

# Innovative Lighting Concept for Next Generation Train

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# Next Generation Train

## 2035 Hamburg Dammtor ready for departure

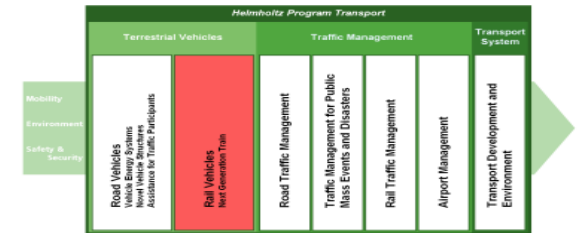


streamlined double deck cab car; single wheels; electric drive 18 MW; 400 km/h;  
aerodynamic + magnetic braking, distance 8 km; performance 100.000 km/month



# Next Generation Train Topics and Goals

1. Increasing the certified train speed to 400 km/h
2. Halving the specific energy consumption  
(compared to ICE-3<sup>1</sup> at 300 km/h)
3. Noise reduction
4. Increase of passenger comfort
5. Improvement of driving safety
6. Reduction of wear and life cycle costs
7. Cost-efficient design:  
by modularization and system integration
8. Increasing efficiency of  
development and permission processes

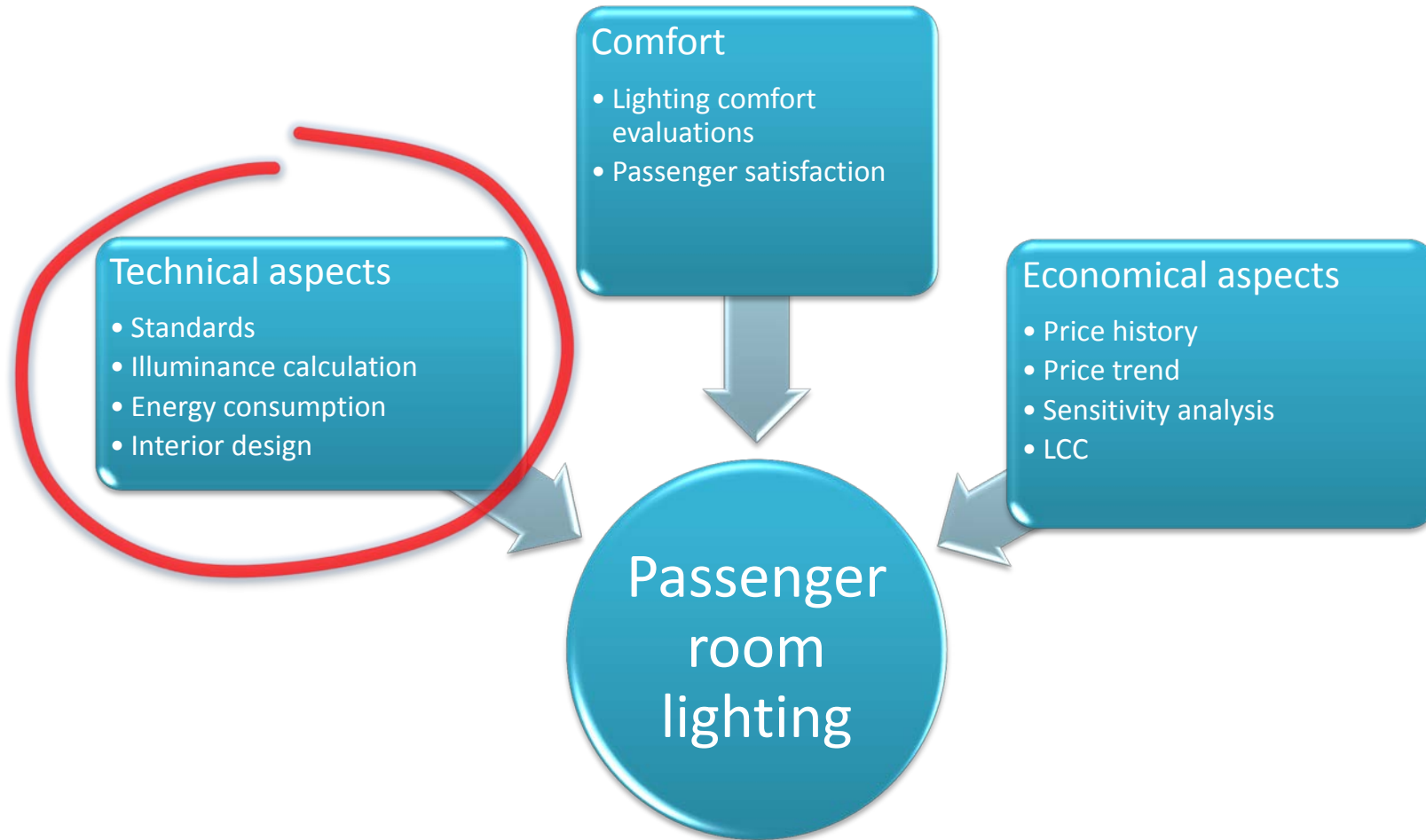


<sup>1</sup> ICE – InterCity Express





# Lighting: systematic investigation

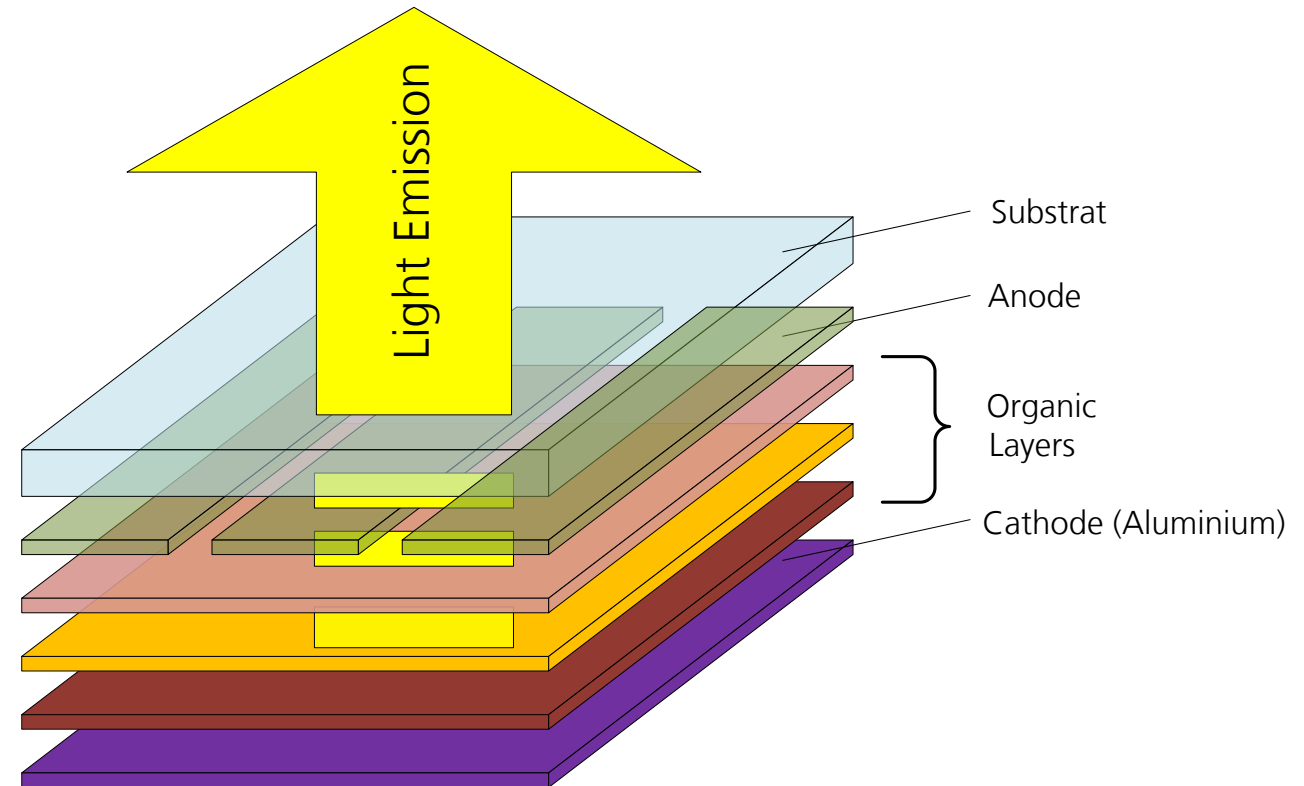


# Light sources

## OLED = Organic Light Emitting Diode

series of thin nm-layers:

