



## Newsletter 2 – 30 May 2014

Viajeo Plus newsletter gives you an update of the project activities. To learn about the project please visit our website [www.viajeoplus.eu](http://www.viajeoplus.eu). For more information please contact: [y.li@mail.ertico.com](mailto:y.li@mail.ertico.com).

### The 16<sup>th</sup> EU-China Urbanisation Forum, Beijing, China, 18 – 22 Nov 2013

Beijing will host of the 16th EU- China summit from the 18 till the 22 November 2013. The EU and the Chinese counterpart represented by the highest political representatives will meet in China focusing on discussions for potential cooperation and therefore paving the way for launching new initiatives to take the relationship forward in the next decade. A strategic agenda on security, prosperity and sustainable development has been set up and negotiations are expected to be launched on an EU – China bilateral investment agreement. During the summit, EU-China Urbanisation Forum and Exhibition will be held in Beijing. Viajeo PLUS consortium members have been invited to join the event.

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### MPC forum in Istanbul, Turkey 20 – 21 March 2014

The Viajeo Plus project organized a workshop in cooperation with UNIMED taking place in Istanbul, Turkey on 20 and 21 March 2014. The initiative meets one of the two topics developed in the framework of the project, namely to create a way for cooperating with the Mediterranean Partner Countries. The output of the workshop will be used to pave the way for building capacities for future research cooperation with MPCs in urban mobility, particularly in innovative public transport, sustainable urban logistics and enabling transport infrastructure to support green and innovative urban mobility.

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### TRA conference in Paris, 14 – 17 April 2014

France is the host of the 2014 Transport Research Arena (TRA), the major European conference dedicated to surface transport research and its deployment. The event is scheduled for 14-17 April 2014 and it is organised by the French Institute of Science and Technology for Transport, Development and Networks (IFSTTAR). In this context Viajeo Plus has been invited to join the TRA activities by participating to:

The Invited Session 10 Sustainable urban mobility in Europe, the Mediterranean, Asia and Latin-America

The Strategic Session SS8 “International Cooperation in Transport research”

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## **Innovation in Transport – City Showcase- Gothenburg 12-14 May 2014**

Viajeo Plus delegation just came back from the first City Showcase in Europe. The Innovative Transport Solutions event took place in Gothenburg, Sweden on the 12,13 & 14 May 2014 where participants had the chance to learn about Swedish transport best practices. The interactive showcase organized in the context of the Viajeo Plus project benefitted the support of VOLVO together with the City of Gothenburg, Lindholmen Science Park, CLOSER, SAFER, DB- Schenker. The workshops and technical visits allowed stakeholders to gain first-hand experience of innovative solutions, exchange knowledge and information. The final purpose is to develop recommendations to the EC for future collaboration among cities and for cooperative research initiatives.

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## **Research in Vehicle Automation in Europe and China**

The seminar was held in conjunction with Prof. Hui CHEN's visit to ERTICO. Prof. Chen is the director of Chassis Electronic Control Systems Lab, School of Automotive Studies, Tongji University, Shanghai. He is also the Secretary General of ITS Committee of Society of Automotive Engineering (SAE)-China. ERTICO team members, Dr. Yanying Li, Dr. Divide Brizzolara, Mr. Andras Csepinszky, Mr. Francois Fischer participated in the seminar. Prof. Chen introduced research activities of his team on Intelligent Vehicles technologies and autonomous driving. He also gave an overview of state-of-the-art of vehicle automation in China. Dr. Divide Brizzolara presented the VRA project, a support action project for vehicle and road automation. Discussions on needs for future cooperation at the seminar concluded that cooperation in vehicle automation between Europe and China can benefit development of the technologies and facilitate real applications of automated vehicles. Topics for cooperation identified include study on future needs for automated vehicles in Europe and China, demonstration of automated vehicles for aging society as well as standardisation on vehicle automation.

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## **Upcoming Events**

### **Challenge Bibendum – Chengdu, CHINA 11 - 15 November 2014**

The 12th Michelin Challenge Bibendum, an innovative “think & action tank” promoting clean, safe, connected, accessible, and affordable mobility, will be held in Chengdu, China from 11th to 15th this November. It was announced at a joint press conference by Michelin Group and the Chengdu municipal government. More than a simple forum, the Michelin Challenge Bibendum has also evolved into a fully-fledged “world lab of tomorrow’s mobility,” featuring an original format widely hailed by participants. The global event not only demonstrates a number of international initiatives aiming to design tomorrow’s mobility, but also integrates technical tests and rallies, rides and drives, and demos with exhibitions and prospective workshops, as well as encounters with students and VIP speakers. In 2014, the Michelin Challenge Bibendum will deliver tangible and deployable solutions to policy-makers in targeted areas including, “Winning Technologies,” “Targeted Public Policies,” “New Economic Tools,” “Innovative Eco-systems”, etc.

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