



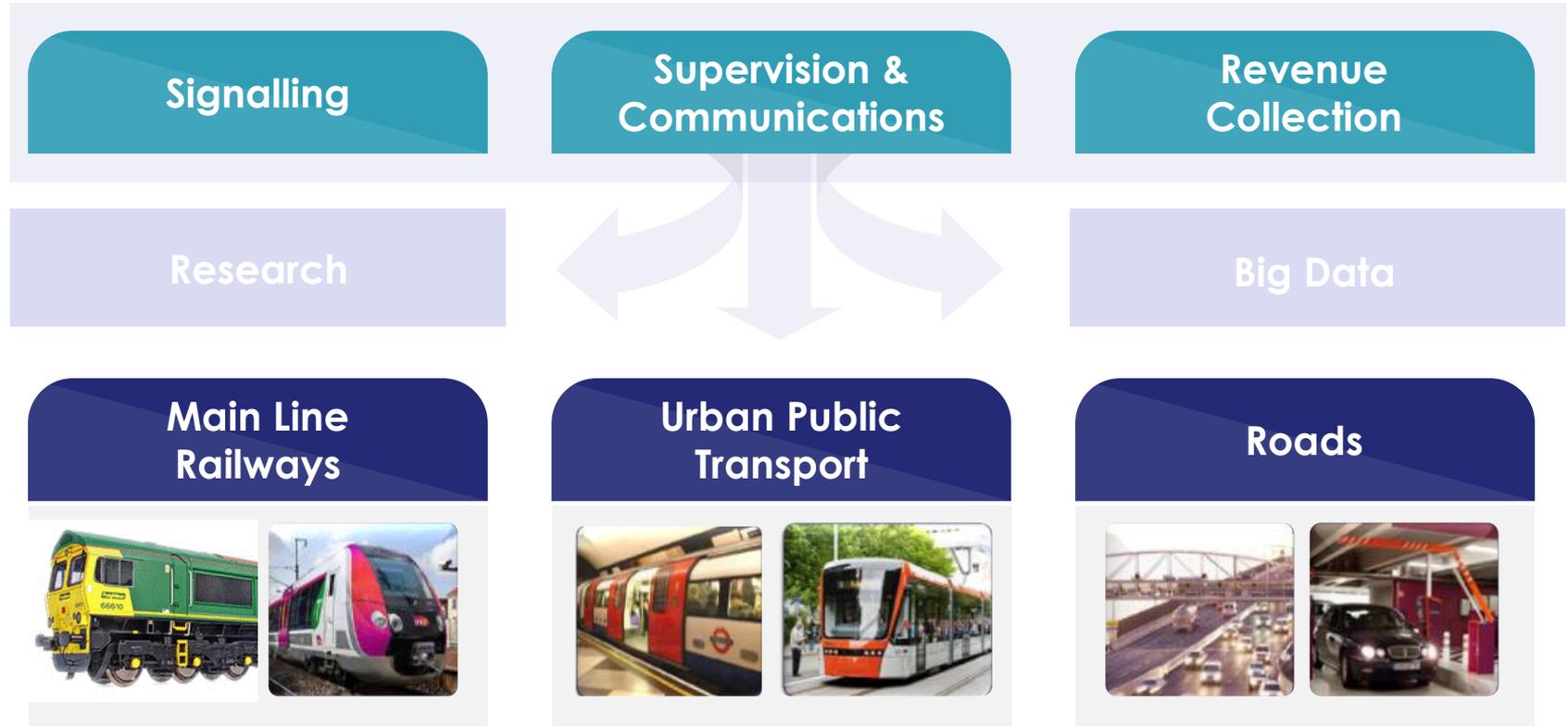
## Emerging Trends in Road – Rail Traffic Management

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# Thales Ground Transport – Business Lines, Markets and Capability



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## Challenges in Rail Traffic Management

## Operational Improvements through TMS



## ■ ARAMIS TMS Operational in 15 countries; 6 more clients in deployment

- Controlling 55,000 trains/day; over 300 commercially separate operators

## ■ Deployed nationally/regionally

- Mainline: Mixed traffic / dense networks; Ports / tunnel management
- Decision support; UK – integrating with mainline signalling;

## ■ Addresses Challenges to

- Increase network capacity; reduce congestion; improve staff efficiency
- More reliable, predictable point-to-point transportation
- Provide improved visibility of current and future operations (IM/RU)