- substrate (plastic, glass, foil)
- transparent Indium Tin Oxide (ITO) – anode
- amorphous layers of organic semiconductor
- Metal cathode



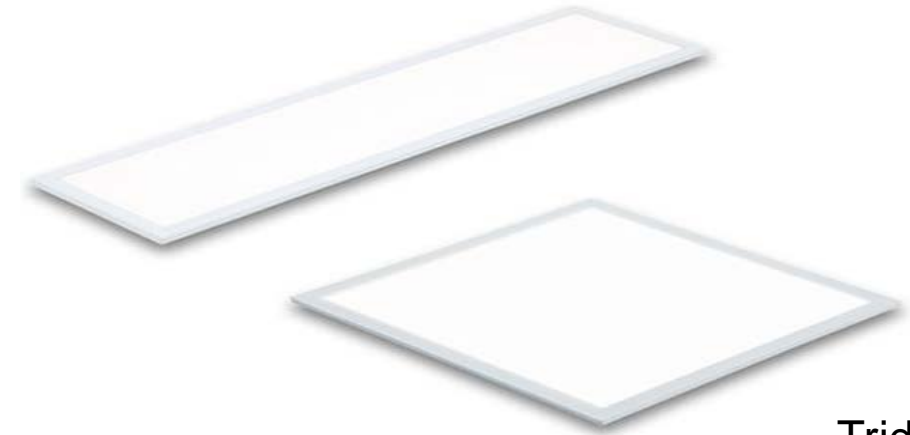
OLED - layers can be spread over very large areas, making them ideal as two-dimensional light sources



# Light sources

## OLEDs

- Homogeneous, non-glare and area light
- Dimmable neutral white light (4 000 K)
- Excellent colour rendering (CRI<sup>1</sup> up to 90)
- Efficient OLED modules (> 50 lm/W)
- Slim form factor (< 2.5 mm) and low weight
- Low surface heating (typ. T = 40°C)
  
- Limited in size (max. 145 x 145 mm)
- Service life only 15 000 h (ca. 2 years in trains)
- Still expensive (ca. 60 €/module = 600 €/klm)



Tridonic®

<sup>1</sup> CRI – Color Rendering Index

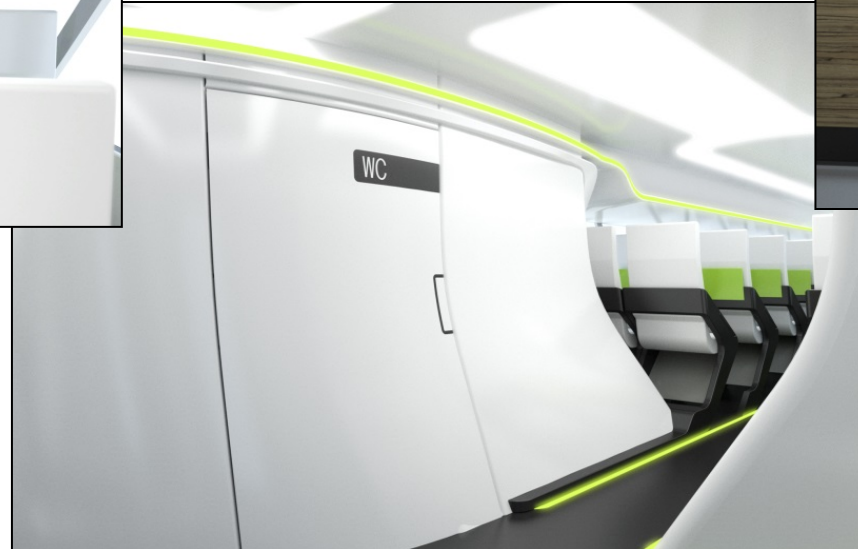


## NGT lighting concept

- an energy-efficient, compact, comfortable and low-maintenance lighting system had to be developed within the NGT project



