WELCOME TO TOULOUSE!

I am delighted to welcome the ITS Community to the 14th ITS European Congress in Toulouse from 30 May - 1 June. Smart and sustainable mobility for all is the theme of this year’s European Congress, and it could not have been more aptly chosen considering the challenges that today’s society faces: climate change, declining air quality, and over-population pressures in cities.

I believe the path to finding the solutions we seek lies in making sure we connect the dots: we need to work across the board, ensuring strong linkages and partnerships between all stakeholders in intelligent transport systems—to deliver the smart and sustainable mobility solutions that we require. By offering a space for stakeholders to meet, present and discuss, we can find ways to bridge the gaps in what we need. The ITS Congress is the environment to make this progress happen.

I am really looking forward to meeting many ERTICO Partners participating in the exhibition and the live demonstrations, as well as meeting ITS Congress Sponsors face-to-face. These include Google Cloud, Qualcomm, Michelin, Swarco, UbiTransport, T-Systems and ATEC France. Seeing so many big names in the industry present at this unique event shows great support to the ITS Community, and I can't wait to experience their innovative mobility solutions. ERTICO will have a large stand displaying our ongoing activities (5G-LOGINNOV, 5G META, 5G-MOBIX, SHOW, NAPCORE, MODALES, EAVP, eCharge4Drivers, FENIX, ADASIS, ERTICO ACADEMY and the City Moonshot).

Make sure to visit the ERTICO stand (E11), at any time during the week to discuss smart and sustainable future mobility with the team. I look forward to meeting you all in Toulouse!

Joost Vantomme, CEO, ERTICO – ITS Europe
ITS EUROPEAN CONGRESS 2022: SMART AND SUSTAINABLE MOBILITY FOR ALL

The Intelligent Transport Systems (ITS) European Congress 2022 will be hosted by Toulouse Metropole – in partnership with ERTICO – ITS Europe – and will take place on 30 May – 1 June 2022 at the Exhibition and Conference Centre MEETT, very close to Toulouse Blagnac airport.

The Congress is a unique occasion for all mobility stakeholders to join forces in making smart and sustainable mobility a reality. At this year’s ITS European Congress, in addition to the innovations presented on the Congress stands in the 25,000 square metre of exhibition space the High-Level Programme will include high level speakers from the Commission, industry and senior city officials. The Technical Programme will offer experts from the ITS community the opportunity to present their innovations and share their experience. There will also be live demonstrations outside the MEETT Conference and Exhibition Centre as well as technical visits going on in several industrial sites, in particular, the Francaza and Oncopole areas.

"It is an exciting time to be in the mobility sector. Key priorities such as the digital and green agenda are currently at the heart of European commitment and at the same time essential for moving forward the development of Intelligent Transport Systems.

All stakeholders need to be brought together, and this is exactly the main ambition of the ITS Congresses,' says Lisa Boch-Andersen, Director of Communications, Congresses & Events, ERTICO-ITS Europe.

About the ITS Congresses

Every year, ERTICO organises an ITS regional or World Congress in Europe. The Congresses are the yearly celebration of smart mobility: they underline the importance of Intelligent Transport Systems (ITS), particularly in cities and regions where they are hosted, and are important channels to raise awareness of smart mobility solutions among policy makers, experts and the general public.
IT'S ALL ABOUT GETTING SMARTER

With this year’s motto ‘Smart and Sustainable Mobility for All’, the ITS European Congress is about impactful, innovative technologies that make life and mobility cleaner, safer and more user-friendly.

‘Toulouse is a great multimodal environment to showcase smarter, greener mobility’, says Joost Vantomme, CEO, ERTICO-ITS Europe. ‘This subject is high on the agenda for European institutions and authorities everywhere. Indeed, the first findings of the ERTICO City Moonshot project, published in March 2022, highlight sustainability (air quality & climate change) as the number one issue for the 150 cities interviewed in phase one’.

Clean and Eco-Mobility is one of ERTICO-ITS Europe’s key priority areas. ‘This topic cuts across the Congress programme, including plenary sessions, exhibitors and technical demonstrations, and in areas ranging from electromobility and renewable energy to user engagement’ says Lisa Boch-Andersen, Director of Communications, Congresses & Events, ERTICO-ITS Europe.

At the ITS European Congress, you will be able to join the discussion on policy and research and share best practices around the Congress’s main theme “Smart and Sustainable Mobility for all”.

