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Subject: [railML 3.2] extending the <balise> element  
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Dear all,

the railML use case working group "ETCS" that works on the "ETCS Track Net" use case (see [1]) suggests to extend the current implementation of <balise> in railML 3.x in order to fulfill requirements resulting from ETCS specification.

I summarized the proposed changes in Trac ticket #366 (see [2]).

Please have a look at the proposed changes and let us know your short or long comments.

In particular, I would like to know your opinion on the following issues:

- a) Shall we implement a <balise>@countryID (integer, 0..1023) or shall we make use of the ISO country code concept instead (see [3])?
- b) Shall the location accuracy in <balise>@locationAccuracy (in meters) be modelled as integer or float?
- c) Do you suggest any pattern for storing the ETCS version in attribute <balise>@etcsVersion?

[1] [https://wiki2.railml.org/index.php?title=UC:IS:ETCS\\_track\\_net](https://wiki2.railml.org/index.php?title=UC:IS:ETCS_track_net)

[2] <https://trac.railml.org/ticket/366>

[3] [https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/ISO\\_3166-1\\_alpha-2](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/ISO_3166-1_alpha-2)

Best regards  
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