

# ESA & Automotive

# ESA COMMERCIALISATION GATEWAY

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# Why space is important to automotive

**IRIS**<sup>2</sup>



Connected cars



**Green Logistics** 



Decarbonization



Autonomous cars



ESA is supporting numerous initiatives to develop technology, products and services

Positioning



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# Cooperation with "non-space" businesses to...





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# BASS for automotive - Activities



#### TRENDS

#### Rise of MaaS

Integration of various forms of transport services into a single mobility service



MaaS

#### Connectivity & Automation

Increased automation of vehicles. V2V and V2X development for improved safety, efficiency and driver experience

#### Decarbonisation

Electrifying commercial and passenger vehicles. Uptake of alternative fuels such as hydrogen. **ENABLERS** 

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#### Micromobility

Many kinds of human-powered transportation like walking, biking, and scootering

### Last-mile delivery

Solutions to transport an item to its recipient in the quickest way possible.

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## **ESA BASS TASK FORCES**



Over the past year, ESA BASS has set up and launched a number of Task Forces, which bring together major stakeholders in a market to identify priority areas, increase the impact of space-based services in the sector, and generate positive green and economic results.



## BASS for automotive – Projects examples



## **Human Switch**

- Human Switch consists of two core applications to help drivers switch to electric based on driver's characteristics and provide live asset management for energy market applications V2G.
- Developed by UK consortium led by ATKearney, now commercialised by the joint venture EV8 set up by some members of the consortium.



2.7m Miles logged

EV8

Darwin



- The Darwin Autonomous Shuttle is a self-driving shuttle bus at Harwell Campus. An autonomous software allows vehicle to 'learn' the route and constantly improve its 'driving'.
- Darwin technology switches seamlessly between terrestrial and satellite networks for a ubiquitous connectivity, showing the ability to remotely control CAVs in urban and rural areas.



# BASS for automotive – Projects examples



#### UTRAQ



 Urban Traffic Management and Air Quality brings Air Quality and Weather Monitoring Systems, Modelling and Traffic Forecasting tools and Adaptive Traffic Management Systems into one integrated solution

Implemented in Leicester, pilots in London and Dubai



#### Tandem

- Tandem is a shared mobility solution for those living in areas with limited transport options, thus supporting Sustainable Development Goals. It uses GNSS for route-matching, picking up riders, and driver navigation, etc.
- It leverages a unique business model using partnerships with local taxi/coach companies, employment agencies, local authorities, etc.





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# BASS for automotive - Activities

## Green Energy Task Force Smart and Green Cities Task Force





Automated Road Transport Mar 2017



<u>Space and 5G</u> <u>Convergence:</u> <u>Transport & Logistics</u> Jul 2020



Satellite Connectivity for Autonomous Land Vehicles Safety Nov 2022



Last-mile delivery Feb 2024

Sept 2017 People Mobility



Apr 2021 Intelligent Transport Apr 2023 Sustainable Micro-



Q2 2024 Electromobility





# NAVISP for automotive - Context in a PNT system of

## systems







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- >3.5 billion users
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## EGNOS

- Ensuring safety-of-life for aviation maritime, rail and road
- ➢Regional coverage over EU, worldwide compatibility

## LEO-PNT

- PNT from LEO to complement existing GNSS systems
- Frequency diversity
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# NAVISP for automotive – PNT



#### NAVISP Industry Days identified key PNT concepts for automotive

Safety and PNT resilience are critical for autonomous vehicles

Operational infrastructures in ground, space and inside the vehicles rely on PNT technologies

Protection against interference and spoofing of signals

Ubiquitous PNT is still a challenge
Urban environments require 10cm absolute positioning for autonomous vehicles
The convergence of many technologies is required to build a sustainable PNT ecosystem

#### Standards and regulations

These are influenced by PNT capabilities
Can be a driver to open up new market opportunities.

#### Efficiency and performance

This will be enhanced by accurate PNT-enabled real-time map production linked to in-vehicle sensors.



