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Researching autonomous driving in Germany

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The High-Tech Strategy (HTS) 2025...

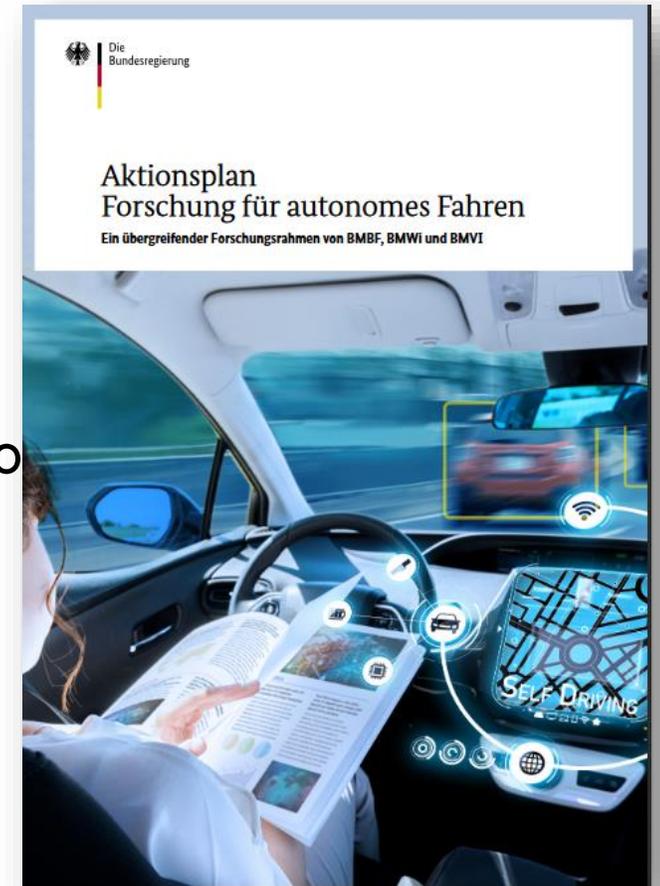
- ...defines objectives and milestones of the German Innovation and Research policy.
- ...focuses on the people.
- ...is implemented in **close cooperation with all ministries**; furthermore enhanced cross-sectoral activities
- ... underpins the goal to increase R&D expenditure to 3.5 %.
- Financial umbrella: more than 15 billions Euros in 2018
- ...strengthens science, industry and SME by innovation-friendly frameworks and conditions.
- ...considers **mobility of the future as an integrated system and a driver for technology**
- **Research on safe, connected and clean mobility** is one of the crucial areas of action of HTS 2025.



German Action Plan for Research on Autonomous Driving - Objectives



- Autonomous driving has to be safe and secure.
- Autonomous driving has to be efficient, sustainable, climate-friendly, accessible and affordable. It has to optimally answer to the needs of citizens.
- Research intensive key technologies and competencies, as e.g. AI, have to be strengthened in order to sustain the position of Germany within the global automobile industry.



German Action Plan for Research on Autonomous Driving - Focusses



- Federal Ministry of Education and Research
electronics and sensors, AI and software technologies for autonomous vehicles, IT-security, technologies for human-machine-interaction
- Federal Ministry for Economic Affairs and Energy
systemic aspects of means of transport, safety of autonomous driving systems, data fusion and data processing, testing and validation
- Federal Ministry of Transport and Digital Infrastructure
infrastructure, traffic organization and management, societal aspects, testing



German Action Plan for Research on Autonomous Driving - Governance

Cross-ministerial steering committee for automated driving policy (Ressortrunde)

regular exchange and discussion between Ministries

Participating institutions: BMBF, BMWi, BMVI, BMI, BMJV

Expert committee on research for autonomous driving (Dialogforum)

