

#### Automated road transport systems in European cities

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### CityMobil2

- EC funded research project
- Main goal: Remove the barriers to the deployment of fully automated urban road mobility
  - 45 partners
    - 12 cities
    - 5 Automated Road Transport Systems manufacturers,
  - 15 M€ budget,
  - 9.5 M€ EC funding, FP7

– 48 months duration (2012-2016)



#### **Complementing and integrating mass transits**





# Some figures to explain why driverless for last mile

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	60-100		use	ed often	used little		automated minibus		omated car
	passenge	er bus	cha	hanged		inged	current prices		luced price
Cost of a vehicle	€ 200,0	00.00	€	30,000.00	€	18,000.00	€ 100,000.00	€	30,000.00
km per year		90000		40000		10000	25000		25000
occupancy rate (low)		5		1.2		1.3	0.65		0.65
occupancy rate (high)		25		1.2		1.3	3.5		1.4
Total cost per km	€	2.12	€	1.47	€	4.94	€ 0.72	€	0.27
Total cost per sit per km	€	0.03	€	0.29	€	1.24	€ 0.07	€	0.07
Cost per km excluding driver	€	1.12	€	0.34	€	0.44	€ 0.72	€	0.27
Cost per km per pax (low occ.)	€	0.42	€	0.28	€	0.34	€ 1.11	€	0.42
Cost per km per pax (high occ.)	€	0.08	€	0.28	€	0.34	€ 0.21	€	0.19



## Main research aspects addressed by CityMobil2

- Legal aspects lack of a legal framework
- Implementation of real systems in cities
  - Many cities want to be second but none first
  - 2 fleets of 6 10-passengers vehicles each selected
  - 7 ground breaking city demonstrations and 3 showcases are being implemented
- Socio-economic effects of vehicle automation



### **CityMobil2 up to date calendar**

- 2014 summer small demo Oristano (IT)
  - completed
- 2014 September showcase in Leon (ES)
  - completed
- 2014-15 winter and spring large demo in Lausanne (CH)
  - about to start
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- 2015 summer small demo in Vantaa (FI)
- 2015 September showcase in Milan (IT)
- 2015 September showcase in CERN (Geneva-CH)
- 2015 October showcase at ITSWC (Bordeaux FR) TBC
- 2015-16 summer, autumn and winter large demo Trikala (EL)
- 2016 timing to be confirmed small demo San Sebastian (ES)
- 2016 timing to be confirmed small demo Sophia Antipolis (FR)



#### First demo in Oristano completed

#### **Panorama of Torre Grande beach**





#### **Demonstrator route**

- Seaside resort of "Torregrande"
- Pedestrian only waterfront promenade
- Alternate one-way ARTS lane with crossing point at stop 4
- Total line length: 2560 m

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Number of stops: 7; avg. distance 215m



Oristano

8 km

#### Legal status

- Site: being the site of the demonstrator a pedestrian area, a deliberation by the commander of the Local Police is sufficient to start the demonstrator.
- Vehicles: the vehicles are not certified to run on public roads; they have a "test" license plate for research and testing purposes
- Passengers registered as "testers" in order to be allowed onboard. Minors were allowed but had to be registered by a parent or a guardian.















#### The news video of the demo



#### **Research work to do on Oristano results**

- Analysing data from the collected questionnaires to assess user reaction
- Analysing recored data from the vehicles to measure performances

Analysing dat from cameras to assess non-user reactions



#### **Initial statistics**

<ul> <li>Operating days:</li> </ul>	38
<ul> <li>Vehicle trips:</li> </ul>	837
<ul> <li>Vehicle trips per day:</li> </ul>	22
<ul> <li>Total distance covered:</li> </ul>	1100 km
<ul> <li>Registered testers:</li> </ul>	1600
<ul> <li>Total number of passenger trips:</li> </ul>	3000
<ul> <li>Average daily passenger trips:</li> </ul>	79
<ul> <li>Average vehicle occupancy:</li> </ul>	3.5 (35%)
<ul> <li>Peak number of passenger trips in or</li> </ul>	ne day: 188 (31/7)
<ul> <li>Filled tester questionnaires:</li> </ul>	330
<ul> <li>Average commercial speed: depending on pedestrian density</li> </ul>	5.5-8 km/h



# Business case reflections induced by Oristano early results

- With
  - 6.5 km/h average speed,
  - 5 days a week and 8 hours a day operations and
  - 35% occupancy rate
- the yearly mileage goes down to 13500 km/year and
- the cost per passenger kilometre goes up to 0.37 €/pkm
- No longer competing with private cars (0.28-0.34 €/pkm)
- Without even considering ARTS management costs and company profit



## Which solution for ARTS business?

- With
  - 14.5 km/h average commercial speed,
  - Oristano operating times and
  - 35% occupancy rate
- the yearly mileage goes up to 30000 km/year and
- the cost per passenger kilometre down to 0.17 €/pkm
- Beating private cars (0.28-0.34 €/pkm) even with a 60% overhead to manage ARTS and have some company profits



### Where then to demonstrate ARTS profitably?

- In California
  - where ARTS can be legal
- On a site where transport demand allows
  - 10 passenger vehicles and
  - 35% occupancy rate
  - and where infrastructures would allow 14.5 km/h commercial speed.
- Does a site like that exist?





