



# De-risking future railway technologies

## Applied Research in times of increasing capacity



- Introduction - Virtual Vehicle (ViF)
- Rail @ ViF
- **Applied Research in times of increasing capacity**
- Summary
- Q&A

# OVERVIEW

2002-2007

## Foundation

Initiation of a research center for **virtual vehicle development**

2008-2017

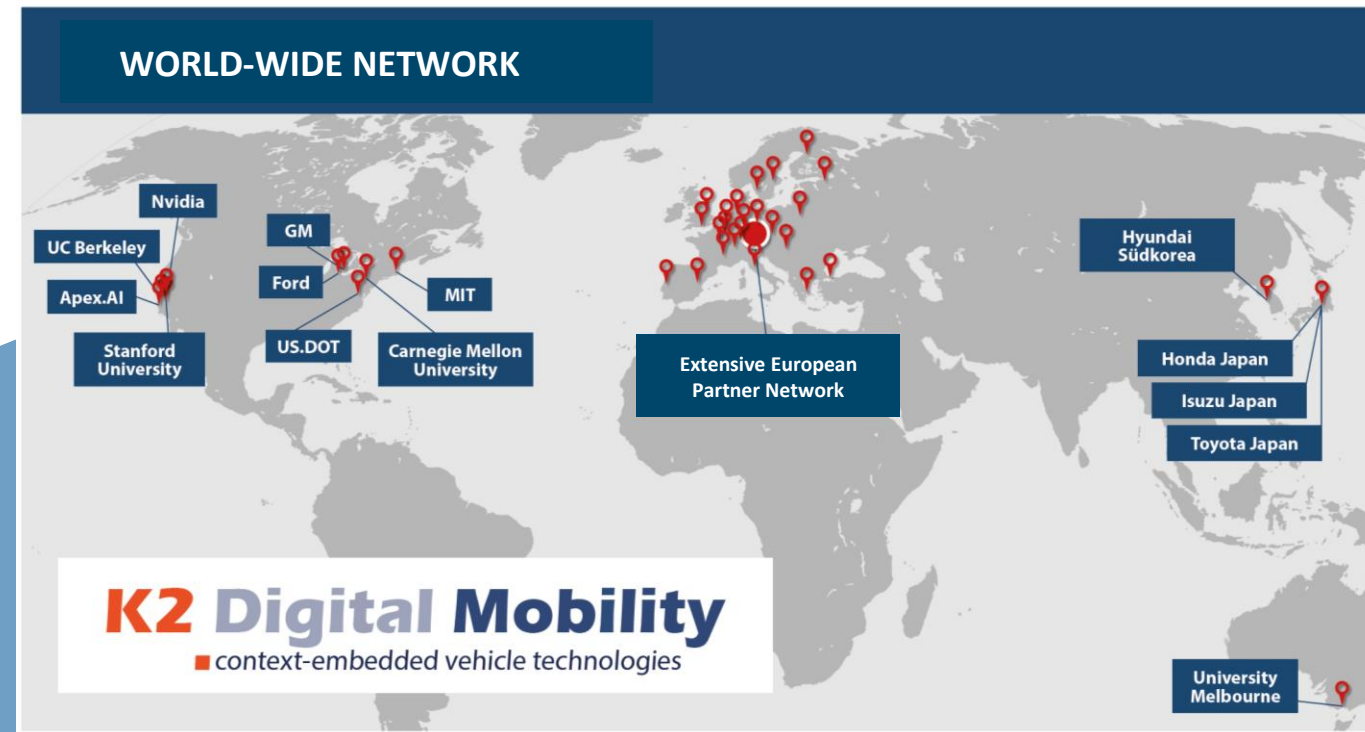
## Structure & Growth

- R&D center for **sustainable mobility**
- pillars EU projects and contract research established

2018-2026

## Long-term establishment & stability

- Recognized international player,
- Strategic Partners Road & Rail,
- Putting innovations into practice