**lower deck**

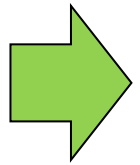


**upper deck**



## Calculation method: DIALux

- well-established software for light planning in buildings and outdoor spaces
- free software
- import of CAD<sup>1</sup> data
- import of OLED specifications
- photorealistic visualizations



the model of NGT was developed and validated within the project



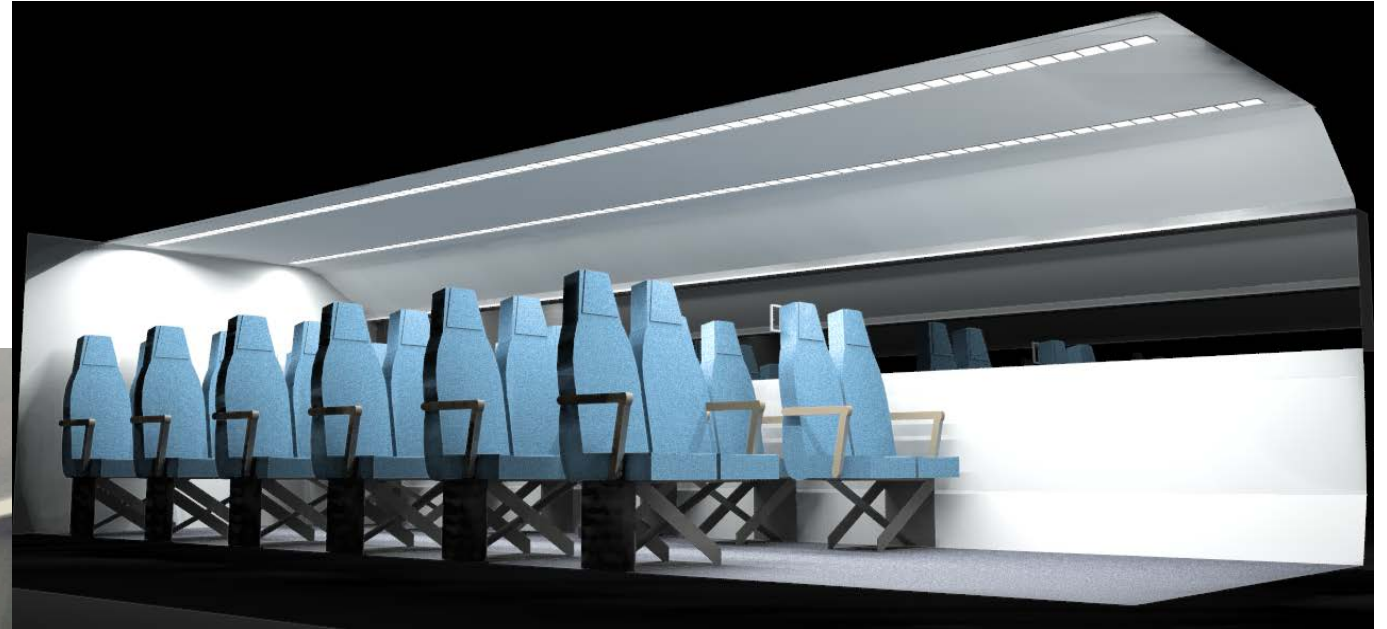
<sup>1</sup> CAD – Computer -aided Design





## Model validation Experiment Design

- Measuring points according to EN 13272 – standard in model and in full-size mock-up