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# NAVISP for automotive - Thematic Window on PNT4CCAM with ERTICO



ERTICO biquitous PNT for Connected, Cooperative and Automated Mobility for more efficient, safe, and sustainable roads and vehicles





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Identified the present PNT needs/gaps for CCAM applications

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# NAVISP for automotive – Projects examples



Technology development for Automotive

## Supercorrelator – (UK)

- Software Defined GNSS receiver for vehicles
- Capable of exploiting the angle-of-arrival of GNSS signals through software processing alone
- Provides higher levels of sensitivity, accuracy and integrity
- Unique multipath mitigation, non-line-of-sight signal rejection, anti-spoofing and spoofer localisation capabilities without requiring encryption, authentication messages or multi-element antenna arrays

### **Testbeds and Validation for Automotive**

- PNT Center for Automated Road Transport (IT)
- Safety and Performance Evaluation for PNT in Connected Autonomous Driving
- Supports tasks related with the design and certification of the CAD solution
- Hardware-In-the-Loop testing
- Network operation with external laboratories
- Extension of the lab capabilities to support the autonomous mobility use cases of Smart Roads are planned

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# NAVISP for automotive – Memorandum of Intent with ERTICO-ITS Europe



- > MoI between ESA ERTICO since 2022
- Focused on the development, promotion and connection of intelligent road systems and services
- Resulted in the NAVISP Thematic Window on Cooperative, Connected and Automated Mobility (CCAM)

## ESA contribution:

- NAVISP Participated in ITS congress in Lisbon 2023
- Enlarging the non-space footprint of ESA in automotive
- > Bringing in new market owners
- Stakeholder engagement



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## ESA-5GAA partnership, a roadmap for TN-NTN connectivity



- Cooperation since 2021
- MoU in 2022
- TN-NTN group lead by BMW

## ESA contribution:

- Neutral expertise (tech, standards, spectrum, regulatory)
- OEM requirements > 5G roadmap
- Leading industry developments
- Federating stakeholders
- Championing European industry and European sovereign industrial capabilities



## Representatives L-R: DLR, BMW, ESA, 5GAA, OHB, EC. 7 Nov. 23

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# 'No connectivity is not an option' BMW/5GAA



# Space for 5G & 6G

Opportunity to expand services

Positive impact for citizens and economies

Benefits space sector

No ubiquity without communication satellites



# ESA (co-)invests in future 5G TN-NTN connectivity





# Communications and Secure Connectivity for Automotive – Related calls



#### Antenna related:

- HIGHLY EFFICIENT 20 W S-BAND AMPLIFIER FOR 5G-CONNECTED CARS (ARTES 4.0 SPL 5G/6G 7C.082)
- 5G AUTOMOTIVE ANTENNA PROTOTYPE AND DEMONSTRATION (ARTES 4.0 SPL 5G/6G 7C.084)
- DISTRIBUTED, SCALABLE ANTENNA ON GLASS FOR AUTOMOTIVE CONNECTIVITY TO SATELLITE (ARTES 4.0 AT 7C.081)
- PRINTED CIRCUIT BOARD TECHNOLOGY FOR AUTOMOTIVE CONFORMAL ANTENNAS (ARTES 4.0 AT 7C.083)

#### System related:

- STUDY AND DEMONSTRATOR OF HEO PAYLOAD ARCHITECTURE FOR 5G-CONNECTED MOBILE SERVICES (ARTES SPL 5G 5A.084)
- NGSO SIMULATOR FOR 5G VEHICLE-TO-EVERYTHING (V2X) (ARTES 4.0 SPL 5G/6G 3A.183)
- AD HOC VEHICLE TO VEHICLE MESH NETWORK FOR IMPROVED SATELLITE THROUGHPUT (ARTES 4.0 AT 6B.117)

**Demonstration related:** 

VEHICLE-TO-EVERYTHING (V2X) SERVICES DEMONSTRATION OVER SATELLITE (ARTES 4.0 SPL 5G/6G 3A.182)



## ESA and automotive: What's next?





## NAVISP

Upcoming ITTs: > EL1-087 Verifiable AI/ML techniques for PNT applications > EL1-090 Robust Navigation for Autonomous Driving with Low-Cost/SWaP Arrays of Antennas > EL1-095 Exploitation of Geo-spatial Data for Automated Vehicles



PNT Permanent open calls:

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