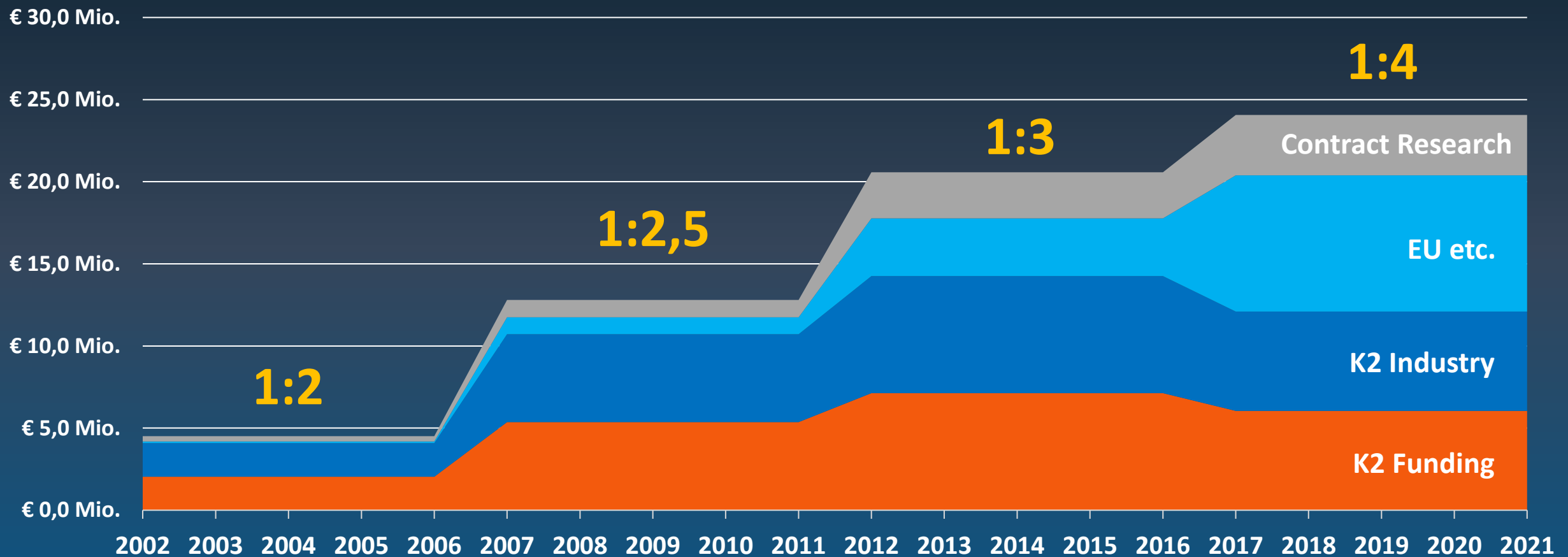
## 2015: First Autonomous Drive Demonstrator in Austria



