



The 45th European Transport Conference

Annual Conference of the Association for European Transport



Early Booking Information



04-06 October 2017: Casa Convalescència, Barcelona, Spain

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Why attend the European Transport Conference?

Benefits of attending...

First-class speakers & research sessions

Each year the conference presents the opportunity to interact with a range of speakers across the Transport Industry. This year, plenary speakers will include Francesc Muñoz, Director Observatori de la Urbanització, Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona who will present on the topic of Olympic Urbanism.

Research sessions are also a hugely important element of the conference. Its reputation has been built on this interface and knowledge transfer between research, policy and practice. Where applicable, speakers are asked to draw out the policy implications of research and not concentrate solely on the design and operation of a model. Equally, practitioners and policy makers are encouraged to relate their presentations to the research behind the implementation of schemes and policies.

The conference takes an open, participative approach to its programme. Members who join the programme committees can vote to shape the contents of the conference itself, allowing it to adapt to the needs of the attendees. Each year the conference looks to recruit a more diverse, inclusive and representative Europe-wide membership, to ensure it remains relevant to the important transport issues of the day and reflects the needs of the current members.

Networking with international colleagues

The conference provides an excellent opportunity for all participants to engage with transport experts from around the world and become part of a specialist community. Attendance at ETC allows different groups to pose questions to fellow professionals and to assess what is possible within their community.

Conference programme

Delegates are able to download the conference programme from the website and will be provided with a conference guide at the conference. On-line access to papers is provided to delegates prior to the conference.

Digital archive

All conference papers, dating from 1996, are archived on the [ETC Proceedings website](#), where they can be

downloaded easily and permanently for the international transport community.

Publication of papers

After the conference, selected peer reviewed papers will be published in an online open access journal which provides further dissemination of papers to a wider international audience. These will be published in Transportation Research PROCEDIA.

Open access

The organisers of ETC - The Association of European Transport - believe that research papers being published openly online will help future progress in transport, environmental and technical areas. Further links with peer-reviewed journals are being planned to increase the availability and exposure of research presented at the conference.

Coverage of major themes

Programme Committees have their own identifiable programmes in the conference but also contribute papers and sessions to major themes. This year, the major themes running throughout ETC 2017 are:

- › Mobility as a Service
- › Automated and driverless vehicles
- › Value of Time
- › National Travel Surveys
- › Large-scale models
- › Cities of the future - ageing populations; car-free; pollution
- › Resilience of cities

Who should attend?

- › Policy-makers, transport planners and engineers from central and local government
- › Providers of technical advice and consultancy
- › Researchers, lecturers and students from universities, institutes and research bodies
- › Analysts and advisers from banking and investment houses
- › Environmentalists and lobbyists





ETC 2017: What can you expect?

The conference attracts transport practitioners and researchers from all over Europe where they can find in-depth presentations on policy issues, best practice and research findings across the broad spectrum of transport.

The range of topics and the multi-seminar approach makes ETC unique among transport conferences and it is well established as the premier event of its type. The conference programme covers supranational issues, national and local policy and the implementation of projects at a local level.

The conference presents a great opportunity for networking and forming career-spanning professional relationships. Although sessions at the Conference can be challenging in discussing matters of policy at the highest level, they can also provide good, basic education and training opportunities – it is truly a conference for all ages and all levels of experience.

As transport practitioners and researchers throughout Europe respond to the challenges of economic growth, social change, demographics and the need to become more sustainable, the European Transport Conference provides a forum for the presentation of, and discussion on, robust and affordable responses.

Format of the conference

The conference will be held over three days from Wednesday 04 to Friday 06 October 2017. Optional social events will be offered during the evenings and networking opportunities are available throughout.

There will be a mix of plenary sessions, some debates and parallel workshop sessions. Each day, there will be a minimum of 9 parallel sessions, in sessions of 1.5 or 2 hours, with between three and four papers presented in a themed session. The chair of each session ensures that there is ample time for discussion of papers and questions.

Special features

- › Plenary sessions on key topics, with keynotes given by significant names in world transport
- › Presentations of over 240 papers
- › Pre-conference drinks reception on Tuesday 03 October at Casa Convalescencia, 2000- 2100
- › Reception on Wednesday 04 October at the historic Barcelona City Hall, including a tour of the building
- › Conference Dinner Thursday 05 October at Fabrica Moritz
- › Technical visits of general interest (details TBC)
 - A visit to the Port (Freight and Logistics committee)
 - The new bus route system, including management of the tourist buses (Local Public Transport committee)
- › Bicycle tours

Young Researchers' and Practitioners' Forum

ETC 2017 will once again include a special forum for young professionals. The forum is intended to provide a format which enables constructive and comprehensive feedback as well as more time for discussion than usual.

The Young Researchers' and Practitioners' Forum (YRPF) invites early career researchers and practitioners to present their work to the participants of the conference. Early-stage and experimental projects and research ideas are explicitly welcome.

Volunteers who wish to be involved with YRPF are asked to approach Sally Scarlett during the conference or to email her at: sally.scarlett@aetransport.org

Booking details

The Conference's move to Barcelona has provided a great opportunity to involve more colleagues from Spain and to encourage first time attendees to become part of the ETC network.

