



NEWS FROM BRUSSELS, VOL. 3 – MAY 2019

Hello again from Brussels!

This is my last newsletter before the summer holiday, about EU legislation and relevant news from UITP (The International Association of Public Transport).

EU legislation

The EU elections have – as you all know – taken place this weekend. As the Parliament has been in recess since 19 April, there has since my last newsletter been little development on the Parliament side in the various legislation processes.

However, the European Council has been working on the **recast of the Rail Passengers' Rights Regulation**. The Parliament adopted a first reading in November 2018 that would lead to a higher burden on railway operators with new obligations regarding, among other things, through-tickets, compensations and bicycles on board. The Presidency of the Council has now concluded that a number of practical details still need to be examined in the light of the reality in the sector and adequate protection of rail passengers. A final agreement is therefore not to be expected for quite a while, and work on the content will continue.

News from UITP

Pilot open for Nordic participation

UITP is coordinating a project proposal under the Shift2Rail Programme, for a pilot in a rural area for travellers/commuters to do car-sharing to and from the rail station, instead of driving individually. The ride-sharing platform is already developed, and several other countries are participating. The aim of the project is more knowledge – namely to identify what factors influence and motivate the travellers to change their behaviour.

If a Nordic local community/municipality or a public transport authority wants to participate and host such a demo, UITP wants to get in touch – as soon as possible, as the application deadline is 18 June! Please email me if you want more info, and/or to get in touch with the project coordinator.



GECKO seeks new mobility solution stakeholders

The EU Horizon2020 funded project GECKO, coordinated by UITP, aims to support authorities with tools and recommendations in developing the best regulatory framework and governance model for new disruptive mobility solutions. GECKO involves stakeholders from across Europe (and beyond) who have experience with new mobility solutions, Mobility as a Service, on-demand sharing services and/or data applications and digitalisation.

GECKO is now composing a list of stakeholders that can participate in workshops, focus groups, interviews, etc. They are looking for stakeholders who are facing (or have experienced) the challenges of introducing innovative/ disruptive mobility solutions. More info: <http://h2020-gecko.eu/approach/stakeholder-engagement>

To register: https://qeurope.eu.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_cTiqJJVozeoMhDf

Shift2MaaS website now online

The UITP supported research project Shift2MaaS has launched its own website. Shift2MaaS supports the uptake of technologies developed in the Innovation Programme 4 (IP4) within the context of Mobility as a Service. Shift2MaaS will demonstrate the benefits through pilots on shared mobility and seamless travels, conducted on three different demonstration sites in Europe.

You can follow the results here: <http://www.shift2maas.eu/>

Not a UITP member yet?

As a UITP member, you can share knowledge with a network of more than 200 public transport

authorities worldwide. Read more at <https://www.uitp.org/membership-benefits> or contact Camille Roy in UITP: camille.roy@uitp.org

Come to the Global Summit

The UITPs Global Public Transport Summit is just around the corner, in Stockholm on 9-12 June. This is the world's biggest public transport conference and exhibition. There is still time to sign up! Full programme: <https://uitpsummit.org/programme/>



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Best regards,
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