## First Joint Undertaking initiated in Austria



## COMET K2 Added Value: Huge funding lever 1:4 (FFG/SFG combined)



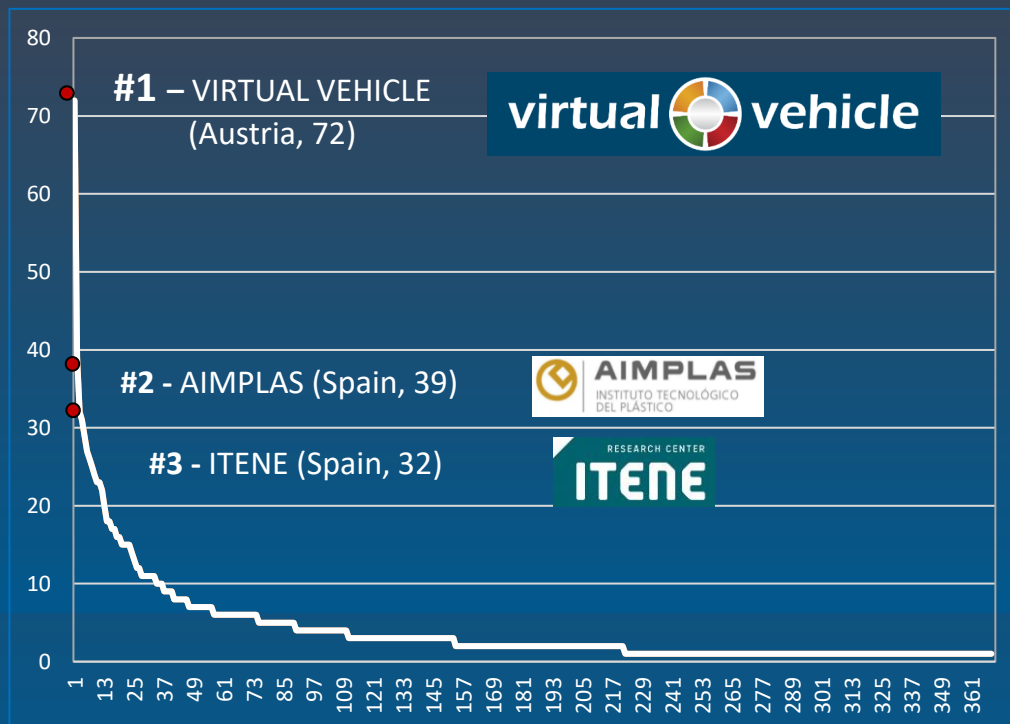




**72 Projects, > 25.6 Mio €**

**1<sup>st</sup> place** among all 306 Research-SMEs

**3<sup>rd</sup> place** among all 13,500 SMEs in total

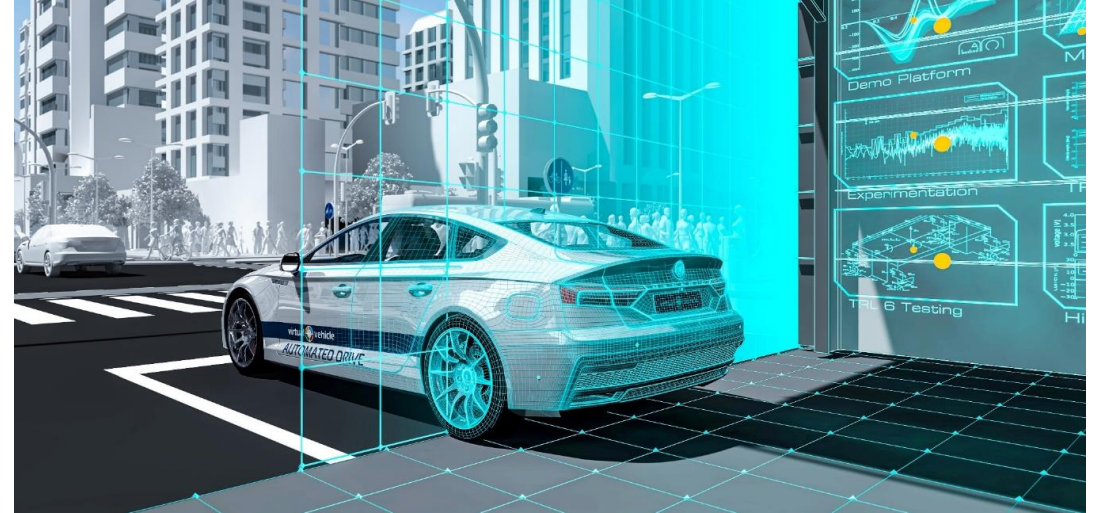


**>50% in “Smart, Green and Integrated Transport”**

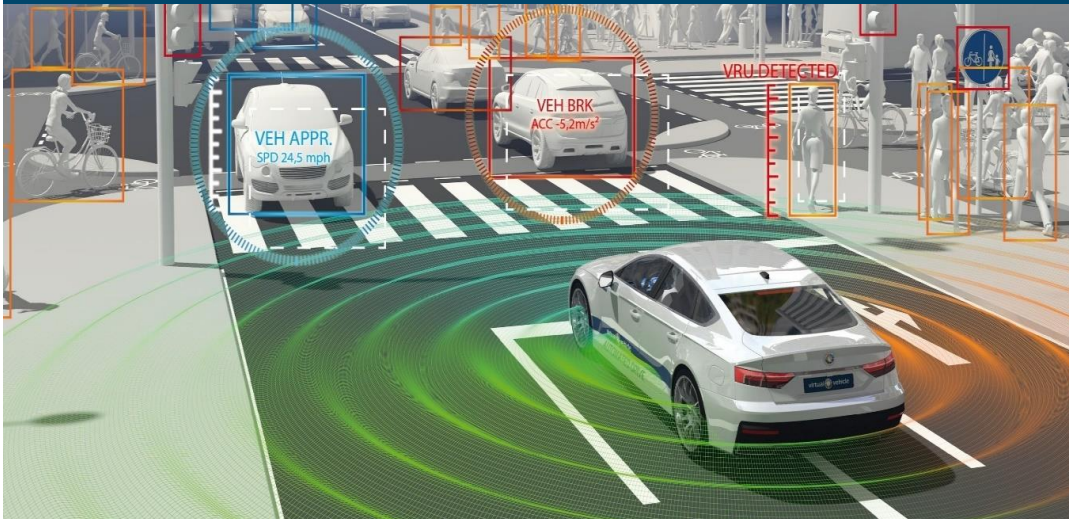
