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# Presentation



# Representing Cargo Rail Europe



## History

- Since 1954 AIEP/IVA has been attending to the interests of sidings owners and rail freight customers as the umbrella organisation of national sidings associations.
- 2001 Position Paper on private sidings policy has been presented to EU Commission
- 2005 Opening AIEP/IVA to Cargo Rail Europe, CRE
- Since February 2008 member of House of Rail
- November 2008 HoR Conference on private sidings in Brussels



## Membership Structure

- National Associations of private sidings owners
- Private sidings owners, Customers
- Terminal-operators
- Port authorities
- Workshops



## Interests - Sidings

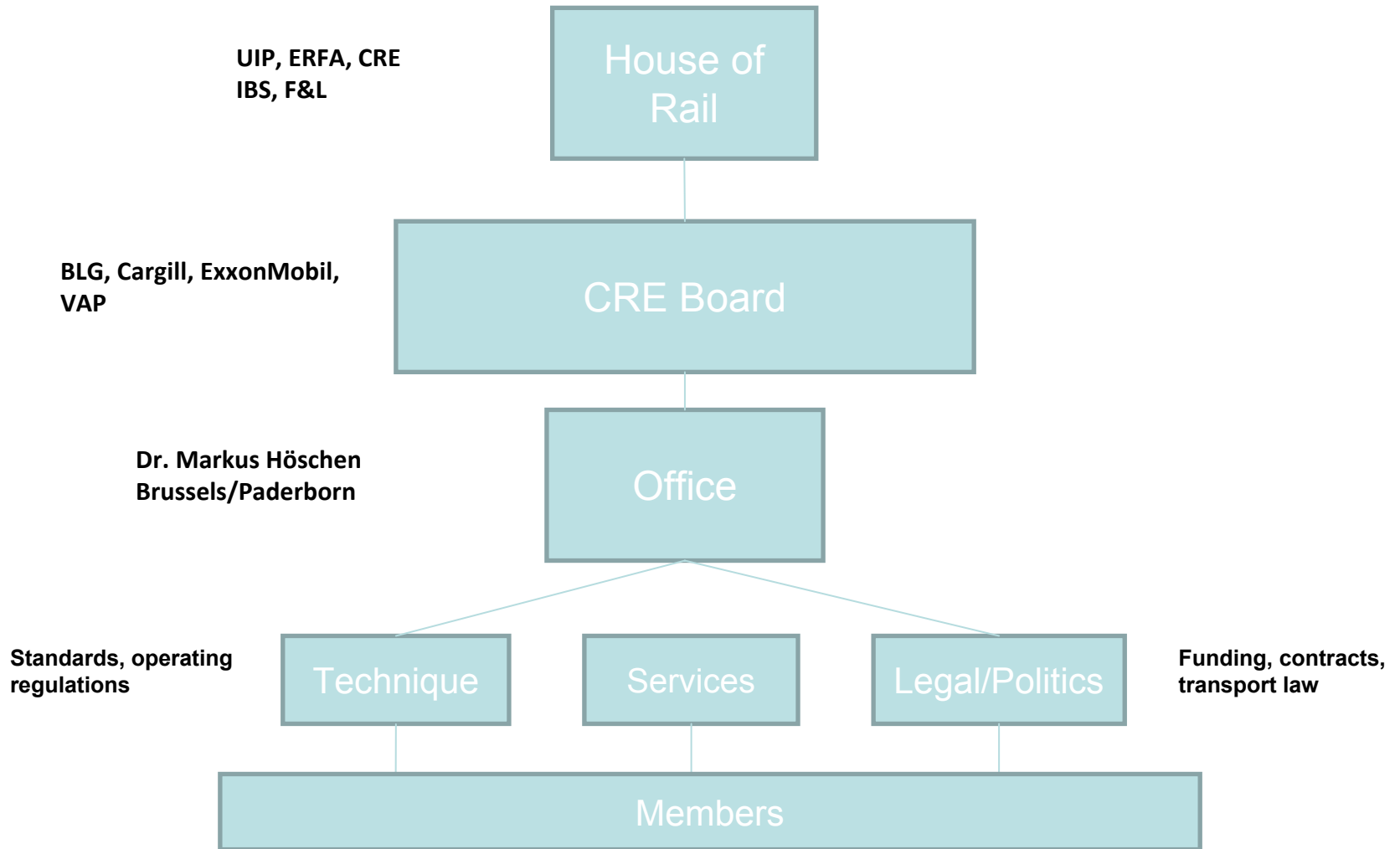
- Availability of sidings for single wagonload traffic
  - Funding programs for sidings
  - Planning policy for industrial areas near the railway infrastructure
- Non-discriminatory access to sidings
  - Pricing for access to sidings
  - Standardised technical rules and operating regulations
  - Standardised safety management systems
- Operation of Sidings in the different regions
  - Links of regional network and last miles to the European Axes
  - Dense European network of sidings for single wagonload traffic



## Interests - Operations

- Ensure safe transportation:
  - Standardised safety checks by network operator instead of railway undertakings
  - Standardised, generally applicable loading guidelines for the industry
- Better quality of transportation:
  - Real-time flow of information and reporting of incidents
  - Repairs of wagons en route on standard terms
  - Effectual liability insurance of railway undertakings





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