Discussion between
BMBF, BMWi, BMVI and
representatives of academia and
industry

National conference on research and technology for autonomous driving

Platform for exchange between
publically funded R&D projects

Discussion of research &
technology trends

Japanese-German research co- operation on connected and automated driving

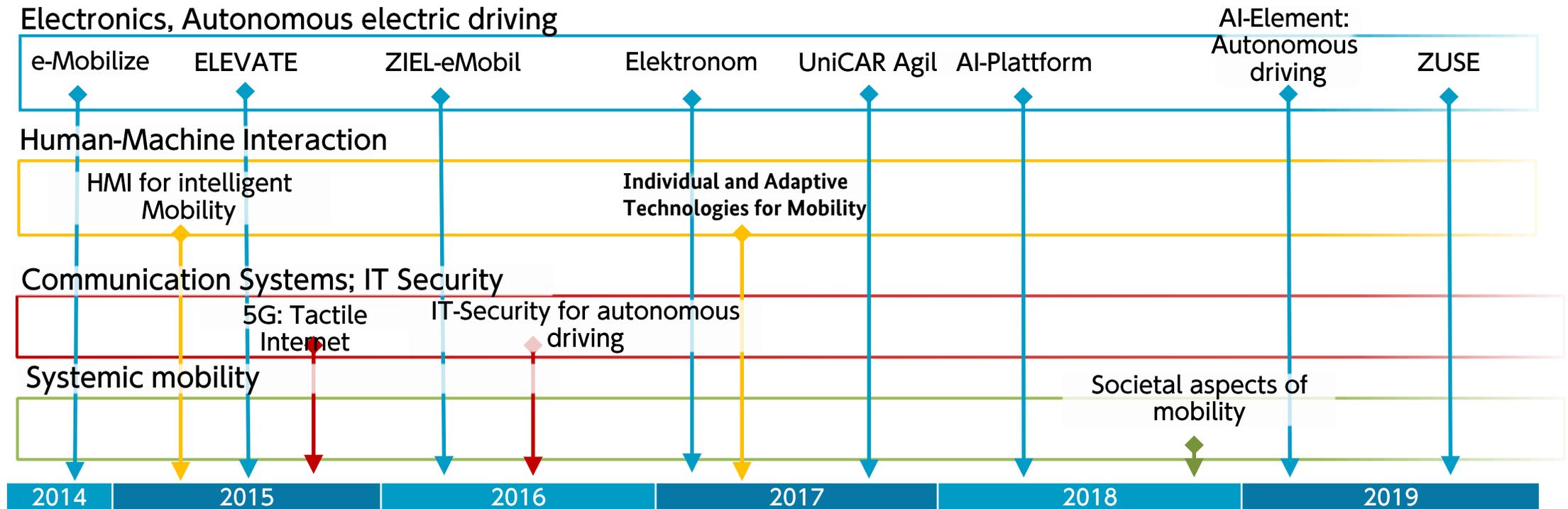
Exchange on government level
for research funding

Participating institutions: BMBF,
BMWi, CAO (Japan)

BMBF – Research Agenda “Autonomous Driving”

Funding of application-oriented research in electronics, artificial intelligence, human-machine-interaction, communication systems, IT security and systemic mobility

Since 2014: ~150 Mio. €



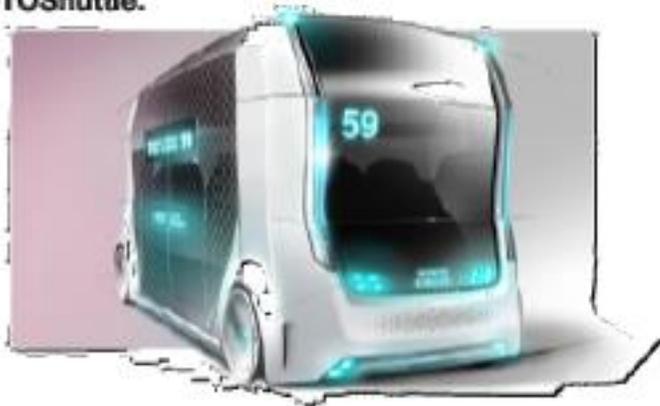


Disruptive Modular Architecture for Agile, Automated Vehicle Concepts (UNICARagil)

001 Städtebus
AUTOEffe.



002 Shuttlebus
AUTOShuttle.



- University driven research project on fully automated, driverless, electric vehicles
- modular and scalable vehicle concept
- expandable and updateable software and hardware architecture
- generic sensor modules for environment detection

Project details:

- Total BMBF funding 26 Mio. €
- 01.02.2018 - 31.01.2022

Partners:

13 partners coordinated by RWTH Aachen

www.unicaragil.de

Center for European Research on Mobility (CERMcity) – urban test environment for CAD

- Simulation of complex urban intersections
- Connectivity (4G and 5G, sat. nav. V2X through WLAN 802.11p)
- Full testing chain through driving simulator, test vehicle and testing ground
- Usage by industry and SMEs possible

Project details:

- Total budget 4 Mio. € (83% BMBF-funded)
- Scheduled for completion in 2019
- 3 partners and 3 associated partners coordinated by RWTH Aachen

www.futuremobilitycenter.de



Strategic International Cooperation

Japanese-German Research Co-operation on
Connected and Automated Driving

CADJapanGermany: Societal Impact Assessment

- CAD market forecast and diffusion projections
- Societal acceptance and impact on society and industry

CADJapanGermany: Human Factors

- Communication between AVs and other road users
- Education and training for drivers
- Drivers' interaction with automated systems

Discussion of further project ideas in the fields
Modelling, Simulation, Validation and
Cybersecurity

and further...