## GREEN MOBILITY & TRANSPORT



## VIRTUAL VALIDATION & HOMOLOGATION



## AUTOMATED/ADAS SYSTEMS



## SAFETY & SECURITY





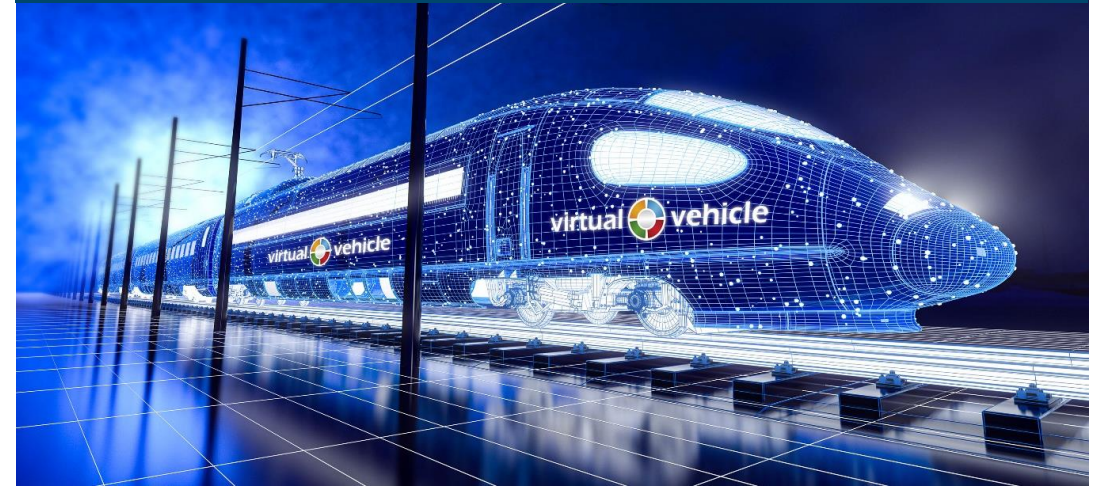
# RAIL@VIF



## GREEN MOBILITY & TRANSPORT



## VIRTUAL VALIDATION & HOMOLOGATION



## DIGITAL TWIN NETWORKS



## OPTIMIZATION OF VEHICLE AND INFRASTRUCTURE COMPONENTS





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Applied Research in times of increasing capacity



