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Intelligent Transport Systems – More than ICT in Mobility?

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The **ERAdiate** Project

Enhancing Research and innovAtion dimension of the University of Zilina in intelligent transport systems

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Project Highlights

- 11 ERA Chairs granted out of 111 applications in FP7
- 13 H2020-funded ERA chairs in 2015
- Strategy for Sustainability of ERA Chair
- Contribution to
 - >Excellent research
 - > Enhanced competitiveness
 - ➤ Growth and jobs in line with regional innovation strategies





What is ITS?

Standardisation by CEN, ISO, and ETSI

- Electronic Fee Collection
- Freight, Logistics and Comm. Vehicle Operations
- Public Transport
- Traffic and Travel Information
- Dedicated Short Range Communications
- Human-Machine Interfacing
- Automatic Vehicles and Equipment Identification

- Architecture and Terminology
- Traffic Control Systems
- Geographic Data Files
- Road Traffic Data
- Recovery of stolen vehicles
- eCall
- Cooperative ITS
 - Urban ITS

http://www.itsstandards.eu/





ERA Chair Expertise

Experts being internationally recognized with a comprehensive experience in the field of mobility and ITS

- Integrated into University of Zilina
- Networking and cooperating with
 - top level academia throughout Europe
 - relevant stakeholders in international industries & SMEs,
 - public bodies, standardisation, institutions, and NGOs





Affiliating UNIZA to International Networks

(Co-)funded R&D Projects

- Interreg
- H2020
- National projects
- ...

Consultancy

- National and regional industry& SMEs
- European Commission
- National & Regional Governments
- Standardisation
- Evaluation





Expertise driven Research Fields



Urban Mobility / Smart City

Decarbonisation of Mobility

Intermodal ITS





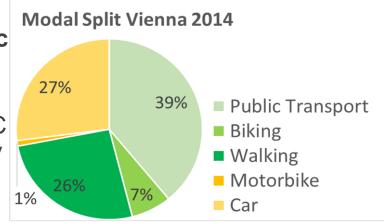
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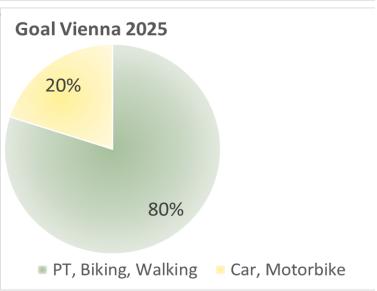
How does high quality urban traffic look like, which are quality targets for urban traffic?

 Shift viewpoint: Replace TRAFFIC by MOBILITY, as this expected by citizens

 Mobility is a complex topic comprising coupled and non-linear interacting systems

- Elasticity of interaction
- Modal composition of urban mobility
- Avoiding delays, congestion, emissions, ...
- Goals: reliable travel, quick, convenient, cheap, clean, informed, ...





Source: https://www.wien.gv.at/rk/msg/2015/02/10006.html





Challenges for the 21st Century

ICT and applications

- Creating the connected world
- Applications available for any purpose
- Internet of Things
- Big Data / Open Data
- Usability has to be improved
- Value of information is accepted only when aggregated, processed, refined, and validated
- ❖ PROVIDING INFORMATION IS A SOCIETAL TASK OF HIGH IMPACT! It contributes to an inclusive and livable world





Challenges for the 21st Century

Smart citizens

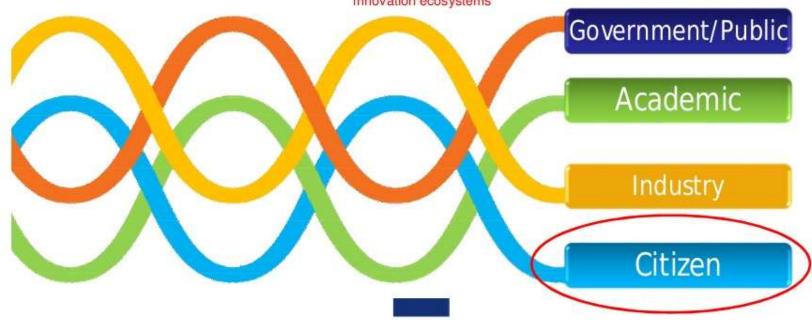
- The education of citizens how to use their city may be more effective with gamification replacing teaching in schools.
- Improvements in quality of life and convenience are more important than technology for the sake of itself.
- Solutions requiring activity from citizens have to care for usability.
- Awareness for environmental effects and cost-saving will be important drivers for applications in smart cities.



Prioritize Quadruple Helix Innovation

Government, Academia, Industry and Citizens collaborating together to drive structural changes far beyond the scope of any one organization could achieve on it's own

Involve all stakeholders in quadruple helix to innovate and experiment in real world settings, in creating frictionless innovation ecosystems







ITS is Co-operative!

Cooperation based on Connecticity for the Citizen



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Thank you for your attention!

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