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Subject: country code for trains

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Hello all,

as with national ocp code numbers, train numbers are only unique within one country (or not even this).

To uniquely identify a train the country code of the network operator that assigned the train number has to be known to.

A use would be an international timetable information system.

This would imply to add a country code attribute to any element that has a trainNumber attribute... or to be more precise: to add a country code attribute to every trainNumber attribute since <trainPart> has two of them.

At the moment I would suggest not to take immediate action but to wait for the development at Rail Net Europe, since they are still struggling with the unique identification of trains and maybe some surprising new attributes will show up in near future.

@Joachim Rubröder: I can monitor the process for railML if you like.

Best wishes

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