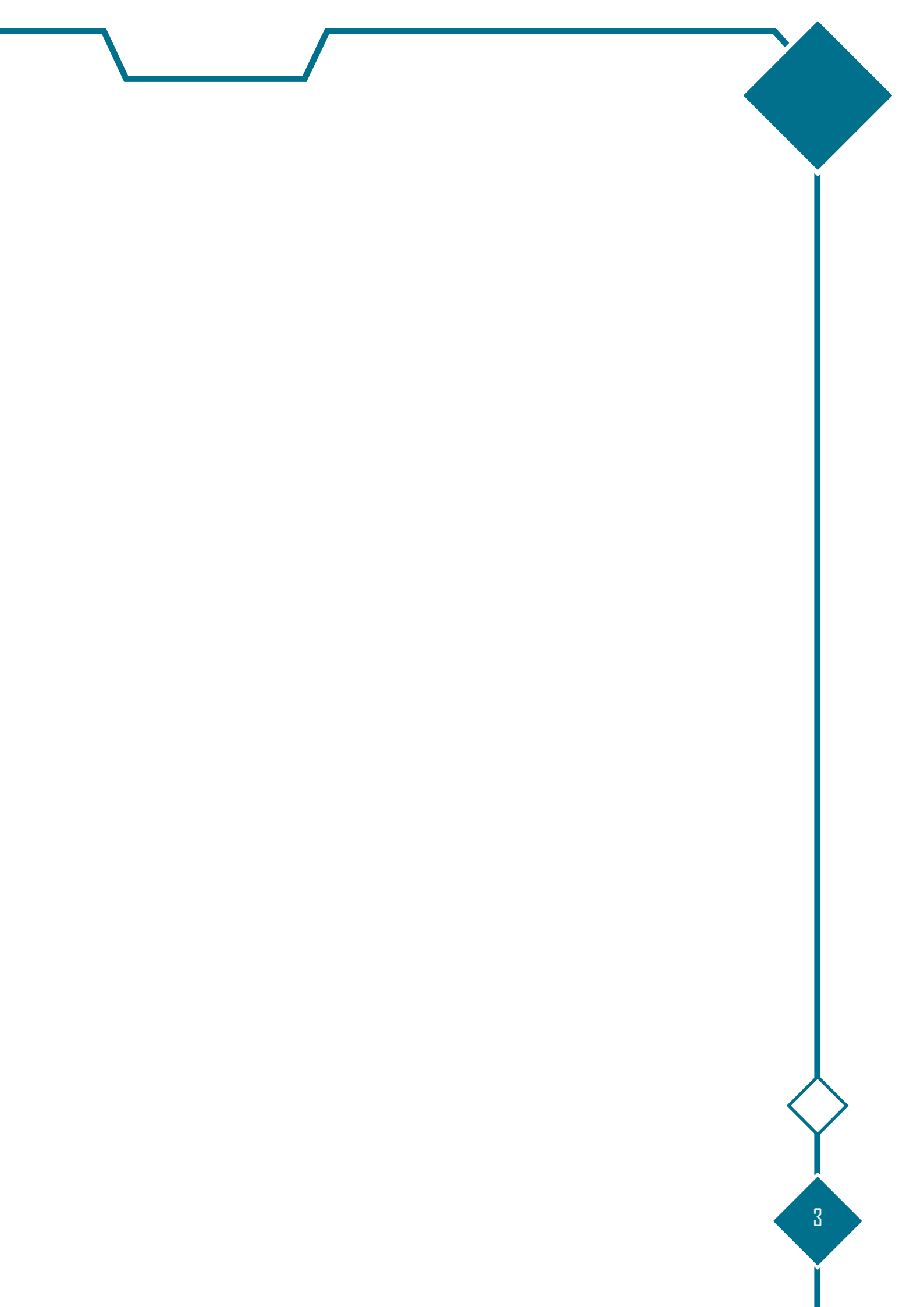


# Bulletin of General Information

## Collision with a person on the track by a passenger train Ruisbroek - 27 February 2021

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# GENERAL INFORMATION

## **Nature of the event:**

Collision with a person on the track.

## **Type of event and safety investigation:**

Serious accident with safety investigation.

## **Date and time of the event:**

27 February 2021 around 6:01 a.m.

## **Place of the event:**

Ruisbroek, Line 96N, approximately 1.200 metres in advance of Ruisbroek station.

## **Train:**

SNCB/NMBS passenger train E3726 (Schaerbeek – Braine-le-Comte), composed of two electric motor cars AM08 “Desiro”: AM8172 + AM8204.

