



# **Iron Ore Line STEG and CATO**



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#### The Iron Ore Line

- Kiruna (Sweden) to Narvik (Norway)
- Single track, 165 km long
- Heavy trains, 8600 tons, 750 m long
- Mixed traffic
- High capacity utilization
- TCC in Boden controlled via STEG











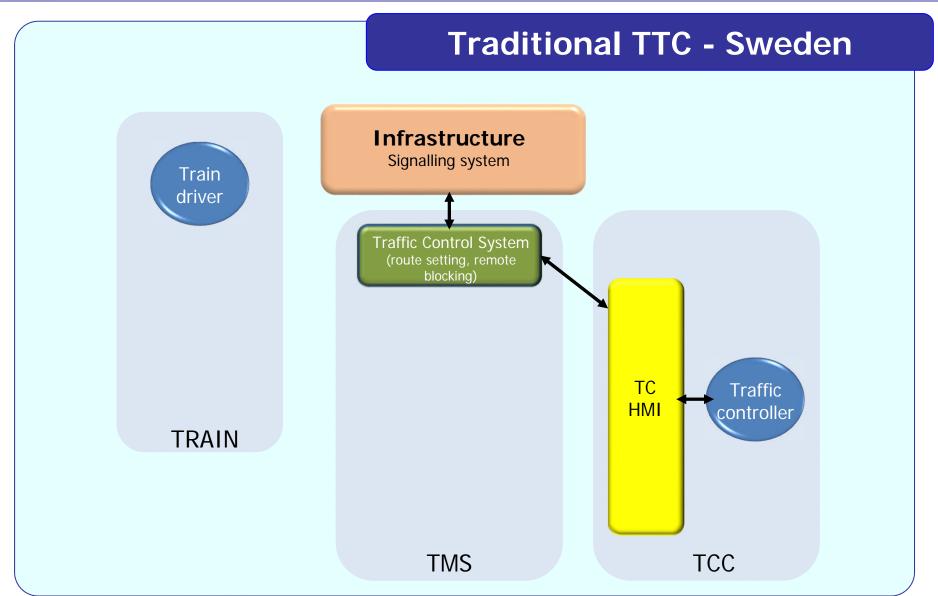
## STEG - Operational control

- Traditional TTC
  - Sweden
  - (Most) other countries
- The STEG CATO solution
- The ON-TIME solution