# Fields of Expertise – Rail Systems

## GREEN MOBILITY & TRANSPORT



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## International Industry- and Scientific Partner Network

INDUSTRY



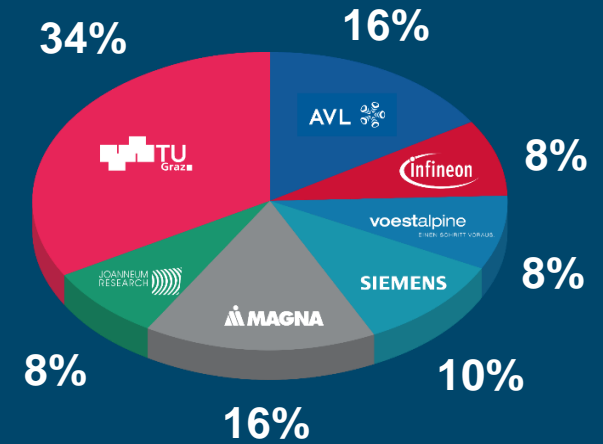
SCIENCE



RAIL-SPECIFIC



## Shareholder



100+ Industry Partners  
40+ Scientific Partners  
300+ Staff



Virtual vehicle development and approval → Roll out innovations with partners to support a *faster market uptake*



## USE-CASE 1: Schätzung der Parameter mit Hilfe des Shaker-Tests

What is a shaker test and what are the objective of the test?

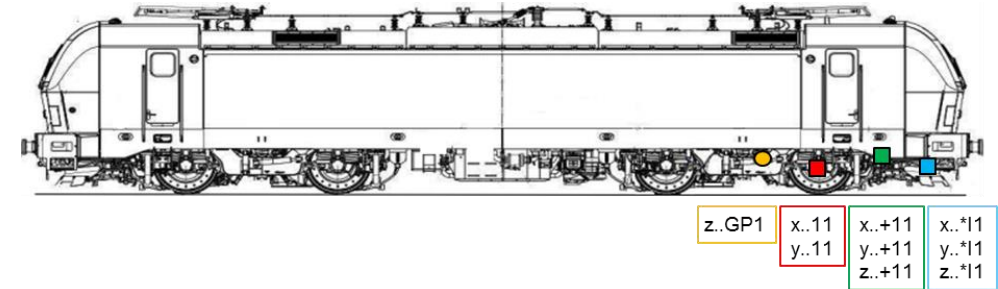
Validation of the vehicle model (without environment)

Actuation by the drive torque of an engine

or a group

Easy to calculate transmission behavior

**Credible simulation for approval-relevant topics**



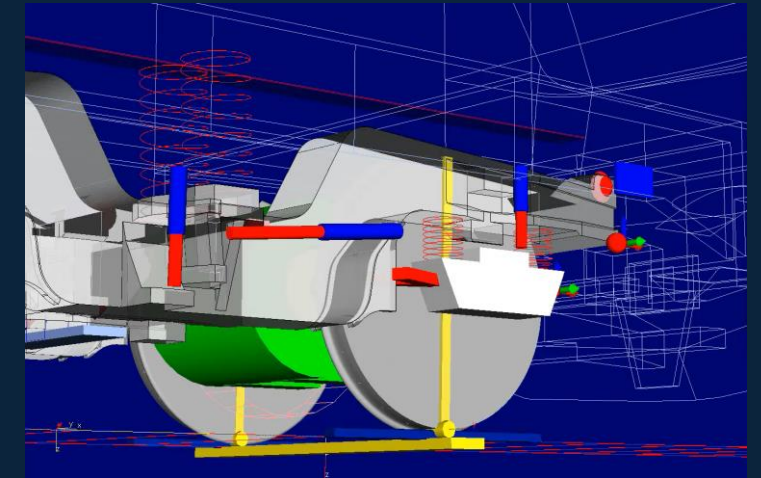
Reales Testfahrzeug



Ausführung des Tests



Simulation des Tests (Physikalisches Modell)



