

EXPERTISE AT THE SERVICE OF INNOVATION AND PERFORMANCE

A reference in Europe

- 2 TESTING PLATFORMS: CEF1 CEF2
- 20 KM OF TRACKS





RAILWAY TESTING CENTRE

The Railway Testing Centre (CEF) is a unique tool in France dedicated to leasing its infrastructures and services for testing, maintenance and training activities.

It allows, the railway manufacturers, equipment manufacturers, operators, infrastructure managers, test laboratories or researchers to:

- carry out their tests on dedicated infrastructures, without the constraints inherent in commercially exploited networks
- benefit from appropriate logistical facilities and high level technical support
- have facilities that can be configured according to their needs

OUR STRENGTHS

FLEXIBILITY



Given the challenges inherent in the testing process, the CEF makes it a point of honor to be able to propose to its clients organizational solutions adapted to their constraints.

SAFETY



Safety is the first priority of the CEF, both for staff and for traffic. Each year, the CEF is subject to two safety audits according to ALSTOM Transport standards.

ADAPTABILITY



CEF strives to offer tailor-made solutions to best meet the testing needs of its customers.

SECURITY



CEF has invested in significant means of protection in order to preserve in particular the rolling stock present on the site from any malicious acts.

ISO-COFRAC



CEF has obtained ISO 9001 certification since 2009 for its test tracks operations and, since 2012, for its testing laboratory activity.

The test laboratory is also accredited by COFRAC according to ISO/CEI 17025.

DYNAMIC TESTS PERFORMED ON ROLLING STOCK

CEF1	CEF2	NOISE	BRAKING	CEF1	CEF2
X		Measurement of internal noise, both static and dynamic	Braking performance	X	X
		Measurement of external noise at 7.50 m	Tests on degraded adhesion conditions	X	X
	×	from the track: with train at constant speed, in acceleration and in deceleration	Wheel Slide protection System: adjustment and tests under very degraded adhesion conditions	×	X
CEF1	CEF2	TRACTION PERFORMANCE	Parking brake: measurement of forces applied on wheels and discs + operation of braking test system	X	X
X	X	Electric traction and braking performance			
X	X	Starting performance of traction control systems	Anti-slip system: performance and operation Protect bloodings payretion	X	X
	×	Speed regulation system tests /	Brake blending: operation		X
		imposed speed	TRAIN OPERATION	CEF1	CEF2
X	X	Adherence performance at starting and in traction	Train command, control and monitoring systems	X	X
X	X	Residual acceleration of the train at maximum speed (limited to 100 kph)	Sanding and wheel flange lubrications systems	X	X
X	X	Brake management during emergency brake application	Magnetic friction braking / eddy-current braking	X	X
X	×	Speed indicator: measurement of the display accuracy	Braking in the event of loss of train integrity		X
CEF1	CEF2	COMPATIBILITY BETWEEN ROLLING STOCK AND TRAIN DETECTION SYSTEMS	OPERATION OF SAFETY EQUIPMENT	CEF1	CEF2
	X	Compatibility with track circuits	Communication ground/train, recording of events, control of driver vigilance		X
	×	Compatibility with electronic wheel detectors	ERTMS level 1 and 2, ETCS and GSMR radio system	X	
CEF1	CEF2	ELECTROMAGNETIC COMPATIBILITY	Operation of the systems of indication: repetition of signals (BRS), KVB		X
X	X	Radiated electromagnetic disturbances	Operation of the braking automation		X
	X	Interference with telecommunication lines	THERMAL CAPACITY TESTS	CEF1	CEF2
CEF1	CEF2	DVNAMIC DEDECOMANCE	In traction	X	X
OLI I		DYNAMIC PERFORMANCE	• In braking		X
	X	Vibrational comfort (ride quality)	Air flow control		X
X	X	Running behaviour – measurement of forces on the track			



