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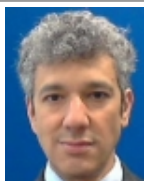
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He has been in charge of many projects both in the Engineering and R&D departments for main lines (ERTMS High Speed Line - interlocking and RBC application in Italy) and mass transit (track circuit based system and the up to date CBTC systems). He got specific knowledge in signalling and functional architecture through several years in coordination of signalling project applications.

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From 2000 to 2006, he has managed the creation of the CEDEX Rail Interoperability Laboratory, which was the first European laboratory accredited for testing ERTMS components and subsystems. In January 2007 he joined ADIF (Spanish Rail Infrastructure Manager) as Research and Development Director, where he was strongly involved in the real deployment of ERTMS in Spanish High Speed lines as well as in many research projects in different fields of railways. In September 2013, he joined back CEDEX Rail Interoperability Lab as Lab Director to promote testing both ETCS components and subsystems as well as testing the interoperability between real ETCS OBUs and real L1 and L2 (RBCs) lines.

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About CER:

The Community of European Railway and Infrastructure Companies (CER) brings together more than 70 railway undertakings, their national associations as well as infrastructure managers and vehicle leasing companies. The membership is made up of long-established bodies, new entrants and both private and public enterprises, representing 73% of the rail network length, 80% of the rail freight business and about 96% of rail passenger operations in EU, EFTA and EU accession countries. CER represents the interests of its members towards EU policy makers and transport stakeholders, advocating rail as the backbone of a competitive and sustainable transport system in Europe. For more information, visit www.cer.be or follow us via Twitter at @CER_railways.

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Dr. Josef DOPPELBAUER holds a degree and a Doctorate, both in Physics. He started his career at the Alcatel Research Centre in Vienna, Austria, where in 1997 he became Technical Director. In 2001, he moved to Paris to become Chief Technical Officer for Alcatel Transport Automation Solutions. Dr. DOPPELBAUER joined Bombardier Transportation in December 2002, first working in the Rail Control Solutions division, where he held several positions in Engineering, Sales, and as President. In 2008, he moved on to the global headquarters of Bombardier Transportation in Berlin. From July 2008 to June 2012, he was Vice President Project Management, and from July 2008 to December 2013 Chief Technical Officer. In January 2015 Mr. DOPPELBAUER took up the post as Executive Director of the European Railway Agency.

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Karel Vinck is a former CEO of the Belgian National Railway Company (SNCB), and a former Chairman of CER (The Community of European Railway and Infrastructure Companies).

He started his career as a consultant for Eternit in Italy, and later became CEO of the Eternit group and the Bekaert group. Next, he joined Umicore as CEO, and later as Chairman. In the meantime, he restructured Sibelco.

After his time at the head of SNCB, Karel Vinck accepted the chairmanship of the board of BAM, the company which manages investments in mobility of the city of Antwerp.

Karel Vinck completed his studies of civil engineering in electro-mechanics at the K.U.Leuven, obtained a degree in production management (Ghent University) and a MBA at Cornell University (USA).

As European ERTMS Coordinator for the European Commission, he now leads the deployment of the European Rail Traffic Management System. In this role, he supervises the implementation of ERTMS on nine Core Network Corridors.

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Mr Lochman has been Executive Director of the Community of European Railway and Infrastructure Companies (CER) since January 1st 2012.

Libor Lochman, born in 1963 in Czechoslovakia, graduated at the Transport University in Zilina and has a doctorate in electronics from the West-Bohemian University Plzen. He has a strong background in Control-Command and signalling systems.

Prior to his role as CER Deputy Executive Director and leader of technical affairs (2007-2011), he acted as director of the Railway Test Centre, a facility for testing European rolling stock, infrastructure and signalling components, in Prague (2000-2005).

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EUG

The mission of the ERTMS Users Group is to help the railways in applying ERTMS/ETCS in a harmonised and interoperable way to enable the free flow of trains and a competitive railway. The ERTMS Users Group works closely together with the European Agency for Railways (ERA) and UNISIG, the international association of signaling companies in the railway industry. The ERTMS Users Group is dedicated to technical and operational matters and guidance on commercial implications and impacts.

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UNISIG is an industrial consortium which was created to develop the ERTMS/ETCS technical specifications. As an Associated Member of UNIFE, a recognised stakeholder, UNISIG actively contributes to the activities of the European Railway Agency in the field of ERTMS/ETCS technical specifications.

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