→ Estimation of the dynamic properties of the vehicle independent of the ambient conditions. **Goal: Validated vehicle model**



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preprocessData(){  
  this.subscriptions.add(  
    combineLatest(  
      this.dynamicTracklines$,  
      this.units$  
    )  
  ).pipe(filter(([l1, l2]) => l1.length !== 0 && l2.length !== 0))  
  .subscribe(([tracklines, units]) => {  
    const tmp = [];  
    const tracklines$ = from(tracklines);  
    this.subscriptions.add(tracklines$.subscribe(track => {  
      const stations = [];  
      const stations$ = from(track['json_field']['stations']);  
      this.subscriptions.add(stations$.subscribe((station_id) => {  
        const stationUnit = units.find((unit) => {  
          return unit.id === station_id;  
        });  
      }));  
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      if(stationUnit !== undefined){  
        this.store.dispatch(new GetStats({stationUnit}));  
        stats = this.store.select(un
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Broad expertise in the development of methods → through combining broad system knowledge, sensor data, algorithms and simulation





Vehicle Track Interaction and Harmful Forms → scientific findings to further optimise the system (root cause analysis and mitigation strategies)



Significant efforts to understand unexplained phenomena  
→ basic research in a first step (e.g. Theam Squats) with great potential  
for future de-risking the rail system ***Goal: Increase capacity***



# DIGITAL TWIN

from Sensor Data to Prediction Basis

# EXPLORE Data Context Hub ®

Enterprise Data Integration & Knowledge Transformation

Connected systems require  
network organisations  
and consistent data

Conway's Law:

*Organizations design systems  
which copy the organization  
structure*

*Melvin Edward Conway, 1968*



## Handling complexity



- Providing valuable context
- Single point of truth / source / access
- Simplification of IT architecture

## Collaboration

- Flexible viewpoints on data and relations
- Context from any perspective
- Graph security layer



## Speed – Time to Market



## Culture, mind-set

- Scalable from need2know to good2know
- Reliable and traceable data and context



## Ability to adapt



- No proprietary data model
- Enterprise specific knowledge model
- Agile data modelling
- Brownfield & greenfield capability

# *RAIL SYSTEMS*

*Backbone for Green Digital Mobility*



Virtuelle Entwicklung | Fast Market Uptake | Digitaler Betrieb



**1. Broad domain knowledge combined with multi-disciplinary integration**

**2. Proven implementation strength over several development stages**

**3. Extensive partner network (industry & universities)**

**4. Attractive funding leverage and yet short-term project launch**

**5. Clear and proven IPR regime**





virtual  vehicle

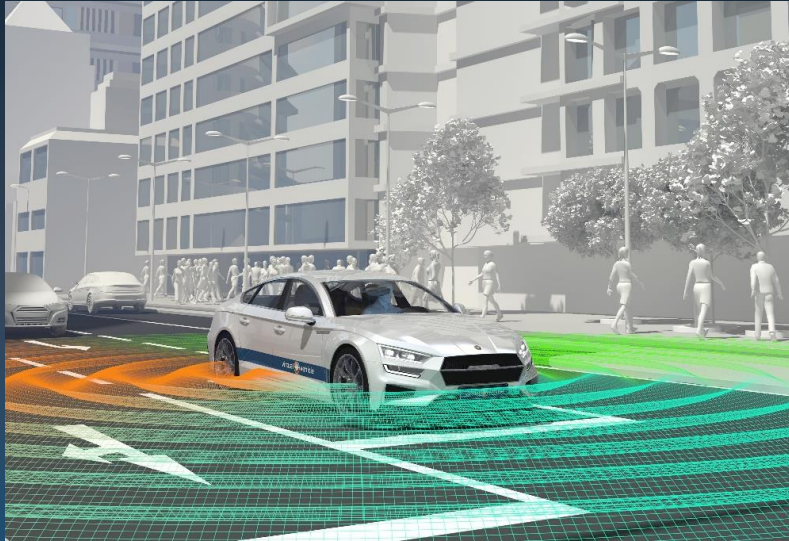


THANK YOU!