- 136 measuring points on lower deck
- 54 measuring points on upper deck

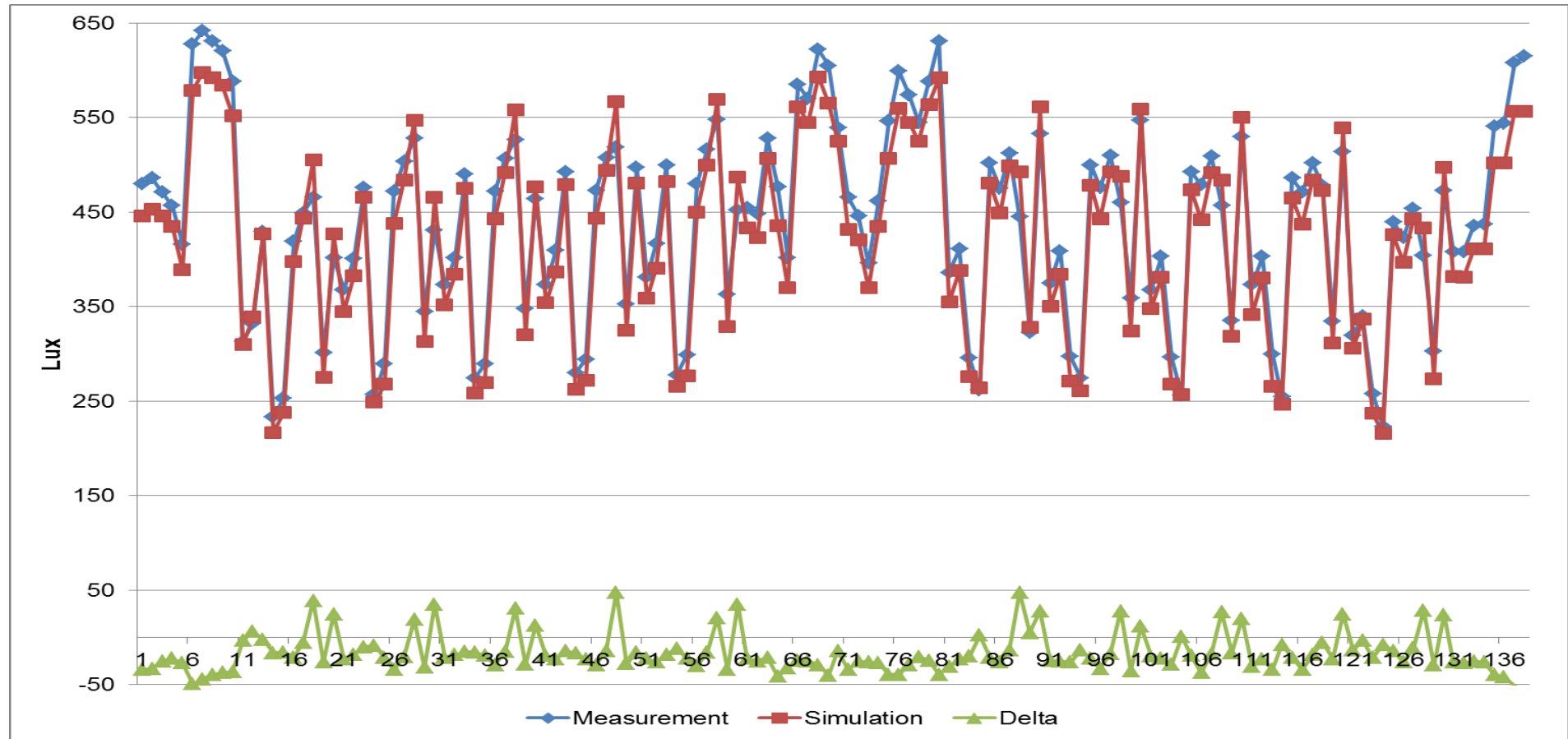


# Model validation

## Experiment results

- average difference of 4.5% on lower deck (LD)

