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Dear Reader,

Across Europe, September brings change — from the turning leaves to new beginnings within our European Parking Association (EPA). This year, five Board members are up for re-election and, after years of dedicated service, our current President, Nigel Williams, will be stepping down.

Thanks to Nigel's leadership, and with the great support of the Board and the Secretariat, headed by Tom Antonissen, EPA has solidified its strategic foundations and expanded its influence across Europe. From relocating our base to Brussels, to growing our corporate membership and fostering internal innovation, Nigel's tenure has been marked by real progress. He also championed technology uptake within the sector, supporting initiatives like the Alliance for Parking Data Standards (APDS), which has become a game-changer, especially for small and medium-sized parking management companies across the sector.

As we look ahead, as EPA we must be attuned to the evolving needs of our members. We have to remain agile, collaborative, and ambitious. Parking must be inclusive—designed for people, not just vehicles. Cross-border enforcement is vital, and the need for a standardised European Parking Card for persons with disabilities (PMR/Blue Badge) is clear. Strengthening our connection to cities and deepening partnerships with both public and private stakeholders is essential to ensure parking solutions serve residents, visitors, commuters, and businesses alike. EPA is a key platform where these worlds come together, helping companies, national associations, and municipalities connect with the EU institutions and other Brussels-based stakeholders.

The future of parking lies in electric and connected mobility, transforming the way we shape urban spaces. This future can be seen as a triangle: energy – mobility – space. At the centre of this triangle is one essential principle: safety and security. Connected mobility depends on clear standards for data and communication between vehicles and parking infrastructure.

While EU directives call for up to 50% of existing non-residential building parking spaces to be prepared for EV charging within less than two years, the affected sector itself advocates for a more realistic target, aligned with current and projected demand. At the same time, cities must scale up bicycle parking and invest in better multimodal mobility hubs—spaces that are multifunctional, sustainable, and inclusive. Working closely with cities and real estate investors, we will advance the development

of these hubs through new projects and by transforming existing parking infrastructure.

Parking infrastructure is part of the backbone of the urban mobility ecosystem. Multi-modality is key, enabling smoother integration between transport options. Data sharing—powered by standards like APDS—is central. Car parks are evolving into hubs of connection, innovation, and shared mobility. Urban space is being reshaped. As cities strive for liveability and accessibility, we must manage not only vehicles but also urban logistics, public transport interfaces, and charging for all vehicle types. The theme of safety and security, in a geopolitical context, is linked to the threat of potential conflict. One aspect of military preparedness is the multi-functional use of underground car parks, which can also serve as shelters for people and contribute to military mobility. Parking infrastructure must therefore offer robust physical and digital security. Whether facing cyber threats or geopolitical tensions, secure parking and mobility systems are essential.

To the outside world, it may be surprising just how dynamic and committed the parking management sector truly is. While 90% of infrastructure has already been built in the Northwest of Europe, Eastern and Southern Europe are looking for new, more integrated urban developments. Parking at airports and railways will also be part of these integrated mobility hubs. The focus now is on transformation: unlocking its potential through digitisation, accessibility, and partnership.

The European Parking Association is both a gateway to the European Union and a hub for cross-border collaboration. By learning from each other, we can continue to innovate and elevate our sector. And through clear, consistent communication, we move forward together. That's why events organised by EPA, like our internal working groups, the European Parking Conference & Exhibition, and the European Parking Awards, matter—they offer a unique opportunity to meet our peers, exchange ideas, and celebrate the forward-thinking solutions created by parking management professionals across Europe.

See you in Brussels on 16-18 September!

Theo Thuis

*Managing Director Innovation
Q-Park (EPA Platinum Member)
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Theo Thuis

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EasyPark Group Unifies Under 'Arrive'

EasyPark Group, leading provider of digital parking and mobility solutions, unveiled a new name and identity to better align with the company's vision to make cities more liveable. Arrive, the new company name, will replace EasyPark Group and Flowbird Group, and will be the overarching parent company for the consumer brands EasyPark, Flowbird, ParkMobile, Parkopedia, RingGo, Yellowbrick, Your Parking Space and other brands within the organization.

