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Project i-TRACE - Let's get moving Issue 1, February 2020

Happy new year!

2019 was the year to "Get on Board with Project i-TRACE". We saw many companies introducing GS1 standards compliant labels and plates. So, 2020 is the year for the industry to really get moving.

The industry is on the road to digitalisation and Project i-TRACE provides the foundation to enable this.

Project i-TRACE is the standardised identification and marking of parts, components and assets in the Australian Rail Industry through the adoption of GS1 standards.

This newsletter will help to keep you abreast of developments, progress and initiatives within the local and global Rail community as well as training, events and resources available.



Sydney Trains moves forward with their Project i-TRACE implementation

Sydney Trains has been very active driving improvements in their business and are on track to have all the parts in their Rail Equipment Centre marked with an i-TRACE label by the middle of this year. They have also been actively involved in the Project i-TRACE Material Master Data Work Group, focusing on the exchange of Material Master Data across the Rail sector.



Material Master Data project

Another i-TRACE initiative is the exchange of Material Master Data (MMD) for parts and components in the Rail Industry. The i-TRACE MMD Work Group has developed a core list of MMD attributes for the Rail industry and will be piloting the exchange of MMD via the National Product Catalogue over the next few months.



Version 2.3 October 2019

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To help you get moving this year, a good start is to download the latest version of the industry guideline.

[Request access to the Rail AIDC Guideline v2.3 here](#) to start your journey.



ARA AGM and appointment of their new CEO

The 2019 ARA AGM was held alongside AusRAIL PLUS in Sydney last year. As reported by the ARA, members voted for appointments as per this media release.

[Read the full media release here](#)



Sponsorship of ARA Rail Industry awards

Innovation and Technology Award Category

GS1 Australia is proud to be sponsoring the ARA Rail Industry awards in July. For award details and to submit your nomination, [read more](#)



Experience standards “in action” with the GS1 Discovery App

This App is not new anymore but it's still powerful, easy and interactive.

The App assists users around the globe to understand GS1 standards and how they can transform the way we work and live.

[Experience standards in action](#)



GS1 standards keep rail companies on track

Have you ever wondered how railway companies worldwide address the rapid digital transformation of the industry? This video shows how the digital foundation has been laid by implementing GS1 standards.

[Watch video](#)



Project i-TRACE training

Registrations are now open for Melbourne and Sydney Project i-TRACE training. Get in quick and register.

Melbourne
31 March

Sydney
7 May



Technology revolution in rail

At AusRAIL last year, Bonnie Ryan spoke about the industry having a drive to digitalise. Read more in this article from Rail Express.

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