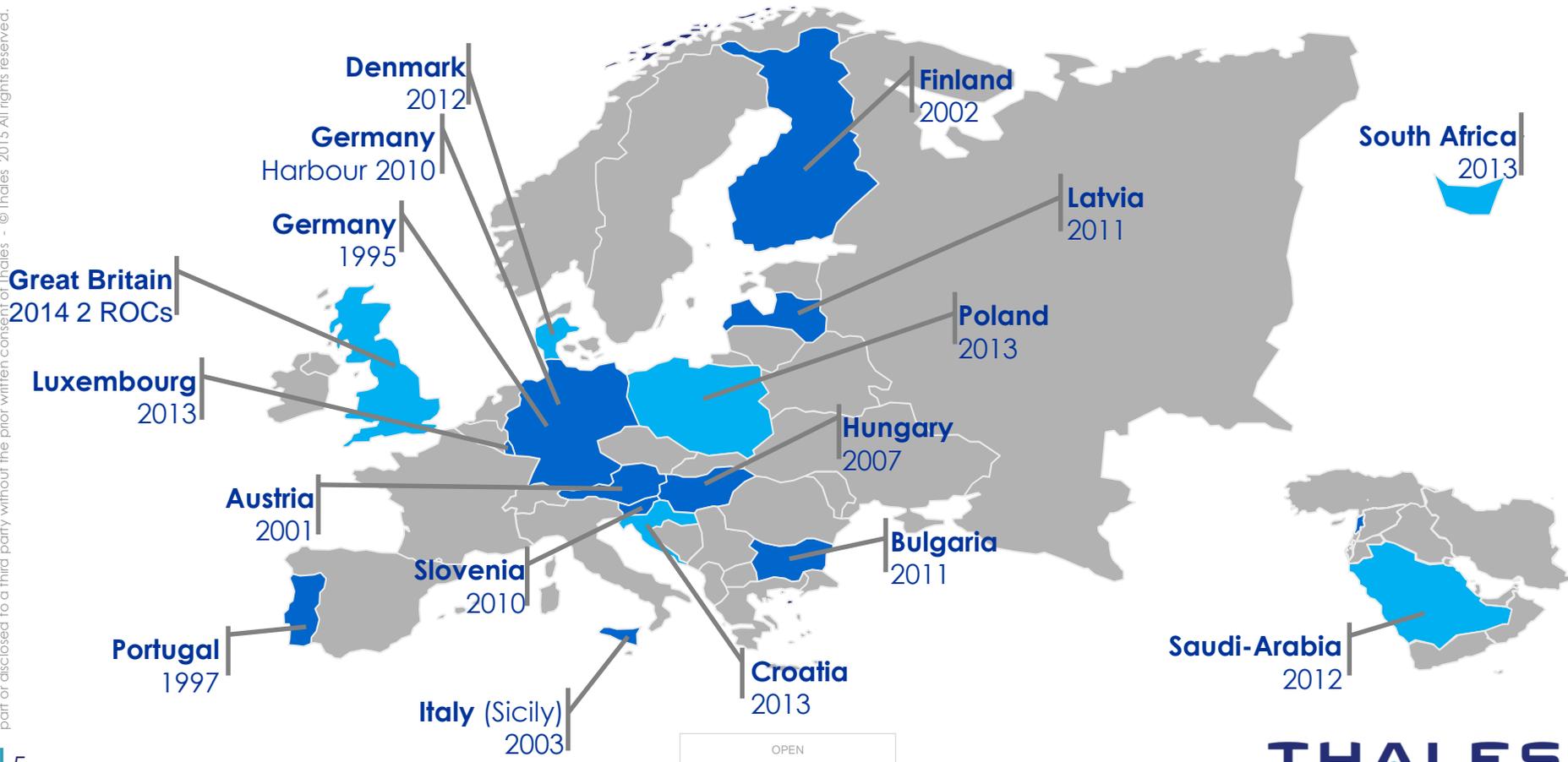
## ■ Aligned with Digitisation Agenda

- TMS, DAS, ETCS, ...

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## Improved location and forecast visibility to rail freight operators

- Train location clarity (t+2hr); enables proactive action on incident future effects
- Better synchronisation of staff changeover/relocation; accuracy of arrival

## Minimisation of reactionary/secondary delay following incident

- Giving more reliable expected journey times; end-client certainty of delivery
- Train delays (by location/across network; within fleet) reduced by c. 15%
- Freight terminal and / yard delays c. 20%

## TMS with Connected (real-time) DAS – minimise conflict movements

- Also provides c.15% energy saving

## TMS: higher network resilience; consistency; reliability end-to-end timing

- High quality, accurate, timely train service information esp. during disruption

## Challenges in Road Traffic Management

### Operations Improvements through RTM



# UK Case Study: Road Transport Manager / User Imperatives

“Know the state of the city/regional/national road network; maximise its utility by sharing travel knowledge to public/business in useful ways”

