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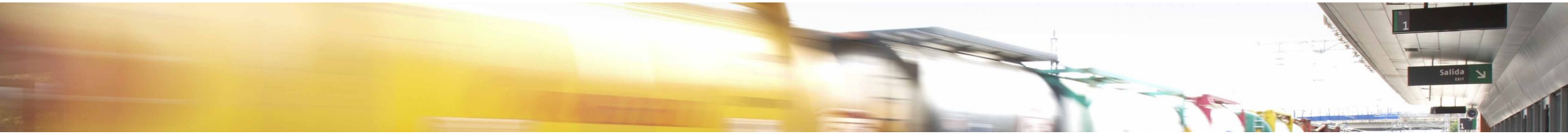
Rail Transport Commission (RailCom)

July 2026

Agenda



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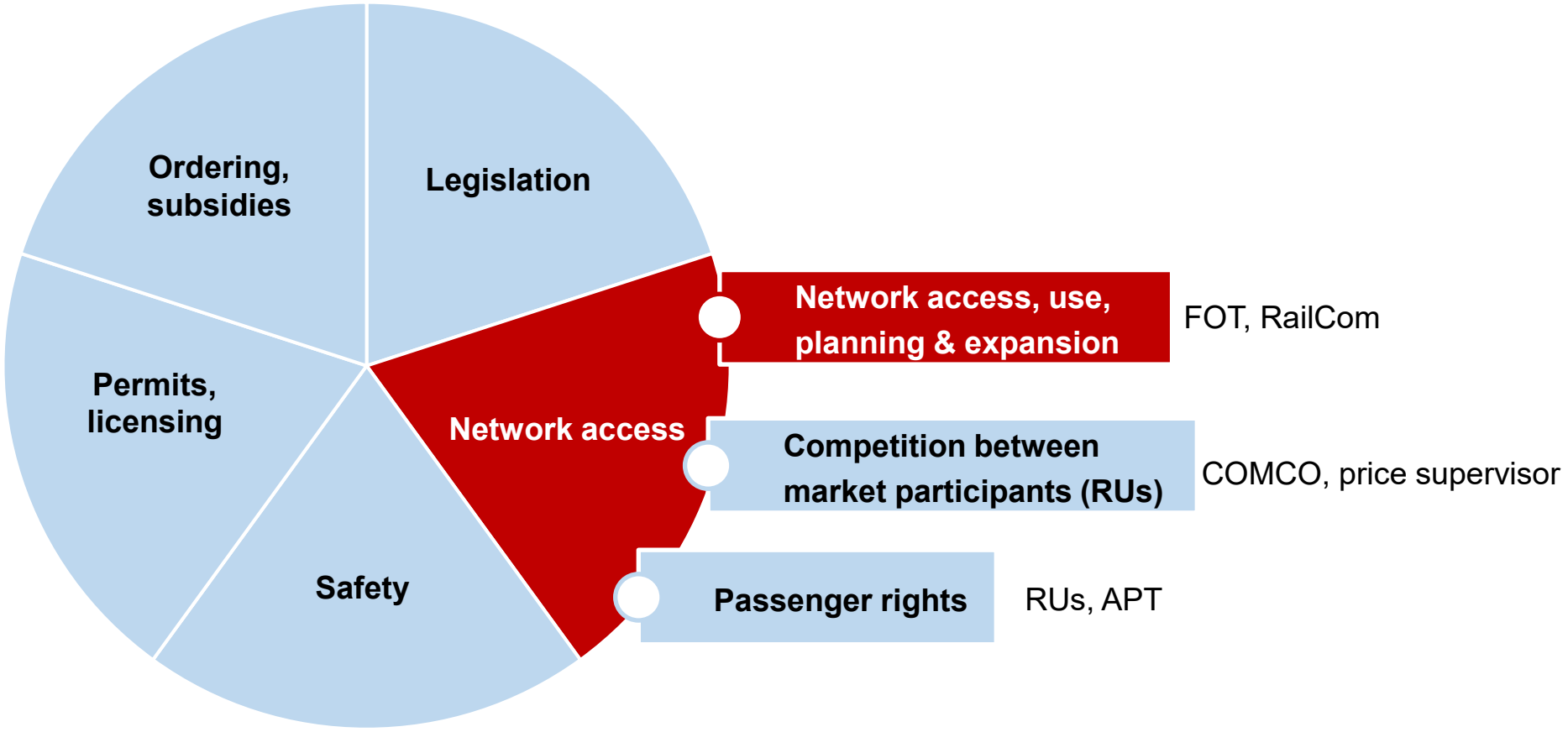
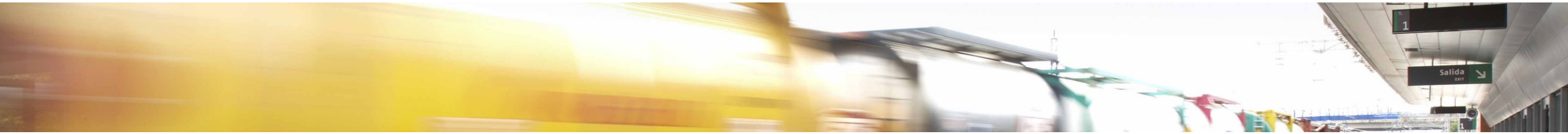
State tasks for the railways