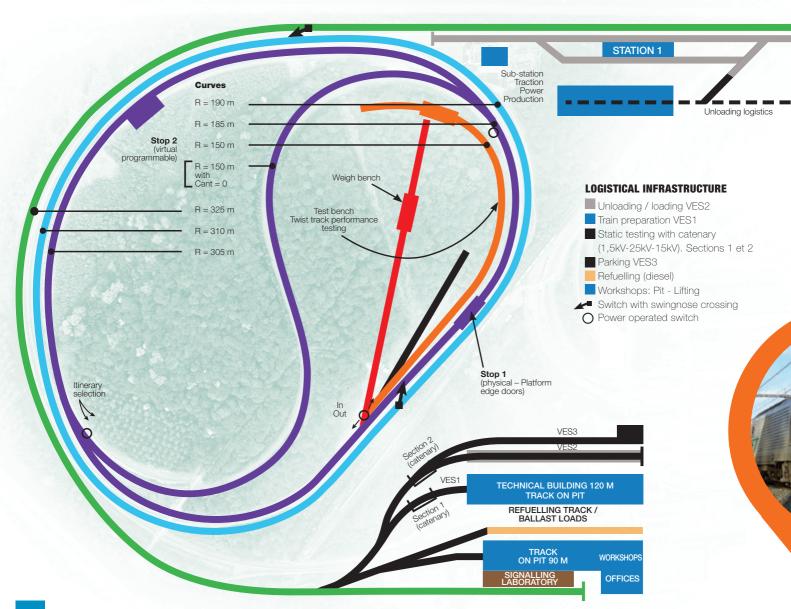




TESTING PLATFORM - UP TO 110 KPH PEAK

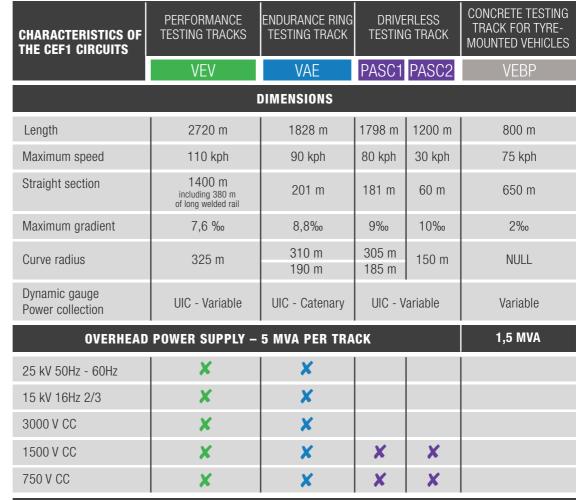
BASED IN PETITE-FORÊT, CLOSE TO VALENCIENNES, AT THE HEART OF THE REGION LES HAUTS OF FRANCE, THE CEF1 COVERS A 52 HECTARE SURFACE AND IS LINKED WITH THE NATIONAL RAILROAD NETWORK (RFN).

CEF1 is perfectly adapted in tests of urban / suburban rolling stock (such as metro, trams and tram-trains) equipped with standard gauge bogies(1435 mm). CEF1 has also installations allowing to test rubber-tyred vehicules, as well as the driverless systems. CEF1 is equipped with a ERTMS track, a weigh bench and an anti-derailment test track.





A FLEXIBLE, CONFIGURABLE HIGH-TECH PLATFORM **FOCUSED ON VALIDATION OF NEW PRODUCT DEVELOPMENTS AND THEIR INTEGRATION**



3RD RAIL POWER SUPPLY VIA AND CONTACT MODE



750 V CC

Rollways

Power supply sections

STATION 2



TESTING PLATFORM - 160 KPH SEMI-STABILISED

BASED IN THE MEUSE DEPARTMENT, IN TROUVILLE EN BARROIS, CLOSE TO BAR-LE-DUC, CEF2 HAS BEEN BUILT TO MEET THE EXPECTATIONS AND TESTS NEEDS OF THE THE CONVENTIONAL ROLLING STOCKS (INTERCITY, MAIN LINE AND FREIGHT).

CEF 2 offers a 12 km straight line, capable of 160km / hour, and is linked with the National Railroad network (RFN).





- Operational parking area
- Static tests with catenary 25kV

braking performance at 160 kph

• Power collection 25 kV - 1.5 kV

- Low adhesion
- Tests on 8 % slopeSpeed control u sing beacons

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DIMENSIONAL FEATURES					
Length	12 km				
Maximum speed	160 kph				
Straight section	1100 m (2)				
Maximum gradient	8‰				
Flat section	0				
Curve radius	750 m to 4500 m				
POWER					
25 kV 50Hz	6 MVA with regenerative function				
1500V CC	3,5 MVA without regenerative function				
SIGNALLING					
KVB system	Evolvable bi-standard KVB-ERTMS				
INSTALLATIONS					
Technical building	140 m				
Pit	120 m				
Complete lifting of train	Set of lifting jacks				



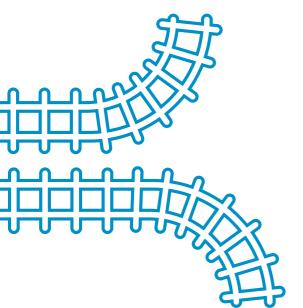
FUNCTIONS



THANKS TO SPECIFIC INFRASTRUCTURES IN CEF1 AND ITS COFRAC ISO / CEI 17025 ACCREDITATION, THE LABORATORY TEAM CAN PERFORM THE TESTS BELOW. AND DEMONSTRATE THE RESULTS:

- ✔ Rolling stock weigh tests
- ✓ Non-derailment performance tests (twist track, method 1).

Thanks to our benches capacities, CEF is a key player in Europe able to perform these tests.



