The Choices to be Made

How to co-ordinate the many private and public actors (road owners, public transport authorities, operators and others) that represent the different transport modes (cars, buses, rails, trams, bicycling, walking)?

How to achieve co-ordination in the area of city logistics where management is even more dispersed, involving numerous senders and receivers as well as transport service providers?

How to ensure that decision making on the urban mobility goals will gain support from citizens?

How to implement solutions without creating negative effects on social or economic aspects of the city, while respecting each city’s specific historic, geographic, political and cultural context?

The Choices to be Made

How to work with – not against – the different national definitions of HSR?

How to balance the pursuit of speed with the quality and range of off- and on-board services?

How to build appropriate infrastructure in times of scarce public funds?

What are the roles (and the limits) of inter- and intra-modal co-operation and competition?

How to overcome resistance against the implementation of a European information, signalisation, payment and management system?

How to accelerate public and political decision making processes?

The Choices to be Made

How to realispe appropriate infrastructure (e.g. trans-European networks and intermodal hubs) without undue delay?

How to finance new investments in times of scarce public funds?

How to increase rail freight capacity whilst tripling the high-speed rail network by 2050?

How to maximise the effectiveness of existing funds and how to decide on priorities?

Should and can parts of the infrastructure budget be reallocated from roads to rail and waterborne transport?

What is the best balance between pull and push measures (including the ‘user pays’ principle)?

The Choices to be Made

Who should have access to what kind of data under what conditions at which costs (if any)?

How to balance data ownership with the ideal of whole-system effectiveness?

How to safeguard individuals’ privacy?

To what degree can open data initiatives be integrated?

How to ensure co-operation among stakeholders?

What legal frameworks are needed for clear solutions on ownership, liability etc.?

What are success criteria of a Europe-wide data standard?

How to ensure that today’s investments will reap benefits in the long-term?

How to build effective interfaces between existing systems?

High-Speed Rail Until 2050

Will most medium-distance passengers use rail (rather than planes)?

How to phase-out conventionally-fuelled vehicles? Can we achieve essentially CO₂-free city logistics?

Freight Until 2050

How to shift 50% of road freight over 300 km to rail or waterborne transport?

Urban Mobility Until 2050

How to increase rail freight capacity while maintaining a dense railway network in all EU Member States.

How to liberalise the transport sector by opening all modes of passenger traffic to competition.

Intelligent Transport Systems Until 2020

Towards a European multimodal transport information, management and payment system!
In 2011 the European Commission issued the White Paper “Roadmap to a Single European Transport Area – Towards a competitive and resource efficient transport system.” It spells out ten goals to be achieved at the latest by 2050.

The independent TRANSFORUM project contributes to this transformation of the European Transport System, in particular to the implementation of four key goals of the Transport White Paper:

- engages key stakeholders in 11 events, online discussions and personal conversations.
- collects stakeholders’ views about the most relevant policies, trends, funding opportunities, win-win potentials, barriers, actors and best next steps.
- ensures a fair and transparent dialogue.
- will result in
  - roadmaps to show feasible pathways,
  - recommendations for concrete action by policy makers, industry, NGOs etc.,
  - a strategic outlook beyond 2030.
- needs your input! Please contact us if you have views about the transformation of the European Transport System.

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