RailCom mandate (1/2)



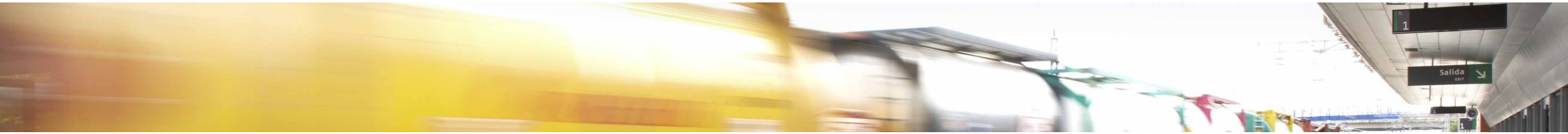
- Ensuring non-discriminatory access in accordance with Art. 40a^{ter} RailA to:
  - **railway infrastructure** including services, prices and access conditions
    - Network access: Track, power supply systems, safety systems, public facilities, marshalling yards, public loading facilities ...
    - Not part of network access: Sales facilities, power plants, workshops ...
  - **intermodal freight terminals** co-financed by the federal government
    - FOT provides investment for the construction, expansion and renewal of facilities and imposes the condition of non-discriminatory access.
  - **port infrastructure of the "Swiss Rhine ports"** ("Schweizerische Rheinhäfen")

RailCom mandate (2/2)

- **Right of participation** of affected RUs and owners of private sidings in IM's short- and medium-term investment planning
- Overarching tasks in infrastructure **(system tasks**)
- **Last-mile services** (freight transport services between railway infrastructure and sidings or intermodal freight terminals).

RailCom ensures fair framework access conditions and thus contributes to a competitive railway system in Switzerland.

RailCom activities



- **Specialised court:** Decision in case of disputes
- **Ex officio investigations:** (Complaint →) Preliminary investigation → Opening of proceedings → Ruling
- **Market monitoring/supervision:** Supervises mainly train path allocation in the annual timetable, network statement/list of services, access to intermodal freight terminals.
- **Market surveillance** Tracking/analysis of current developments/events in the Swiss railway landscape (quantitative and qualitative).
- **International cooperation:** IRG-Rail (Access working group), international rail freight corridors (North Sea – Rhine – Mediterranean corridor).