To maximise networking opportunities offered by the event, we would encourage delegates to attend the whole conference. Therefore, an attractive package is available for the full three days of the conference. However, attendance on single days is also possible. The conference "Rover" ticket also allows organisations to book for the full three days and send a different delegate on separate days.

Attendance fees

Everyone who attends the conference pays the appropriate attendance fee for one, two or three days. This includes speakers and Programme Committee members. Members of the Association receive discounts on their attendance fees according to their category of membership. In addition, ECTRI members benefit from the same discount as AET Organisation Members.

A 50% discount will be available to attendances:

- › From new member states of the European Union (those who joined in 2004, 2007 and 2013)
- › Young professionals (under the age of 26 or with less than 5 years' professional experience)

Early booking discount fees (3-day attendance only)

Delegates are now invited to book their place at the conference to benefit from an [Early Booking Discount](#).

The Early Booking Discount applies to delegates booking 3-day attendance only, with payment received by 30 June 2017.

AET or ECTRI Members	Standard Fee*	Early Booking Fee*
Individual Member	£800 €960	£720 €850
Organisation Member	£760 €920	£690 €820
Non-Members	£940 €1130	£850 €995

To book your place online, please visit our website www.etcbookings.org or complete and return the booking form that is downloadable from the same website.

*All fees shown are subject to 20% VAT

Attendee information

Venue

The conference will take place at: UAB – Casa Convalescència, Sant Antoni Maria Claret, 171, Barcelona, 08041, Spain.

Accommodation and travel

Delegates are responsible for their own travel plans and medical insurance.

As Barcelona is a prime location for business and pleasure, we recommend that ETC attendees book their travel and accommodation as early as possible to avoid disappointment. For help with sourcing accommodation, please contact Sabrina Winter by email on: sabrina@tftp-training.co.uk

Visa and entry requirements

Delegates who need a visa to attend the conference should ensure they apply early to the Spanish Embassy in their own country as the processing of visas can take some time. The Association is able to write letters in support of visa applications but only for those who have booked and paid for their conference place. For more details please contact Sabrina Winter on sabrina@tftp-training.co.uk

Satellite meetings

In recent years, a number of research consortia and other project groups have held their management or dissemination meetings during or adjoining the conference. This can prove to be a convenient time if a number of the group members already plan to attend the conference.

If you would like to book a meeting room, please contact Sabrina Winter by email on sabrina@tftp-training.co.uk

Sponsorship and Exhibiting

There are opportunities to sponsor all or part of the conference such as the plenary sessions, themed seminars, the Conference Dinner, Welcome Reception, conference bags, mini guide, the timetable and conference badges. There will also be space for exhibition displays at reasonable rates.

Please contact Sabrina Winter at sabrina@tftp-training.co.uk

Conference Language

The language of the conference is English and all presentations will be made in English.

Delegates are advised that it is necessary to have a good standard of spoken English to take full advantage of the conference.



The Association for European Transport

The Association for European Transport is currently comprised of around 200 corporate and individual members, based in over 35 countries. It was formed in 1998 to develop a network of transport professionals across Europe.

Members receive discounts on publications and on attendance fees for the European Transport Conference and, more particularly, they are able to shape the conference by becoming members of the Programme Committees and of the Association Council.

Membership is open to both individuals and organisations, with a sliding scale of membership fee based upon the size of the organisation.

Benefits of membership to our Association include:

- › Discounted member rates at the European Transport Conference
- › Facilities for publishing and disseminating research findings, and sharing practical experience
- › A membership database for developing contacts throughout Europe
- › The opportunity to help shape future conferences by participating in programme committees
- › The opportunity to participate in the running of the Association via the Board of Directors and the AET Council

To find out more about becoming a member of the Association for European Transport, please contact Sally Scarlett by email on sally.scarlett@aetransport.org

The Association General Assembly

The Association for European Transport will hold its General Assembly on Thursday 05 October at the conference. The annual business of the Association will be conducted as well as the election of members to the AET Council. The General Assembly is open to all who are interested but only current members of the Association are eligible to vote at the meeting.



Programme Committees

The Programme Committees lie at the centre of the planning and delivery of ETC. They reflect the membership of the Association and cover a wide span of interests and professional experience. Opportunities exist to join a Programme Committee and there will be presentations during ETC. However, Sally Scarlett is always happy to answer questions about their role and activities on: sally.scarlett@aetransport.org

The Programme Committees (and their chairs) in place for ETC 2017 are:

- › Planning for Sustainable Land Use and Transport (Danielle Snellen, PBL, NL)
- › Transport Models (Peter Davidson, Peter Davidson Consultancy, UK)
- › Transport Economics, Finance and Appraisal (David Simmonds, David Simmonds Consultancy, UK)
- › Intelligent Mobility - management and operations (Gav Jackman, TSS, UK)
- › Freight and Logistics (Thierry Vanelslander, University of Antwerp, BE)
- › Local Public Transport (Iain Macbriar, QV Associates, UK)
- › Rail Planning and Policy (Mark van Hagen, NS, NL)
- › Pan-European Transport Policy and Climate Change (Jan Kiel, Panteia, NL)

Conference Organisers - TFTP

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