**BACK.UP**

## COMET K2



- Digital Mobility
- Long term co-operative research
- Leveraging of invest

## FUNDED PROJECTS



- 40+ ongoing EU Projects
- 90+ successfully completed
- International visibility and reputation (Initiator, Coordinator)

## CONTRACT WORK



- Research & Development
- Test Bed & Demonstrators
- Industry agreements

**Comprehensive knowledge of**

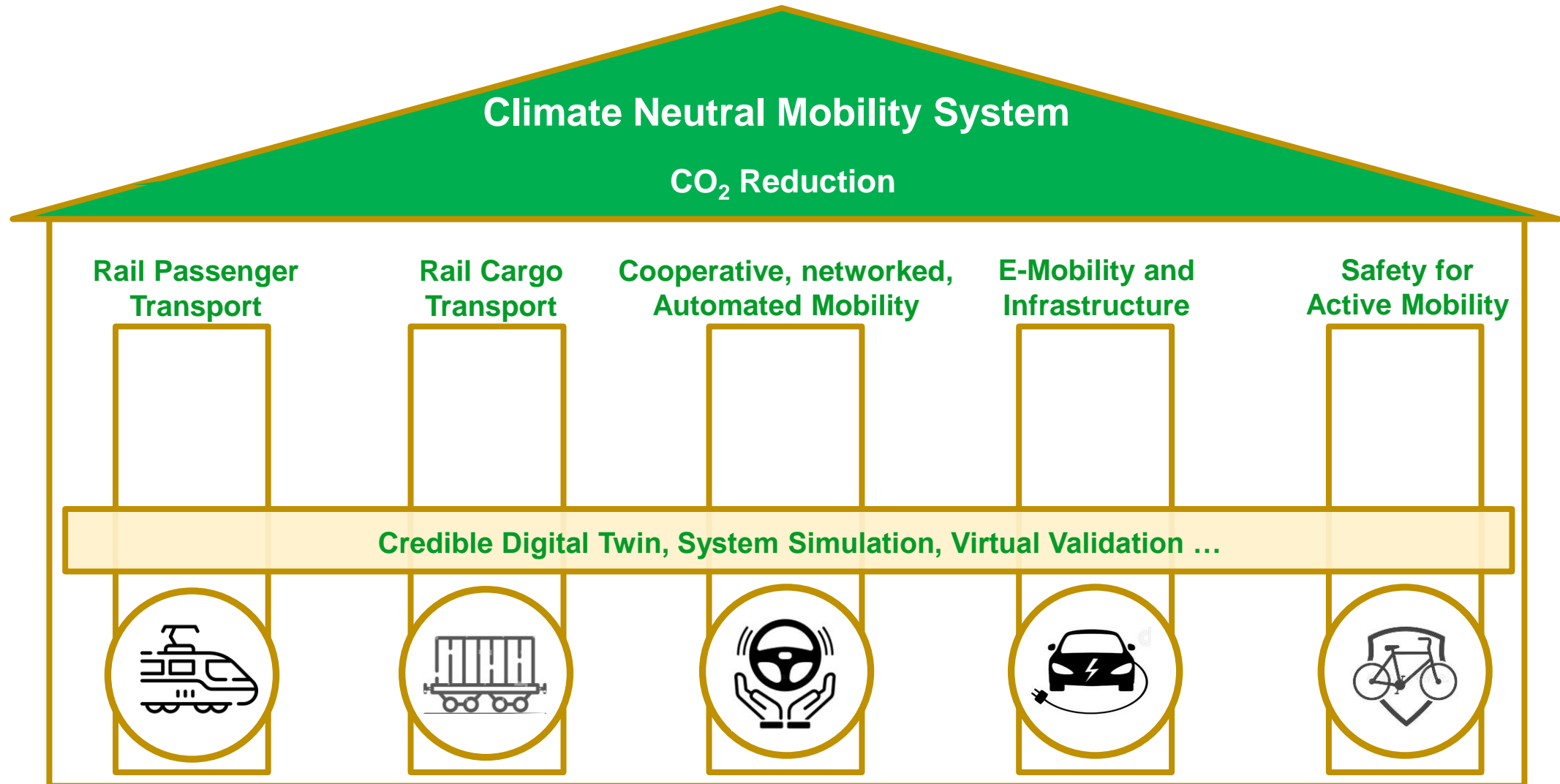
**~320 in-house experts**



Today, VIRTUAL VEHICLE is Europe's largest research center  