## HIGHWAYS ENGLAND - KPIs



**REDUCE CONGESTION –  
MAXIMISE NETWORK CAPACITY**

**IDENTIFY / RECOVER FROM  
INCIDENTS (RESILIENCE)**

**IMPROVED JOURNEY RELIABILITY**

**INFLUENCE BEHAVIOUR**

**ECONOMIC BENEFITS – GVA (UK)**

## LORRY DRIVER PRIORITIES



**REDUCED TRAVEL TIMES**

**BETTER DELAY MANAGEMENT**

**JOURNEY RELIABILITY**

**BETTER DISRUPTION INFO**

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# Case Study: NTIS Managed Service

## Management of English strategic road network (Motorway/"Trunk" Roads)

➤ The processing of traffic information: statistics and events

## Thales Business Service Outsourcing (7 year) for Highways England (HE)

➤ 71 staff: operators, traffic engineers, business reporting, IT support

## Delivery aligned with HE's national KPIs set by DfT

➤ User (journey) satisfaction

➤ Efficiency (cost saving)

➤ Economic Growth – Reduced Average Delay;

➤ Traffic Flow

- Network Availability (97%)

- Incidents cleared (85% within 1 hour)

➤ Road Safety (KSI reduction)



# Collects Information – Multiple Sources/Stakeholders

Extensive Visibility of what is happening and why



Police



Local Authorities



HA RCCs



Managing Agents and DBFOs



Met Office



Neighbouring Network Operators



Data Feeds and Travel Media



Significant Traffic Creators



Telematics And Floating Vehicle Data

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# Processes and Acts on Data

**Early incidents detection – abnormal behaviour**  
**Predicts recovery time for incident**  
**Acts quickly to minimise disruption**  
**(with Tactical Ops Centres)**



CCTV

Weather  
Conditions

Delays

Time of Incident &  
Duration of Event

VMS Plans

Other Events



**Decision Support to Operations**

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# Distributes Information



- Web (public)
- Open data feeds to operators
- VMS – Road network
- Travel Media (Tom-Tom ...)
- Information Points
- HE Contact Centre
- Media Partners
- Operational Staff

**Distributes accurate, consistent, reliable info  
Across road network – to where needed  
Dedicated dissemination channels  
Facilitating public and freight alternatives  
Improving end-to-end journey reliability**



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## EU Research – Multi-modal Shift and Big Data

Focus on multi-modal freight



## ■ €920m, 7 year collaborative research & innovation programme

- S2R founders Network Rail, Siemens, Bombardier, Alstom, Ansaldo, CAF, TrV, Thales
- EC provides 47% of the members funding

## ■ IP5 - Technologies for sustainable and attractive European rail freight

- Shift of 30% of road freight over 300 km to modes such as rail or waterborne transport by 2030, and more than 50% by 2050
- Cost-effective, attractive service to shippers / clients
- Value-added services, terminal operations, improved real-time customer information and better data exchange between intermodal chain parties
- Theme: Novel Terminal, Hubs, Marshalling yards, Sidings



## CFM-IP5-01-2017 Real-time information & energy efficiency for rail freight

### Network Management

- Improved interaction: network management and yard management;
- Data exchange for inter-modal hubs, connecting rail freight stakeholders, facilitating operation of mixed traffic (passengers and freight)

### Intelligent Video Gate (IVG)

- Terminal design; specification of information flow between different stakeholders
- Assessment of IVG technology - integrating image-based, non-intrusive technologies/sensors, to gather dynamically data/features of freight compositions;
- Selection and testing of technologies and definition of services for automatic rolling stock identification and train classification.

# Transforming Transport (Horizon 2020) – Freight/Logistics and Big Data

- **Freight projected increases (2005 base): 40% in 2030; 80% in 2050**
- **Challenge – how will logistics sector benefit from Big Data technologies?**
  - 10% efficiency improvement will lead to EU cost savings of 100 B€
- **Transforming Transport (40+ partners; 30 months; 1/1/17) ...**
- **Intelligent Ports – Operational Efficiencies**
  - Improved terminal operations & planning; better traffic flow from/to port; optimised handling of trains, barges, trucks...
- **Integrated/Consolidated Urban Freight Mobility**
- **Shared logistics for E-commerce**



**S2R/TT: Greater involvement re rail freight/logistics challenges**

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## In Summary



# Recurring Transport Infrastructure (Rail/Road) Themes

## Optimise through Rail/Road Network Management Systems

- Best use of existing network capacity; Get more from the same infrastructure ...
- Facilitate end-to-end journey reliability by sharing of true /future network state

## Facilitate Customer Satisfaction through better use of Real-time information

- Smarter data collection about the network and its users (operators/travellers)
  - Large and complex data sets to provide multi-modal, multi-operator solution
- Up-to-date knowledge of planned changes and incidents that affect journeys
  - Access, co-ordination & publication of relevant timely information to right users
- Manage, plan & predicting incident impact on multi-modal network

## Optimising multi-modal journeys

- Requires further joining up of transport silos (rail, road, port ...) v silo approach
- Build on existing research to deploy real-world solutions



## Questions and Discussion

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