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CLC/TR 50126-2 [1)] Guide to the application of EN 50126-1 for safety

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Introduction

This European Standard provides Railway Authorities and the railway support industry, throughout the European Union, with a process which will enable the implementation of a consistent approach to the management of reliability, availability, maintainability and safety, denoted by the acronym RAMS. Processes for the specification and demonstration of RAMS requirements are cornerstones of this standard. This European Standard aims to promote a common understanding and approach to the management of RAMS.

This European Standard can be applied systematically by a railway authority and railway support industry, throughout all phases of the lifecycle of a railway application, to develop railway specific RAMS requirements and to achieve compliance with these requirements. The systems-level approach defined by this European Standard facilitates assessment of the RAMS interactions between elements of complex railway applications.

This European Standard promotes co-operation between a railway authority and railway support industry, within a variety of procurement strategies, in the achievement of an optimal combination of RAMS and cost for railway applications. Adoption of this European Standard will support the principles of the European Single Market and facilitate European railway inter-operability.

The process defined by this European Standard assumes that railway authorities and railway support industry have business-level policies addressing Quality, Performance and Safety. The approach defined in this standard is consistent with the application of quality management requirements contained within the ISO 9000 series of International standards.