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Subject: Re: [railML2] extend the elements under <organisationalUnits> with the <designator> element

Posted by [Thomas Nygreen](#) on Wed, 19 Aug 2020 15:28:20 GMT

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Dear Torben,

The coordinators discussed this topic in our telco on 26 June and I was given the task to create a Trac ticket and present it in the forum. You can find the Trac ticket at [1], but then I left for the summer and the forum post was postponed. So I thank you for saving me the work :)

One correction, though: this issue also applies to railML 3, as <designator> was not applied to organisational units in railML 3.1.

As Christian writes, we also need feedback from the community on whether we should:

- a) Keep the InfrastructureManagers.xml code list as an authoritative reference for @code in <infrastructureManager> (in addition to <designator>)
- b) Stop using the code list for future versions and recommend using <designator> instead. @code will still exist in 2.5, but will function like it does on other elements, and no longer be a universal reference.

I prefer b. It saves maintenance, is more consistent with how @code is used elsewhere, and gives consistency between different types of organisational units.

[1] <https://trac.railml.org/ticket/383>

Best regards,  
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