RailCom organisation

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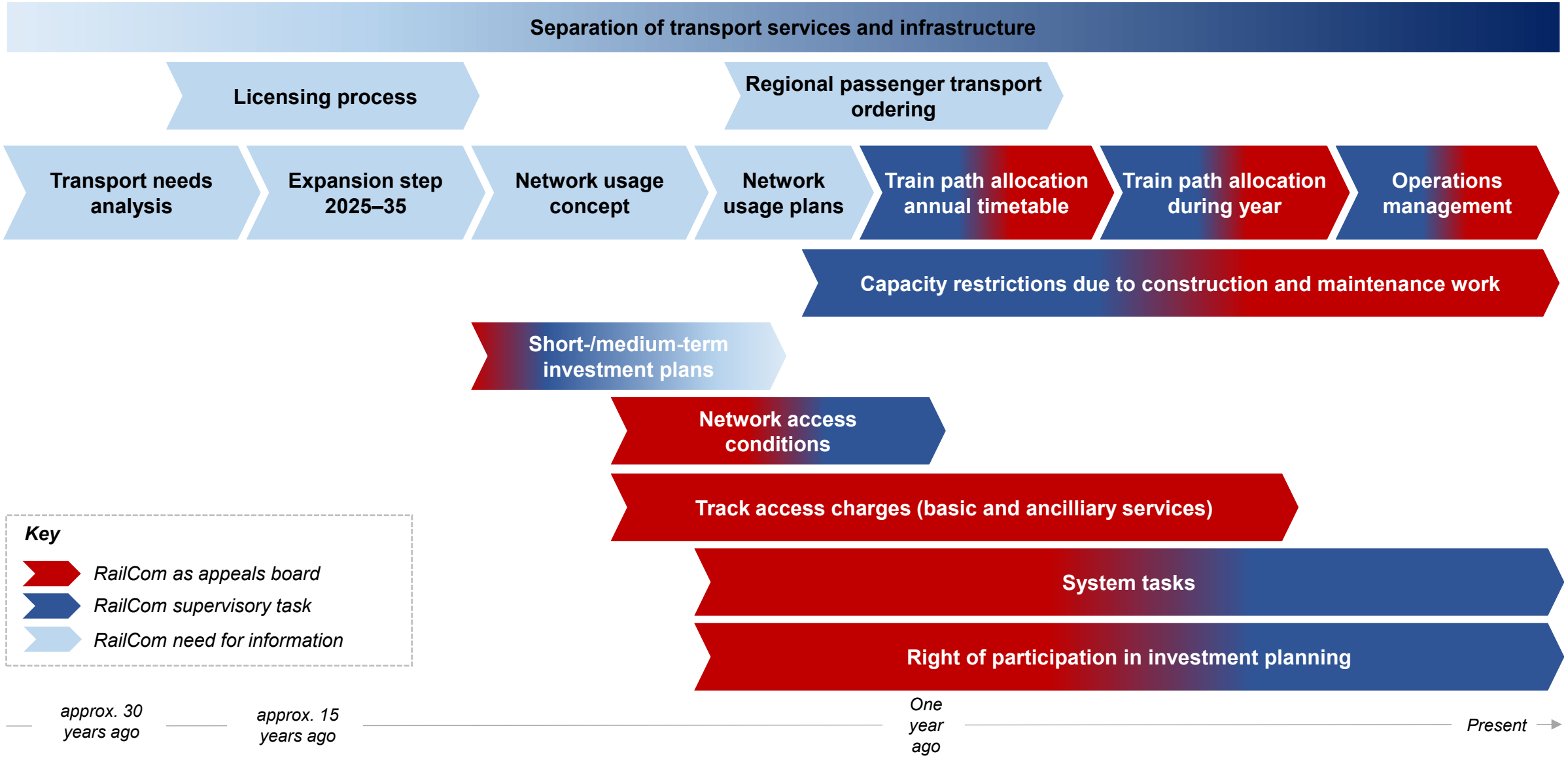
RailCom responsibilities in network access, system tasks and right of participation in investment planning



Future developments

- **Digitalisation and spread of integrated railway**
  - Agile process/project-oriented structures and new technologies overcome organisational barriers between infrastructure and transport sectors
  - Smaller railway companies face big challenge in funding technological changes
  - Analysis of big data provides information relevant to understanding competition
  - Potential for discrimination in capacity planning/control and operation (TMS)