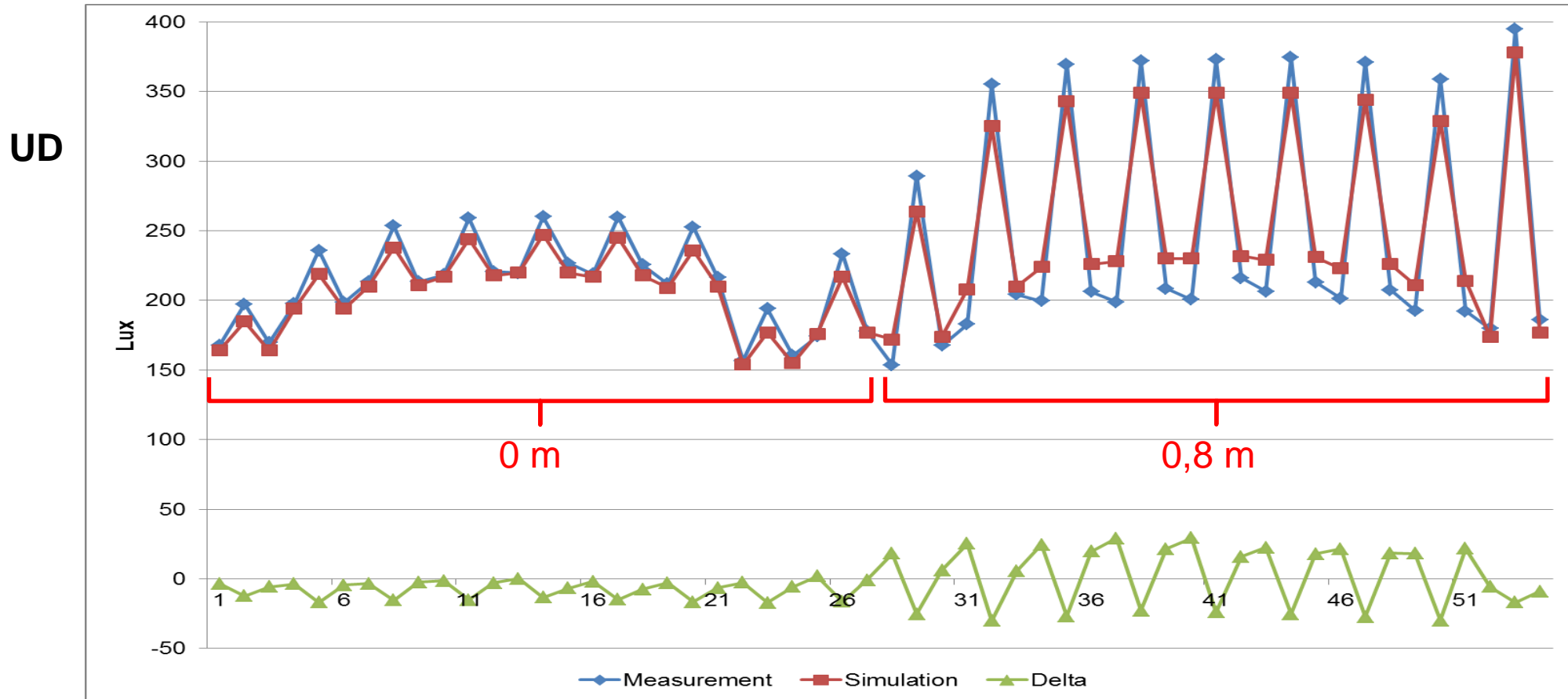
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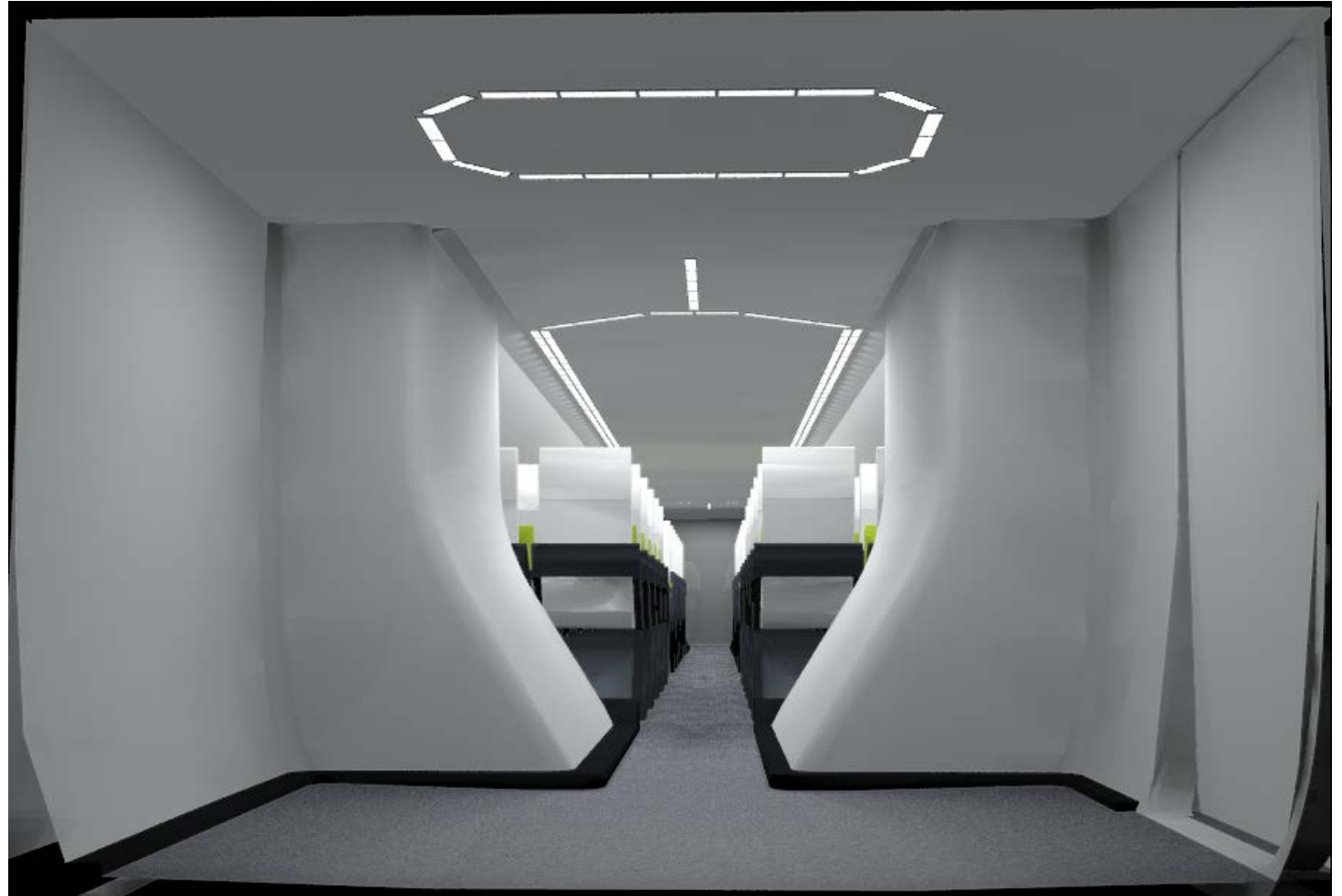
- average difference of only 0.5% on upper deck (UD)



## Lighting concept for NGT Lower deck (second class)

- 302 Tridonic® 'Lureon  
REP 20w5-40 DC' modules
- 634 Watt total
  - 12.2 W/passenger  
(ICE<sup>1</sup> 23.2 W/passenger)
  - **48% power saving**

<sup>1</sup> ICE – InterCity Express





## Lighting concept for NGT Upper deck (first class)

- 349 Tridonic® 'Lureon REP 20w5-40 DC' modules
- 733 Watt total → 15.6 W/passenger (ICE<sup>1</sup> 33.5 W/passenger) → **47% power saving**



## Summary

- *innovative passenger area lighting for double-decker cars has been developed within the Next Generation Train project*
- *technical, economical and comfort aspects of the lighting were investigated*
- *due to the use of innovative illuminants (OLEDs) energy-efficient, compact, comfortable and low-maintenance lighting according to EN 13272- Standard is possible*
- *modular system allows realizing a lot of design ideas and smart lighting control*

## Outlook

- combined control (centrally + individually)
- lighting control using Railway Customer Card (RCC)



**THANK YOU FOR YOUR ATTENTION!**



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