



Network of National ITS Associations Meeting

Date: 5 June 2015

Location: ERTICO Offices, Brussels

Time: 09.00 - 12.30

Participants

Hermann Meyer, ERTICO - ITS Europe

Didier Gorteman, ERTICO - ITS Europe (for part of the meeting)

Paul Kompfner, ERTICO - ITS Europe (for part of the meeting)

Anna Limbrey, ERTICO - ITS Europe

Rumen Mihaylov, ITS Bulgaria

Per Hedelund, ITS Denmark

Yorgos Stephanedes, ITS Hellas

Norbert Handke, ITS Network Germany

Trond Hovland, ITS Norway

Luc Ampleman, ITS Polska

Florin Nemtanu, ITS Romania

Vladimir Kryuchkov, ITS Russia

Christer Karlsson, ITS Sweden

Ian Bearder, ITS Ukraine

Roman Srp, ITS&S

David Novak, ITS&S

Jennie Martin, ITS (UK)

Lee McClusky, Leader/Chair of COST Action

Fernando Zubillaga, MLC-ITS Euskadi

Johanna Tzanidaki, TomTom

Apologies

Marije de Vreeze, Connekt

Martin Russ, ITS Austria

Sampo Heitanen, ITS Finland

Jean Bergounioux, ATEC ITS France

Agnes Lindenbach, ITS Hungary

Dave O'Keeffe, ITS Ireland

Dainius Diska, ITS Lithuania

Rui Camonlino, ITS Portugal

Robert Rijavec, S-ITS Slovenia

Jure Pirc, S-ITS Slovenia

Miguel Borregón Nofuentes, ITS Spain

Olga Landolfi, TTS Italia

All presentations can be found at the following link:

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Minutes of the meeting

1. Welcome from Network Chairman

The Chairman opened the meeting, welcoming all participants and thanking ERTICO for hosting the meeting. He commented on the very informative Workshop held the previous day in addition to the informal dinner that followed it. He introduced special guests to the meeting, Johanna Tzanidaki, David Novak, Lee McClusky and Ian Bearder. There followed a round table introduction. The Agenda was approved.

2. Introduction of the Traffic Management 2.0 Platform

Dr Tzanidaki gave a presentation on the Platform TM2.0, firstly describing the traditional situation regarding traffic management with road authorities and service providers working separately before explaining traffic management under TM2.0 with road authorities and service providers working together. She then outlined the mission of the Platform and explained some of the elements at work along the value chain of the TM2.0 concept. Dr. Tzanidaki reported on the number of members, the sectors represented and the structure of the governance of TM2.0. She concluded by giving an insight into the workings of the Task Force on viability analysis and recommendations, describing the organisational architecture model including a number of scenarios.

The Chairman thanked Dr Tzanidaki for the presentation and reported that Network members are able to join TM2.0 as associate members at a fee of 500€ per year. The comment was made that the concept being developed by the Platform is definitely going in the right direction. It was suggested that giving advanced information to users e.g. roadwork plans should also be included. Dr Tzanidaki responded that the Platform does aim to give advanced information to the information providers. It was also suggested that this concept could help provide a technological solution to pollution by moving traffic accordingly to reduce pollution and could also vary depending on the type of traffic. Including regions as members of the Platform in addition to other stakeholders was seen to be important in addition to including all forms of transport. Dr Tzanidaki agreed, pointing out that currently the Platform has 8 public authority members out of 22, but regions should also be included. She added that there had been numerous discussions about multi-modality, but it had been decided to start with roads and look at other modes later. A question was raised about the possibilities of adding car sharing to the concept. Dr Tzanidaki agreed that it would be useful to include car sharing to the model.

3. Special Interest Session: Growing demands for complex road infrastructure management

Mr. Novak gave a presentation on complex road infrastructure management in the Czech Republic, firstly asking the question as to whether the ITS and asset management and maintenance people are talking to each other, and outlining the responsibilities of each group. He outlined the different areas of work where they need to communicate including: Network & infrastructure; Meteorology & elements; ITS infrastructure; Asset and pavement management; Maintenance; Safety and security; Traffic trends; Environment and Funding. He then explained each area in more detail.

It was suggested that the most important factor is the role of ITS in road construction. In Germany it is estimated that a 30-40% decrease in congestion could be achieved through intelligent road construction

and that infrastructure management is pivotal for congestion and safety. Mr. Novak added that there are ways of modelling this if enough data is available. Regarding data, the question was raised as to how open data is for other stakeholders to use. Mr. Novak responded that traffic information data is open, however infrastructure data is not as easily accessible.