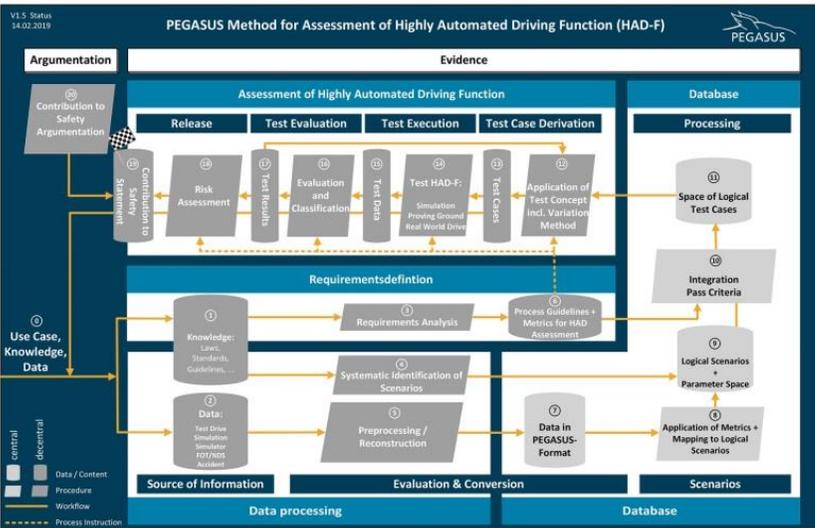


ECSEL Joint Undertaking
Electronic Components and Systems for European Leadership



BMWi - The Evolution of PEGASUS

 <https://www.pegasusprojekt.de/en>



The diagram illustrates the PEGASUS Method for Assessment of Highly Automated Driving Function (HAD-F). It is structured into several layers and components:

- Argumentation:** Includes 'Contribution to Safety Argumentation' and 'Contribution to Safety Argumentation'.
- Evidence:** The core of the method, divided into 'Assessment of Highly Automated Driving Function' and 'Database'.
 - Assessment of Highly Automated Driving Function:** A flowchart showing 'Release' leading to 'Test Evaluation', 'Test Execution', and 'Test Case Derivation'. 'Test Evaluation' includes 'Risk Assessment', 'Evaluation and Classification', and 'Test Results'. 'Test Execution' includes 'Test HAD-F: Simulation (Pilot/Observer/Real World Drive)' and 'Test Data'. 'Test Case Derivation' includes 'Application of Test Concepts incl. Variation Method'.
 - Database:** Includes 'Processing' (Space of Logical Test Cases, Integration Pass Criteria, Logical Scenarios + Parameter Space, Application of Metrics + Mapping to Logical Scenarios) and 'Scenarios' (Data in PEGASUS-Format).
- Requirementsdefinition:** Includes 'Requirements Analysis' and 'Process Guidelines + Metrics for HAD Assessment'.
- Source of Information:** Includes 'Knowledge: Laws, Standards, Guidelines' and 'Data: Test Case Simulation, RT/Real-World'.
- Data processing:** Includes 'Systematic Identification of Scenarios' and 'Preprocessing / Reconstruction'.
- Evaluation & Conversion:** A central hub connecting various stages.

01/2016 – 06/2019, 17 Partners, Vol. 35 Mio. €
Basic methodological framework
Focus: Level 3 on highways

 PROJECTS OF THE PEGASUS FAMILY



SET Level 4to5 provides a simulation platform, toolchains and definitions for simulation-based testing of L4/5 automation in urban environments

03/2019 – 08/2022, 20 Partners, Vol. 30 Mio. €



VW Methods develops methods, toolchains and specifications for technical assurance of L 4/5 automation in urban environments

07/2019 – 06/2023, 23 Partners, Vol. 47 Mio. €

+ future projects of the PEGASUS Family....

2016 →

2019 →

BMVI - automated and connected driving in road traffic

Current call for projects on “future-proof and sustainable mobility system with automated and connected vehicles” (2019-2021)

- High automation levels, interfaces to other transport modes in complex applications, use of artificial intelligence
- Funding: 53 Mio. Euro



Proactive Video-Based Use of Telecommunication Technologies in Innovative Highway-Scenarios

- Enable comprehensive anticipatory view also in bad-weather-conditions
- V2I and I2V communication, digital twin in backend
- Funding: 6 Mio. Euro

www.testfeld-a9.de

Future research areas for autonomous driving for BMBF

Decisive elements for implementation of autonomous driving are:

- a) Functional and operational safety and reliability
 - Validation of AI functionalities
 - Trustworthy electronics hardware

- b) Energy efficient data processing and computing in the vehicle:
 - Electronics for high performance and low-energy data processing inside the car



Autonomous driving will be one focus in the new framework programme for trustworthy electronics.



Further information

Federal Ministry of Education and Research
www.bmbf.de

Research on Microelectronics
www.elektronikforschung.de

Funding of small and medium-sized enterprises (SMEs)
<https://www.bmbf.de/de/mittelstand-3133.html> und www.kmu-innovativ.de

Programme to promote young scientists
<https://www.elektronikforschung.de/nachwuchsfoerderung>

Research Fab Microelectronics Germany (FMD)
www.forschungsfabrik-mikroelektronik.de

Federal Ministry of Transport and Digital
Infrastructure
www.bmvi.de

Federal Ministry for Economic Affairs and Energy
www.bmwi.de



Thank you for your attention!

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