WEIGH BENCH

CHARACTERISTICS

- Length in straight alignment: 288 m
- Track equipped with pit and centering device
- Simultaneous measurement of 2 axles
- 20 sensors

ASSOCIATED MEASUREMENTS

- Exploitable in static and dynamic mode
- Weight assessment
- Weather conditions
- Accuracy: ± 0,5 kN

REFERENCE STANDARD: NF 00-701











MONITORING/HOMOLOGATION



TWIST TRACK

CHARACTERISTICS

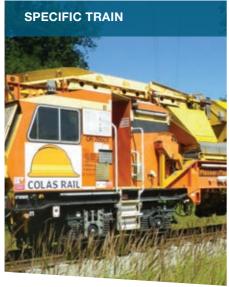
- Length 350 m
- With 30 m slab track covered for measurements
- Radius of curvature: 150 m
- Slope: -45mm/+45mm on 30 m
- Twist: 3‰
- 150 sensors

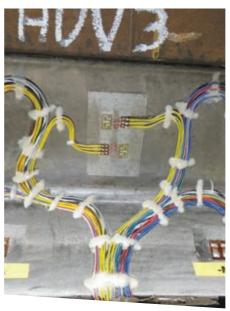
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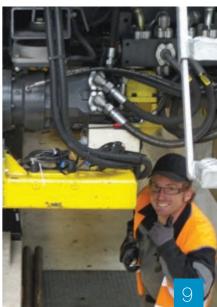
- Non-derailment performance tests
- Wheel / rail contact stress
- Weather conditions
- Wheel lifting
- Striking angle
- Wheel profile
- Accuracy: ± 0,5 mm

REFERENCE STANDARD: EN 14363









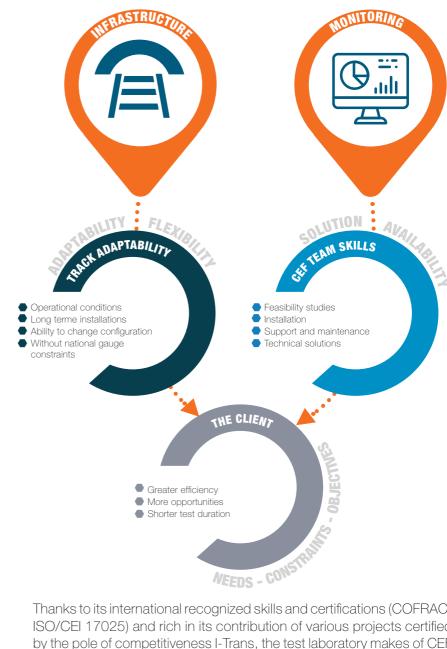












Thanks to its international recognized skills and certifications (COFRAC, ISO/CEI 17025) and rich in its contribution of various projects certified by the pole of competitiveness I-Trans, the test laboratory makes of CEF the preferred partner for your research and development programs. The test laboratory takes advantage in test, metrology, rolling stock, infrastructure, to invest in complex, scientific and technical projects combining innovation and performance.

- Preliminary study
- Implementation, instrumentation
- Data acquisition

- Measurement processing
- Test reports
- Customers project management



THANKS TO OUR PARTNERSHIP WITH ALSTOM, **CEF HAVE THE ACCESS TO DELOCALIZED TESTS BENCHES TO REALIZE CLIMATIC** AND ACOUSTIC TESTS.

CLIMATIC CHAMBER

This installation was previously dedicated to type tests and to develop cooling or heating/ ventilation equipment. It can also be used in other domains as electrical, road, aeronautics, military, etc... in order to test bigger specimen under extreme conditions.

Physical characteristics

- Total volume : ≈ 1000 m³
- Usable Volume: ≈ 750 m³
- Usable length: 35 m
- Usable width: 4,3 m
- 240 thermic test loops

Raw performances

- \bullet T° min = -30°C
- T° max = +60°C
- Max. Relative Hygrometry: 90%
- Solar radiation: 1000W/ m²

Reference standards

● EN 13129-1, EN 13129-2, EN 14750-1, EN 14750-2, EN 14813-1, EN 14813-2

they trust us:















ACOUSTIC CHAMBER

This installation is made by a double reverberation chamber, designed for tests of acoustic transparency in diffuse field.

Vibratory analysis with impacts hammers of adapted sizes.

Physical characteristics

Radiation room volume: 69,8 m³ Reception room volume: 58,7 m³

Maximum dimensions of the specimen

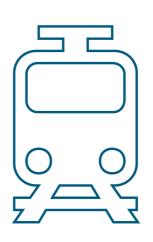
- Length = 2,295 m
- Width = 1,465 m
- ◆ Thickness = 0,3 m

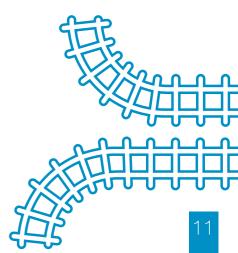
Raw performance

- Maximum sound transmission loss: 57dB(A)
- Frequency range: 100 Hz 5000 Hz

Reference standards

EN 3095; EN 3381; EN 15892; EN 60268; EN 3382









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a satisfied customer