"I'm very excited to be able to celebrate the reveal of our company's new name and brand Arrive," said Cameron Clayton, CEO of Arrive. "Our exponential growth over the past 12 months, especially with the integration of Flowbird and Parkopedia, has dramatically expanded our scope of business and product offerings. We need a corporate structure and identity that mirrors our entire portfolio – moving beyond just parking."

"Arrive's vision of making cities more liveable is an inherited testament to the work EasyPark Group, Flowbird Group, and Parkopedia achieved individually over the last 20 years," said Clayton. "We are building the world's leading global mobility platform. We can't do it alone, we can only do it together with cities, with riders and with drivers."

The consumer brands and mobile apps, such as EasyPark, RingGo, ParkMobile, and Flowbird, will remain unaffected for the foreseeable future. According to the company, Arrive, including brands like EasyPark, Flowbird, RingGo, ParkMobile and Parkopedia, is present in over 90 countries and 20,000 cities worldwide. ■



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EasyPark, Flowbird, Parkopedia, RingGo, and ParkMobile revealed its new corporate parent company and brand "Arrive".

Smart Parking Expands into Switzerland

The publicly traded Smart Parking Group announces the founding of Smart Parking AG. With this expansion into Switzerland, the group aims to strengthen the company's market position in Europe. Additional subsidiaries already exist in the United Kingdom, Denmark, and Germany.

Smart Parking has been offering parking management solutions for 30 years. Today, these include sensor technology, automatic number plate recognition (ANPR), mobile apps, and cloud systems for optimizing parking space utilization.

"Our vision is to make parking stress-free, time-saving, and resource-efficient," explains Rainer Artelt, Managing Director of Smart Parking AG in Zug. "With our solutions, we not only want to improve the everyday lives of drivers in Switzerland, but also offer parking lot owners the technologies they need to perfect their valuable parking space."

Paul Gillespie, CEO of the Smart Parking Group, adds: "We have a strong focus on sustainable, long-term growth. Therefore, we are confident that by establishing an independent branch in Switzerland, we can further expand our position in the industry and maximise our growth potential. In doing so, we fully address the specific, local needs in Switzerland."



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Smart Parking is launching in Switzerland with a team from the areas of sales, service, data research, parking space planning, sustainability, and marketing.

The company works closely with industries such as retail, hotels, hospitality, tourism, leisure, medical facilities, real estate, airports and train stations, and plans to implement a large number of projects in Zurich, Bern, Basel, and Lausanne. ■



WPS Wins Contract in Spelthorne Borough Council

WPS UK has signed a new contract with Spelthorne Borough Council to implement its latest ParkAdvance+ parking technology. The project involves the modernization of two car parks in Staines-upon-Thames: an above-ground car park and a multi-story car park with a total capacity of around 900 parking spaces. Both facilities are directly connected to the Elmsleigh Shopping Centre, a major shopping centre in the region with over 50 stores.

WPS considers this contract a strategic milestone in its commitment to providing future-proof, sustainable parking solutions. The new facility replaces the previous system with a ticketless, paperless concept based on automatic number plate recognition, offering users a smoother and more convenient parking experience. In addition, the system is integrated into the district-



Ticketless and paperless parking solution for the customers of the Elmsleigh Shopping Centre

wide Variable Message System (VMS) to guide drivers to available parking spaces in real time.

The new solution was selected following a tender process. The project includes a five-year contract for service and cloud hosting with the option to expand to other Spelthorne-managed locations in the future. ■

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Simple Fast Charging by Credit Card in Freiburg

Charging infrastructure provider ChargePoint is offering its direct payment solution at another location. In the southwest German city of Freiburg, EV drivers can experience seamless fast charging: no app, no registration, simply insert a credit or debit card and charge. This service is made possible by the OCPI-based integration between

ChargePoint's be.ENERGISED platform and CCV Cloud Connect. Two connections, each with a fast charging capacity of up to 150 kW, are available on-site and are operated by the energy provider badenova.

