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Subject: Re: Differences between <screenCoordinates> and <Infrastructure visualization> tags

Posted by [christian.rahmig](#) on Fri, 05 Jul 2019 09:23:11 GMT

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Dear Fabiana,

<infrastructureVisualizations> contains all the projections of elements for graphical visualization of infrastructure, e.g. points, polygones, etc. while <screenPositioningSystems> is just the container for storing the coordinate system's parameter, e.g. the maximum screen resolution.

So, you shall save the screen coordinates with the elements under <infrastructureVisualizations>.

The connection between both elements is given with the reference attribute <visualization>@positioningSystemRef. Therefore, you need to have both elements in your export file, but the coordinates themselves (x,y) are given in the sub elements of <visualization>.

Best regards  
Christian

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Am 24.06.2019 um 12:34 schrieb Fabiana Diotallevi:

- > Dear all,
- > we are adapting our tool Rail-AiD to import/export data in
- > the new railML 3.1 format.
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- > I have a question regarding the two different tags:
- > <infrastructureVisualizations>
- > <screenPositioningSystems>
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- > My aim is to draw with Rail-AiD a railway track-plan, then
- > export it in railML 3.1 and then re-import it and visualize
- > it. Suppose that I have drawn the station, and that for each of
- > my objects (i.e. signals, switches, balises, etc) I have
- > defined a specific measure of the linear mileage in meters.
- > I need to export, together with the linear coordinates of
- > the objects, also the "screen" coordinates, because I would
- > like to reload the railML file and see again on the screen
- > the exact same drawing I had before the export.

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> My question is: where do the screen coordinates shall be  
> saved in the railML file? In the <screenPositioningSystems>  
> or in the <infrastructureVisualizations> tag?  
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> In particular, I have a problem with the netElements, that  
> are not simple "point-objects" defined by a couple of (x,y)  
> coordinates, but they can be polygonal chains.  
> So far the only way I have found is to export them as a  
> multi-point <linearElementProjection> in the  
> <infrastructureVisualizations> tag.  
> The same method (i.e. export objects coordinates using the  
> <infrastructureVisualizations> tag) could be applied to map  
> all other objects (spot-like, line-like, area-like).  
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> In this approach, what is the use of the  
> <screenPositioningSystems> tag? Can I neglect it?  
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> I hope to have explained myself,  
> thanks in advance,  
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> Fabiana  
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