for virtual vehicle development



Internationally recognized USPs lead us into the future

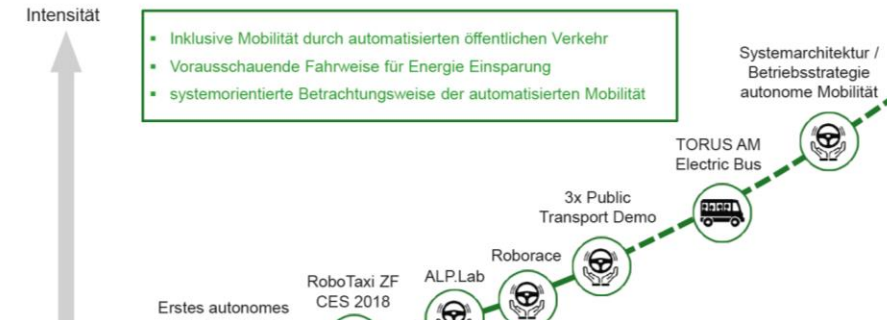




## Rail: Passenger & Cargo Transport

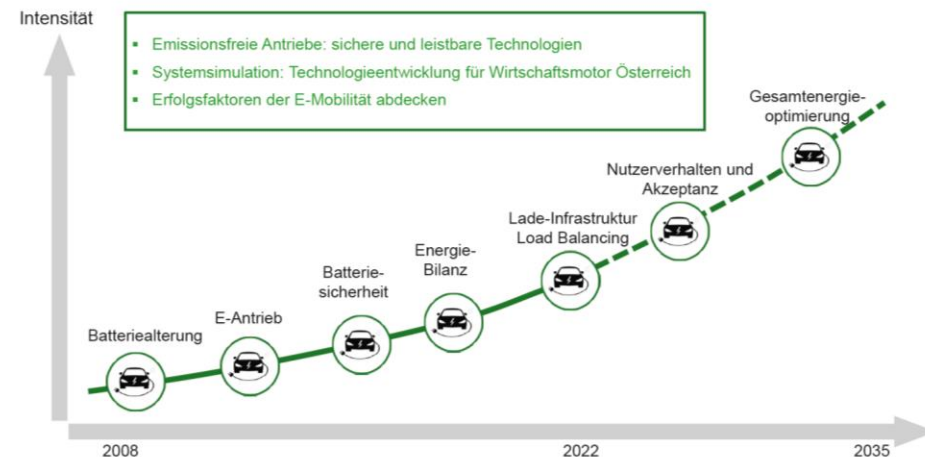


## Cooperative, networked, Automated Mobility



20 years of preparation now puts us  
in pole position for climate-neutral mobility

## E-Mobility and Infrastructure



## Safety for Active Mobility