## Thank you for listening



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#### **Technical issues**

- Vehicles not equipped with lifting board and retention systems for wheelchairs
- Trees canopies limit GPS signal which is occasionally lost and required human intervention
- Mixed pedestrian traffic requires lower speed than forecasted
- Service & delivery vehicles occasionally occupy ARTS lane and require human intervention



#### **Good points**

- Media coverage above expectations
- Great curiosity and participation of local population
- Great involvement and enthusiams of bus drivers as onboard "supervisors"
- Appreciated service to the elderly and the disabled
- Presence of ARTS on the boulevard generally accepted and tolerated, despite pre-demo criticism
- Enrolement of "testers" above expectations



#### **Robosoft's vehicle (final design)**







#### LIGIERS's VIPA II (final design)





#### **CityMobil2 WBS and phases**





#### Levels of automation and how to get there





## **Road classification (TRB' HCM)**

Road class	F	E	D	С	В	А
	Walkway	Collector street	Urban street	Arterial road	Highway	Freeway
Driveway/access density	-	Very high	High	Moderate	Very low	Very low
Parking	-	Significant	Significant	Some	No	No
Separate left-turn	-	No	Some	Usually	Yes	No
lanes						
Signals/km	-	6-10	4-8	2-6	0.3-1.2	-
Speed limit	0	15-40	40-55	55-80	70-100	100-130
(km/h)						
Pedestrian	Very	Important	Usually	Some	Very little	No
activity	Important					
Roadside	Very high	Very high	High density	Medium to	Low density	Very low
development	density	density		moderate		density
				density		

### **Road classification applicable to CityMobil2**

Road class	F	E	D	С	В	Α
Belgium		20/30	50	70	90	120
Spain			50	70	80/90/100	100/120
Finland			50		80	100 / 120
France		30	50	70 / 80	80 / 90	100/110/ 130
Greece			50		70 / 90	90/110/120
Italy			50	70	90	110 / 130
Switzerland		20/30	50	60 / 70	80	100/120

Scenarios analyzed for the CityMobil2 demonstrations



#### **Infrastructure delimitation elements**

Level	Elements	Category		
0	No segregation	Shared		
1	Horizontal marking			
2	Guidance paving			
3	Differentiated lane paving			
4	Lane delimiter			
5	Surmountable curb	Dedicated		
6	Walkways (sidewalks)	Dedicated		
7	Traffic median			
8	Discontinuous urban furniture: Flower box / Trash can			
9	Discontinuous barriers: Bollards / Delimiter			
10	Continuous soft barriers: Vegetation			
11	Continuous barriers: Balustrade / Boundary barrier			
12	Continuous barriers: Pedestrian protection barrier	Segregated		
13	Carriageway divider			



# **Delimitation elements (example for dedicated lanes)**

**4 - Lane delimiter:** Fixed plastic or rubber element, solidly anchored to the ground with the objective of separating two motor vehicle streams or to delimit a dedicated lane. It must be surmountable, which is only allowed in case of emergency.





# **Delimitation elements (example for segregated lanes)**

**7 - Traffic median:** Longitudinal area of the road not suitable for vehicle flow, whose function is to separate vehicular flows. Due to its function, it is not accessible except in case of emergency.





#### **Delimitation applicable to CM2 scenarios**

Road class		С			D				E				F		
		Arterial road			Urban street				Collector street				Walkway		
Roa	ad user	Pedestrians	Cyclists	Motorcyclists	Motor vehicle drivers	Pedestrians	Cyclists	Motorcyclists	Motor vehicle drivers	Pedestrians	Cyclists	Motorcyclists	Motor vehicle drivers	Pedestrians	Cyclists
0	Shared														
1	Dedicated					٠	•			•	٠	٠	•	•	•
2	Segregated	•	•	•	•		•	•	•			٠	•		



CityNetMobil Presentation

To better explain the work done let's look at what others do: Nissan autonomous emergency steer

> A cool bit of technology But is it safer than manual driving? **Can this bocome the** standard requirement for **ARTSs?**



#### What would happen in this situation?

# The only safe manouver is to slow down before!!!



#### **CityMobil2** approach: ARTS safe integration (collector street)





3,50

0,50

≥ 3,00

0.50

#### What to detect when approaching intersections from the vehicles or communicating with the infrastructure



#### Integration scenarios (road section drawings)

- 12 ARTS segregated/dedicated scenarios
- 4 crossing scenarios
- 5 driveway scenarios



# Two contiguous but independent infrastructures

- ARTS have dedicated or segregated lanes
  - Intersections with manually driven vehicles are possible (always with traffic lights and road-side sensors that control respect of lights)
  - Access to manually driven vehicles possible (if they respect specific regulations)
  - Pedestrians and cyclists access possible
- Manually driven vehicles lanes are not accessible to ARTS vehicles



#### **Proposals for two separate regulations**

- Regulates the technical procedure for certification of ARTS (infrastructure, vehicles and all subsystems)
- 2. Regulates the civil and criminal liability for ARTS' manufacturers and operators, and for manually driven vehicles using ARTS lanes



#### **Principles of the Technical Directive**

- Based on EN50126's vehicle and infrastructure certification through a risk assessment
- Takes advantage of "Type approval" on motor vehicles Directives
  - Based on modular Use cases: specific interaction situations between ARTS, infrastructure, road users and surrounding environment
  - A certified use case doesn't require another certification if the same conditions repeat





#### Step 1: Project approach





#### **Step 2: Preliminary hazard risks**



#### Step 3: FMECA and system design

#### **Step 4: Verification of system safety/functionality**





# **Step 5: Operational description Step 6: Verification of operational preparation**



# Step 7: Approval design/operational safety cases Step 8: Operational testing



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