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Intelligent Transport Systems and Smart Cities

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ERAdiate



The **ERAdiate** Project



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







Project Highlights

- 11 ERA Chairs granted out of 111 applications
- Project volume > 2.5 million € (5 years)
- Contribution to
 - >Excellent research
 - ➤ Enhanced competitiveness
 - ➤ Growth and jobs in line with regional innovation strategies





Tasks of ERA Chair

- Scientific work & publications
- Development of international contacts and cooperation
- Workshop & conference organization
- Outreach to global & regional partners
- Support in ITS deployment
- Cooperation projects with Industry
- Advice to decision makers / Consultancy
- Transfer of best practices (e.g. Electronic Tolling, Smart Cities, ...)





Research Focus

- Cooperative and complex systems
- SMART solutions
 - Smart & Liveable Cities
 - Access
 - Pricing
- Decarbonisation of mobility (eMobility)
- Business models for ITS and ICT
- Inclusive mobility
- Societal effects of ITS deployment





Applied Research

- Decision support (political / commercial)
- Key Performance Indicators & SLAs
- Big Data / Open Data
- Interoperability
- System Architecture
- Roles & responsibilities
- Usability / HMI / distraction
- Data protection and privacy
- Liability issues





Networks

- Managing information & communication
- Supplying electrical energy
- Supplying heat
- Supplying cooling
- Removing waste water
- Price for infrastructure services increases faster than economic growth
- Effective management of the infrastructure
- Behavioral changes of the informed users





Energy

- Sustainability & energy saving
- Decarbonisation
- Avoiding of air pollution
- Smart meters and awareness
- Cost saving
- Electrical networks become bidirectional due to distributed renewable power sources
- Pollution & climate change are becoming visible
- ❖ Electrical vehicles contribute to better air quality in cities and have their CO₂-emissions elsewhere (if any)





Mobility

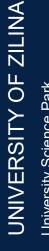
- EU: Compromises on the quality of mobility are not an option
- Inclusive mobility for the informed citizen
- Optimized logistics including last mile transport and removal of waste
- Sustainable Urban Mobility Plans (SUMPs) consider the functional urban area based on a wider urban and territorial strategy
- Cleaner and more sustainable transport modes, such as walking, cycling, public transport
- New patterns for car use and ownership





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





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.
- Each City is unique and shall be livable



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