



AGENDA

LUNCH DEBATE

Working Group AUTOMOTIVE INDUSTRY

Wednesday, **15 June 2016** from 13:00 to 14:30 hrs

Room: Restaurant des Députés, Salon Privé

European Parliament, Rue Wiertz 60, Brussels

“Unlocking the potential of ITS for road transport – learnings from the Truck Platooning Challenge”

Transporting 18 billion tonnes of goods per year, trucks deliver 75% of all goods carried over land in Europe. Road transport is a formidable enabler of economic growth. But it also faces challenges – environmental impact, safety, congestion.

Forward-thinking investments in intelligent transport systems (ITS) can help make road transport safer, cleaner and more efficient in the future. Truck platooning is one example of promising ITS developments.

In this context, the Dutch Presidency completed an unprecedented initiative this year: The European Truck Platooning Challenge. Truck platooning is the linking of two or three trucks in a convoy. These vehicles closely follow each other at a set, close distance by using connectivity technology and automated driving support systems.

The Challenge brought truck convoys to public roads and across borders for the first time. The initiative is more than just a technical project. It is about getting together to learn how to facilitate border crossing as well as compatibility on legal and technical issues.

Welcome by: Karl von WOGAU, Secretary General of the Kangaroo Group

Speakers:

- Wim van de CAMP, MEP, EPP/Netherlands, Member of the Committee on Transport and Tourism
- Dirk-Jan de BRUIJN, Programme Director EU Truck Platooning Challenge
- Erik JONNAERT, Secretary General, ACEA
- Uwe PUETZSCHLER, Head of Car2X, Nokia
- Raimo TAPIO, Deputy Chairman, Centre for Effective Dispute Resolution (CEDR)

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