviation)
- Urgent assessment on EGNOS utilization in a seamless way as in aviation
- The Pinerolo Sangone line is a European asset benefitting the ERTMS and EGNSS

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# Thank you

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