

## Challenging Trends for European Transport Policy

Brussels, June 13<sup>th</sup> 2012



## ASSIST - ASsessing the Social and economic Impacts of past and future Sustainable Transport policy in Europe

### Background

The workshop is organised by the ASSIST project, which is co-funded by the European Commission DG MOVE, 7<sup>th</sup> Research Framework Programme (FP7) and coordinated by Fraunhofer-ISI in collaboration with five European partners.

The ASSIST project aims at providing the EU with **sound policy advice on possible social and economic impacts of future sustainable transport policies** and how such policies could potentially contribute to achieve the strategic objectives of the EU. To this end the project is developing the **Handbook of social and economic impacts of sustainable transport policy** to support impact assessments undertaken by the EC.

### Objective of the workshop

Europe is facing several future challenges amongst others growing and volatile fossil energy prices, climate change, ageing or the debt crisis. Such challenges may require to develop new transport policies or to adapt existing ones. The objective of this workshop is to discuss about future challenges and their implications for the social and economic effects of transport policies.

### Organisation of the workshop

The workshop is organised as an introductory plenary session and three parallel sessions to provide sufficient time for discussions, questions and feedback. It is free of charge, but participants are kindly requested to register. The number of participants is limited and registrations are considered on a first come-first served principle.





Dear Sir/Madam,

We are pleased to invite you to the ASSIST Workshop on '*Challenging Trends for European Transport Policy*' to be held in Brussels on June 13<sup>th</sup> 2012. Further information about the ASSIST project can be found at <http://www.assist-project.eu>.

This will be the 2<sup>nd</sup> workshop of ASSIST. A first workshop on '*Analytic approach and findings on the social and economic impacts of sustainable transport policy*' was held in Utrecht. Findings are reported at <http://www.assist-project.eu/assist-project-en/events/event/workshop-1.php>.

In preparing this workshop the ASSIST project scanned the foresight studies literature and identified dozens of changing trends, potential trend breaks and emerging challenges for policy-making, some of them only emerging in the last few months. However, not all of them will cause an impact on the outcome of sustainable transport policies. Therefore we suggest to discuss transport policy implications concerning three broad themes:

- Demography and economy (ageing, migration, urbanisation, labour force, debt).
- Environment and technology (GHG red., efficiency, energy security, adaptation, debt).
- ICT and social media (societal change, changing mobility behaviour/concepts).

We look forward to receiving your registration by **May 25<sup>th</sup> 2012**. Please register via email at: [workshop@nea.nl](mailto:workshop@nea.nl). Attendance to the workshop is **free of charge**. Travel and accommodation would be for your own account. If you have any further questions, please do not hesitate to contact us.

With best regards,

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## WORKSHOP AGENDA:

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<b>09:30 – 10:00</b>	<b>Registration</b>	
10:00 – 10:10	ASSIST approach & purpose of the workshop	Dr. Wolfgang Schade Fraunhofer-ISI
10.10 – 10:30	Trends in EU transport policy	Peter Szatmari European Commission
	<b>Examples of challenging trends for transport at Member States level</b>	
10:30 – 10:40	Financial debt in France	Prof. Yves Crozet LET, University of Lyon
10:40 – 10:50	Ageing and energy/climate policy in Germany	Dr. Wolfgang Schade Fraunhofer-ISI
10:50 – 11:10	Future challenges – a holistic perspective from ASSIST	Dr. Jan Kiel NEA
11:10 – 11:30	Plenary discussion	All
11:30 – 12:00	<i>Coffee break</i>	
	<b>Parallel sessions on:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Demography and economy</li> <li>• Environment and technology</li> <li>• ICT and social media</li> </ul>	
12:00 – 13:00	First round of parallel sessions	All
13:00 – 14:00	<i>Lunch break</i>	
14:00 – 14:45	Second round of parallel sessions	All
14:45 – 15:30	Third round of parallel sessions	All
15:30 – 15:45	<i>Coffee break</i>	
15:45 – 16:15	Summary of the parallel sessions – final discussion	All, rapporteurs
<b>16.15 – 16.30</b>	<b>Closing Remarks</b>	<b>EC, ASSIST</b>

**Venue: MCE - Management Center Europe, Rue de l'Aqueduc 118, Brussels**



## Organisational details of the workshop

### Timing

June 13<sup>th</sup> 2012: 09:30 to 16:30

### Venue

MCE - Management Center Europe,  
Rue de l'Aqueduc 118, 1050 Brussels

### Registration

Please register with your details at Ms. Hedi Maurer at NEA. As seats are limited registrations will be considered on a first come-first served principle. Registration could be via **fax: +31 79 322 23 8** or via **email: [workshop@nea.nl](mailto:workshop@nea.nl)**. Please, use subject code **ASSIST 2<sup>nd</sup> Workshop** and provide:

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