4. Regional Topic: Possibilities and perspectives of working in the Russian and Euro-Asian ITS market

Mr. Kryuchkov presented the potential opportunities of working in the Russian market. He reported that despite the current political climate in Russia, the transport sector remains unaffected and the policy of building bridges between communities remains strong. In addition, bi-lateral relationships between countries are also very important. He reported that some EU companies have frozen their activities in Russia which is not helpful from a business point of view. He highlighted the importance of exchange of information at meetings and at the Congresses. Mr Kryuchkov then outlined the Euro-Russian alliances between Russia and its neighbouring countries and also the Russia Shanghai cooperation and the historical strong links between Russia and the EU. He outlined a number of large projects where Russian companies need partners including the corridor between the EU and Russia by rail, road and sea and the 2018 FIFA World Cup where 11 cities are currently building new infrastructure. Mr. Kryuchkov proposed using existing relationships to work on projects together and move forward. He mentioned the ITS Conference organised by the Russian Ministry of Transport and ITS Russia which will take place 21-23 April 2016 in Russia to which all regions will be invited. Other events include the ITS Road Safety and Security Conference in September to be held in St. Petersburg, the World Congress in October at which the Russian Minister plans to participate in the Ministerial Round Table. Mr. Kryuchkov proposed organising a reception for global players to learn about opportunities in Russia during the World Congress. He concluded by commenting that Russia is a huge market with many business opportunities and that they are ready to cooperate.

The Chairman thanked Mr. Kryuchkov for his presentation and added that ITS colleagues can benefit from fruitful discussions about potential business opportunities. The question was raised as to the number of EU members within ITS Russia. Mr. Kryuchkov replied that ITS Russia has 40 members with companies participating in local projects including the Russian offices of companies such as Kapsch. The Chairman commented on the need to support open borders and business models where the same services should be available across borders. Mr. Kryuchkov highlighted eCall as a good example of synchronised standards and fully operational services across Russia and Europe. Mr. Meyer commented on the excellent cooperation with eCall resulting in a high degree of harmonisation. He also spoke about the matchmaking opportunities to be taken advantage of at future events. Mr. Hovland stated that he would investigate the connection of Russia with the north of Norway. Mr. Karlsson added that ITS Sweden would also invite ITS Russia to be part of the Nordic Way Project.

5. Report from the Coordination Committee

The Chairman gave the report from the Coordination Committee, firstly informing participants of recent meetings and communication. He stated that he and Mr. Hietanen had recently met and discussed development of Network content. He reported on the recent Coordination Committee meeting as well as TN-ITS meetings and Congress related meetings. He informed participants that Mrs. Martin had resigned from the position of Promotion and Awareness Champion due to increased activities within ITS (UK). He thanked her for her excellent work. In terms of 'Back-office' activities, the Chairman encouraged members to make use of the data storage facilities and to provide content in

terms of news items and photos for the website. The Chairman then outlined current joint projects and stressed the possibility of members putting forward their own ideas to be considered by the Coordination Committee. Regarding presentations during the plenary meetings, he commented on the success of the new format and again encouraged members to come forward with ideas for topics to be presented at future meetings. The next meeting will take place in Norway at the kind invitation of ITS Norway in November. The Chairman then presented the new branding in the form of a flyer, PowerPoint templates as well as document templates and a new website. He also presented the handout prepared by Mr. Hietanen and himself with the help of Mrs. Martin and the questionnaire, both of which can be found on the data storage drive.

In terms of future activities, the Coordinator reported on the status of Coordination Committee members, stating that there are 2 posts up for election this year. Mr. Russ will have served 2 years in August and has stated he is willing to serve another 2 years. Information will be sent out during the summer asking if other candidates wish to put themselves forward. In addition, Mr. Camolino will have served his maximum 4 years in November. Information will be sent out during the autumn requesting candidates. The Chairman added that potential candidates should have the necessary time available to be able to commit to attending meetings in Brussels. Regarding future joint activities, the Chairman proposed organising another joint meeting next year with the Platform TM2.0. Mr. Meyer commented that it would be useful to also inform the final members - send an open invitation to Network members and their members to attend such meetings. Dr Tzanidaki commented that the possibility of organising a joint meeting had already been discussed within TM2.0 and would be very welcome. The Chairman also reported on the possibility of organising a Network event during InterTraffic 2016 and that he was currently negotiating with Ms. De Vreeze as to what format such an event should take. Mrs. Martin added that such an event should also be geared towards the final members. Mr. Gorteman added that the 2016 EU ITS Conference in Glasgow would also provide opportunities for Network members to come together. The Chairman concluded his report by emphasising how the Network can help its members and also how the members can help the Network.