Within this theme, the Congress will address five key topics:

1. Services for citizens
2. Next generation solutions
3. Green and sustainable mobility
4. From large-scale trials to deployment
5. Cities as Logistics hubs
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An Exciting Programme

The ITS European Congress in Toulouse expects to attract more than 3,000 participants from over 50 countries, featuring more than 100 sessions and workshops. It is a unique opportunity for the European ITS Community to come together, discuss and network to push forward innovation and deliver ‘Smart and Sustainable Mobility for all’ with presentations, demonstrations and a state-of-the-art exhibition all under one roof!

The High-Level Programme of the ITS European Congress has been designed to challenge current thinking while pushing forward new ideas in ITS technologies. European Commissioner for Transport, Adina Vălean will address the ITS Community and Delegates during the Opening Ceremony on 30 May 2022, sharing her thoughts on the Congress theme ‘Smart and Sustainable Mobility for all’. There will also be an array of high-level speakers addressing challenging issues in four very interesting Plenaries throughout Congress week.

In case you missed out on the previous announcement of some of the invited High-Level Speakers, you can view them [here](#).

At the moment, the final programme is still being finalised, but the preliminary programme is already available for you, including most of the details of all the activities and sessions that will take place at the ITS European Congress 2022.

[Click here to view the preliminary programme.](#)
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Exhibition and Start-ups

The ITS European Congress in Toulouse 2022 will welcome innovative exhibitors from across Europe, attracting everyone from the most established, inventive and recognisable companies and key opinion leaders in the mobility sector. Click here to see who you will meet on the exhibition floor.

There will also be a dedicated Start-ups area where Startups will present their ideas to companies and experts. ERTICO – ITS Europe’s Start-up Initiative – offers start-ups the opportunity to benefit from ERTICO’s network of partners and to work with European leaders in smart mobility, connected and automated driving, clean mobility, transport and logistics, and urban mobility. This year, ERTICO is delighted that the EU-Startup Prize will also be present.

All in all, this year’s Congress represents an exciting opportunity for start-ups to plug into the ITS ecosystem, connect with an extensive network of experts in all areas of smart mobility and lay the foundations for their future development.
ABOUT THE HOST

Toulouse, Occitanie region’s capital city is the fourth largest metropolitan area in France by population, and is also the leading city in terms of demographic growth and GDP. A dynamic and attractive European city that offers an excellent quality of life.

Toulouse, as a world leader in aeronautics and European capital for the space sector, has an exceptional ecosystem in transportation of the future, with world-class academic labs such as LAAS-CNRS. Many institutional & structural projects are emerging in Toulouse: Neocampus for the demonstration of autonomous vehicles, Francazal airport for the experimentation of autonomous vehicles and drones, Vilagil, Commute, Urban Air Mobility and many more.

A new generation of artificial intelligence called hybrid AI is developing in Toulouse, in order to provide better guarantees in terms of reliability, robustness and the ability to explain the results of the algorithms used in particular by the intelligent transportation systems. Leading companies in intelligent transportation systems that have chosen ITS Congress Toulouse to participate include Continental, Siemens Mobility, Renault, Actia, NXP, HyperloopTT and Easymile.

Participants in the 2022 ITS European Congress qualify for a 50% discount on a 1, 2 or 3 day Toulouse Tourism pass that includes free public transport, access to museums and many other activities.

Click here for more information on how to explore one of France’s most historic and fascinating cities.
PRACTICAL INFORMATION

Covid measures

The ITS European Congress and its social activities will follow local regulations. Today, masks are not mandatory anymore, but we do encourage everyone to exercise personal responsibility and wear a mask.

Congress App

The 2022 ITS European Congress Event App will be released in the next couple of days. To download the Congress app, simply search for ‘ITS Congress‘ on the App Store or Google Play Store. The App will keep you up-to-date on all Congress activities and events as well as giving you access to the programme, speakers list, exhibitors, demonstrations and technical tours. The App is also an effective networking tool, enabling you to make new contacts in the ITS Community so you can plan your meeting schedule ahead of the event.

Get your tickets today!

Join us in Toulouse for Europe’s largest event entirely dedicated to smart mobility and the digitalisation of transport. Click on the link to register, and don't forget to follow the conversation online with #ITSToulouse2022

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