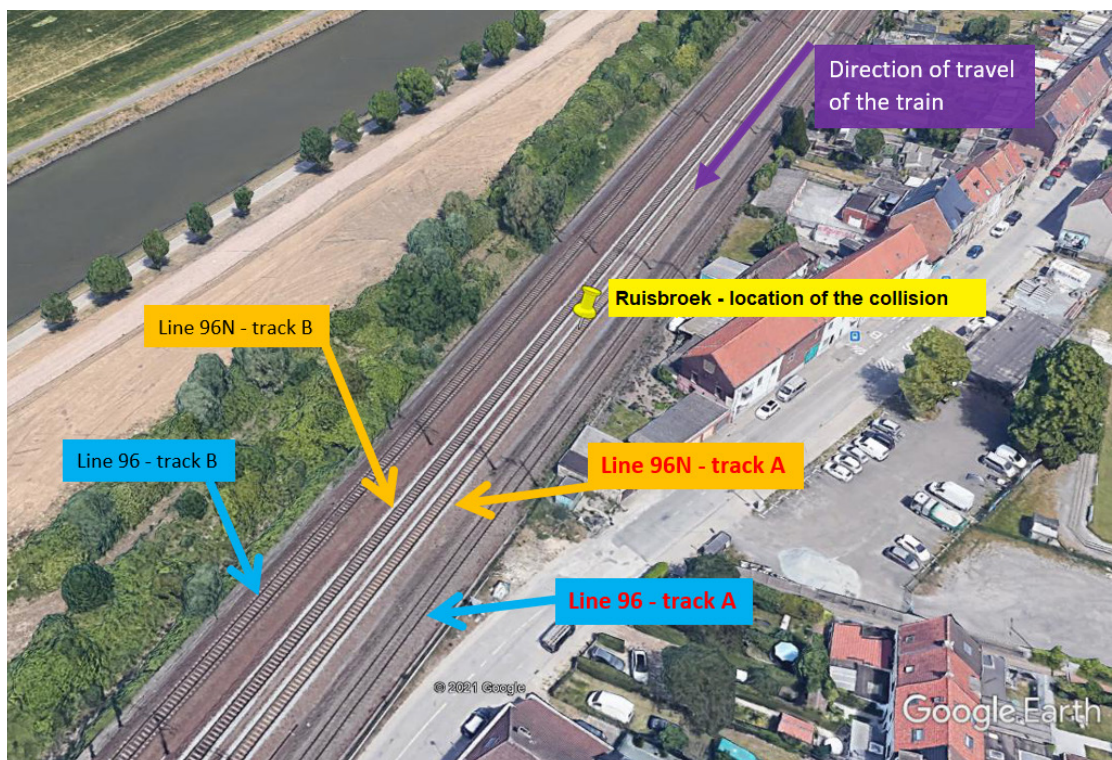
## **Victims:**

There is one victim, an employee of a subcontractor in railway works.

## **Damages and consequences:**

There are no material damages.

Several trains are cancelled or delayed.

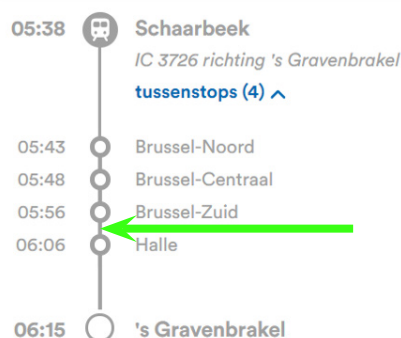


## FACTS

At the scene of the accident, during the night of 26 to 27 February 2021, works are carried out on the signalling<sup>1</sup> on line 96 between Ruisbroek and Buizingen. Between the tracks A and B of L96 is L96N. No works are carried out here and both tracks are considered in service by the subcontractor.

In practice, L96N is out of service from 01:10 a.m. to 03:54 a.m., after which time there are trains on this line. Passenger train E3726 is the fourth movement on L96N on 27 January, and that morning, it travels from Bruxelles-Midi/Brussel-Zuid to Halle station.

For a still unknown reason, the victim moves from track A of L96 to track A of L96N. At that time, train E3726 passes on track A of L96N. The train driver performs an emergency braking, but a collision with the employee cannot be avoided anymore. The employee is caught by the train and dies instantly.



## INVESTIGATION

The safety investigation into this collision is ongoing, as well into direct causes, as into indirect, human and organisational factors.

<sup>1</sup> Takeover PLP (poste à logique programmée – programmed logic station), the electronic equipment with programmed logic that performs the interlocking functions.



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