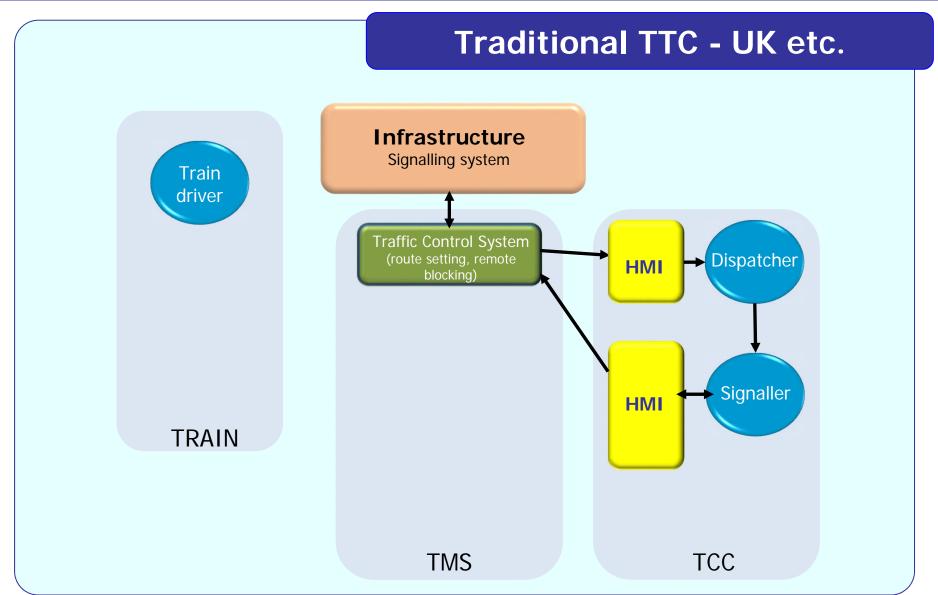








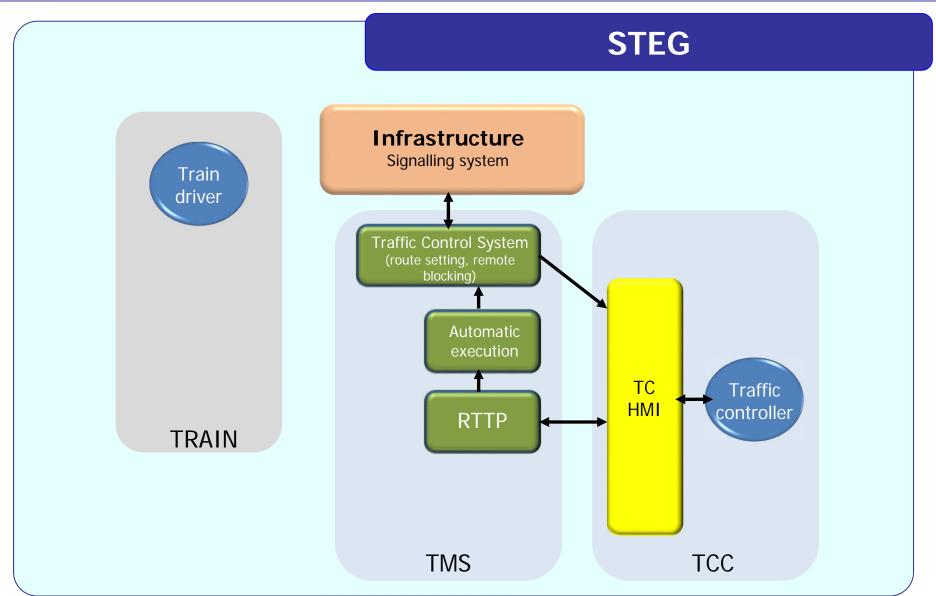








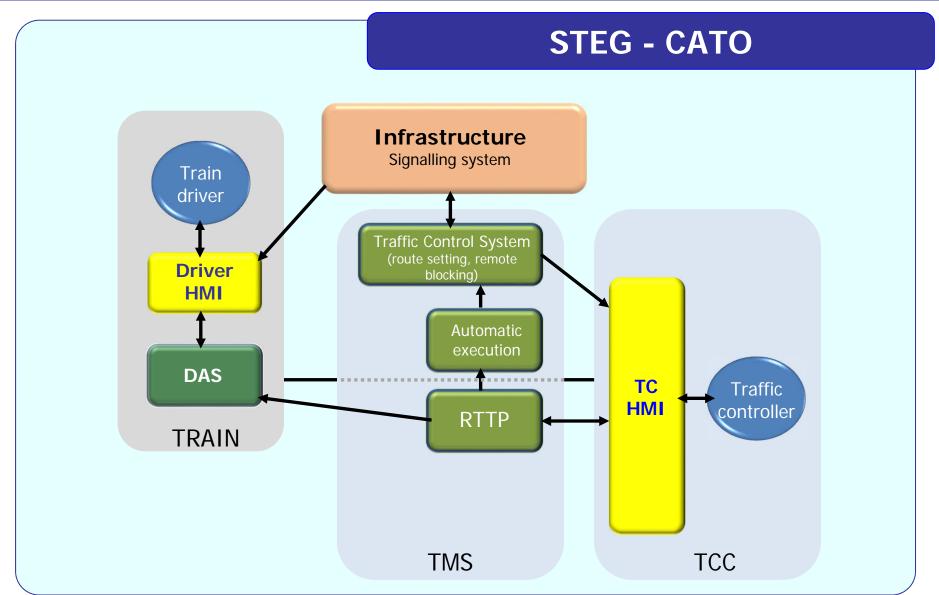








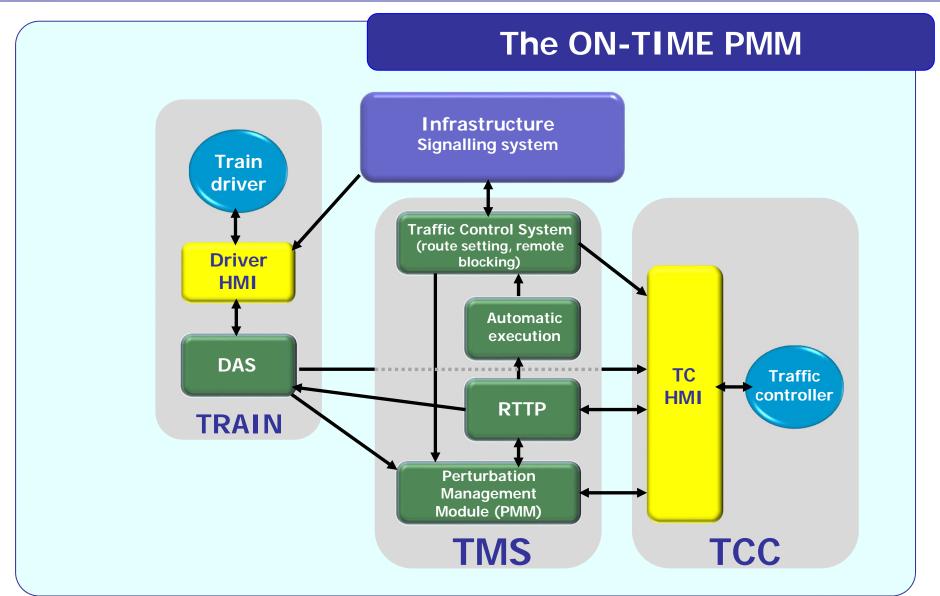














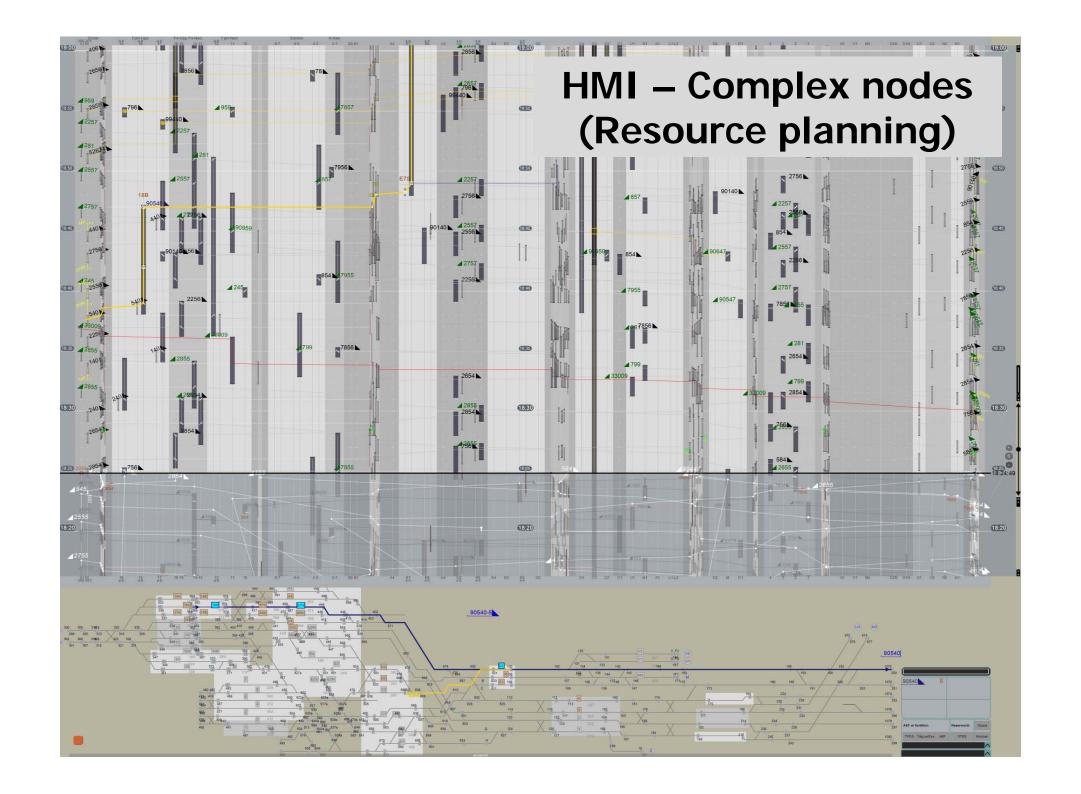




#### **STEG - principle**

- Traffic control by operational re-planning
- A continuously updated RTTP
- Re-planning directly in the TC's HMI
- Automatic execution of the RTTP
  - non-autonomous automation, fully predictable
- CATO DAS on the iron ore trains
  - Target points calculated from the RTTP
  - Reports back if target cannot be reached

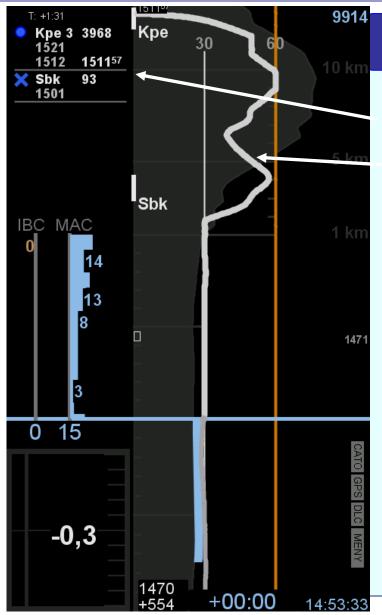












#### The CATO HMI

# Target points Speed profile

Supports driving according to the calculated speed profile, for punctuality and energy saving.

Based on the STEG RTTP.







### **Evaluation – future development**

- STEG is used for operational control in Boden
- CATO is installed on all iron ore trains
- Evaluation
  - Technical problems of different nature still exist
  - The systems are used, but not to full extent
  - Potential benefits are verified, but not fully reached
  - Ongoing development to make the systems complete
- Future development
  - A new national TCS is now being developed, based on STEG
  - Continuous research and development
    - Decision support, DAS, complex nodes, simulators.....