6. ITS Congress Bordeaux - status update

Mr. Gorteman gave an update regarding preparations for the ITS Congress in Bordeaux. He gave an overview of the draft programme and the 7 Congress topics before presenting the programme highlights, including the Ministerial Round Table. Mr. Meyer explained that for both the Ministerial Round Table and the Network meeting due to take place at the Congress, the topic to be discussed will be ITS addressing climate change. A template will be sent to ITS National associations asking them to provide a maximum of 3 success stories relating to ITS addressing climate change. The French Ministry would like to invite ITS Nationals to present some of their success stories at the Ministerial Round Table. There might also be the possibility to link this to COP 21 which will take place in Paris in December which would help put ITS on the map. Mr. Meyer then explained that the host will lead the Ministerial Round Table, and invite the Ministers, though it would be organised in conjunction with ERTICO. The Chairman supported the idea and requested that National ITS Associations be invited to be part of Government delegations. It was suggested that Ministers be informed earlier and a save the date be sent to them much earlier. Mr. Meyer responded that a save the date was sent out a long time ago, however, official invitations still need to be sent. Regarding the success stories, Mr. Meyer highlighted the opportunity to make a real impact as they can be sent to the Ministers in preparation of the Ministerial Round Table. A question was raised as to whether Ministers of Environment would be more relevant to invite rather than Ministers of Transport. Mr. Meyer replied that he would discuss this

with the French Ministry. Mr. Gorteman added that an official request will also be made to invite the National ITS Associations.

Mrs. Martin then presented the proposal to create more value from the Best Papers process. She explained that the 7 highest scoring Papers from each participating country would be sent to the appropriate National ITS Association so that they can select their top 2 Papers to be included in a Best Papers Compendium to be published after the Congress. More information will be sent to the Network regarding this proposal.

Mr. Gorteman outlined the associated events including the 24hours of innovation and hackathon, before presenting the current status of the Exhibition. He requested National Pavilion organisers to provide a list of participants to Mr. Augarde as soon as possible. He then briefly described the demonstrations and technical visits.

The Chairman presented a proposal on National Corners Sessions, 90 minute slots presenting national and regional achievements in ITS and success stories from Europe, America and Asia-Pacific. A set of minimum quality standards will be established to ensure high quality contributions and this will be managed by an evaluation board. Mr. Gorteman added that this proposal would be overseen by a champion within the Network. The Chairman agreed to coordinate the proposal with support from ERTICO.

7. 'Best Practices on ITS Deployment to Reduce CO2 Emissions' - Ministerial Round Table - Paper

This item was presented and discussed under item 6 of the agenda.

8. Proposal for the next meeting of the network

The next meeting will take place in Oslo, **17-18 November 2015** at the kind invitation of ITS Norway. There will be a workshop on the 17th with the plenary meeting on the 18th.

9. Any other business and closing

ITS Ukraine - Mr. Bearder introduced himself and ITS Ukraine. He stated that he has spent much of his time in the Ukraine and has seen a lot of change taking place, providing exciting opportunities. Currently there is no traffic management and a lot of congestion. Problems are not unique and small shoots of ITS are appearing through domestically driven initiatives including travel planners, smart ticketing etc. ITS Ukraine was established one month ago and is currently made up of a small number of members. Mr. Bearder requested help, support and advice from other ITS Nationals. He also expressed interest in cross-border cooperation and solutions for the many ITS challenges within Ukraine.

ITS Romania - Mr. Nemtanu informed the meeting about the ITS Romania conference which will take place 21-22 October 2015 as well as the establishment of 2 new working groups on Urban ITS and ITS for motorways which are open to participation from other members.

ITS Observatory - Mr. Kompfner introduced the ITS Observatory, a recently launched project to create a database of what ITS is deployed and where in Europe it is deployed. Impacts, costs, benefits and other information relating to studies and implementation will be contained within the database. Mr. Kompfner requested help in refining the user requirements - both provider users and consumer users in

addition to contact details. It will also provide a directory of who's who in ITS in Europe and can thus be used as a marketing tool by operators and suppliers. It will also continue beyond the life of the project. The ITS Network is part of the advisory group and there will be some budget available to help with data collection. Further information will be sent out regarding this project and Network involvement in it.

The Chairman thanked everyone for attending the meeting and wished them all a safe trip home before closing the meeting.

Action Points

ACTION	PERSON RESPONSIBLE	DATE
1. Information to be sent re CC positions	AL	July and September
2. Send success story template to Network members	HM/AL	ASAP
3. Request to invite ITS Associations to be part of Government delegations to Ministerial Round Table	DG/AL	ASAP
4. Send further info regarding Best Papers	DG/AL	ASAP
5. Send further info regarding the ITS Observatory	PK/AL	ASAP