According to the provider, the expansion of additional charging stations in the region is already planned. ChargePoint aims to further expand such interoperable, user-friendly charging networks for electric vehicles across Europe together with its be.ENERGISED customers and its partner CCV. ■



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The Bavaria Parkgaragen portfolio also includes the Hofbräuhaus parking garage under Munich's Altstadttrng.

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Q-Park acquires Bavaria Parkgaragen

Following Q-Park's acquisition of the German parking provider ParkOne in April, the company announced at the beginning of July that it had also acquired Bavaria Parkgaragen this summer. This further expands Q-Park's market position in Germany.

The acquisition enables Q-Park to benefit from the attractive city center locations of Bavaria Parkgaragen in Munich and other locations in Bavaria and Berlin. According to their own statements, the two companies want to further expand their commitment to sustainable mobility solutions and seamless parking services. According to Q-Park, this includes the design of mobility hubs, including charging stations for electric vehicles, the reduction of traffic searching for parking spaces through digital services, and the preservation of liveable, economically dynamic, and easily accessible cities.

Frank De Moor, CEO of Q-Park, says: "The acquisition of Bavaria Parkgaragen underscores our clear growth course in Germany." Frank Meyer, Managing Director of Q-Park Germany, adds: "We are delighted to welcome the experienced team at Bavaria Parkgaragen to the Q-Park family. This acquisition not only strengthens our market presence in

Munich and Bavaria, but also brings our successful digital services, such as the Q-Park app and the option to book and reserve parking spaces, to these important markets."

According to its own information, Q-Park Germany is the third-largest private parking operator in Germany. The company owns, operates, or manages 169 parking facilities with a total of over 66,000 parking spaces in more than 50 cities, including Berlin, Darmstadt, Düsseldorf, Cologne, Leipzig, and Saarbrücken.

Bavaria Parkgaragen is reportedly the twelfth-largest parking operator and the seventh-largest owner-operated parking management company in Germany. The company operates 26 parking facilities with over 12,000 parking spaces and 174 charging stations for electric vehicles, primarily in Munich, Berlin, Düsseldorf, and other German cities.

New partnership between Q-Park and PayByPhone

With the launch of a new partnership in July, parking operator Q-Park is enabling all users of the PayByPhone app to park in over 100 Q-Park car parks throughout Germany. Q-Park

facilities have been equipped with an automatic license plate recognition system for some time, which enables third-party providers such as PayByPhone to connect directly to Q-Park's parking technology. PayByPhone users are identified via camera-based license plate recognition at the entrance and exit barriers of the parking facilities.

Roman Rohrberg, Head of Sales & Marketing at Q-Park Operations Germany GmbH & Co. KG: "I am particularly pleased that we have another strong partner in PayByPhone to make the parking experience even more convenient and stress-free for customers. Together, we are increasing the appeal of off-street parking and thus making an important contribution to reducing congestion in our city centres."

Marilena Lichtenauer, Director of Client Account Management at PayByPhone Deutschland GmbH, says of the partnership: "We are delighted to be partnering with Q-Park and to be working together to bring another piece of smart mobility into people's everyday lives. Our goal is to make parking as easy and seamless as possible, thereby making an active contribution to the digitalization of urban mobility." ■

People in Parking



Giuliano Caldo

EXCLUSIVE INTERVIEW

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Heidi Wildemann

Giuliano Caldo has been appointed **Regional Director of Arrive**, the global mobility company born from the evolution of the EasyPark Group. In this role, Caldo is responsible for the DACH region (Germany, Austria, Switzerland), the Iberian Peninsula (Spain and Portugal), and Italy, while also returning to head up the Italian market as Country Director. Giuliano Caldo had already led EasyPark in Italy from 2019 to April 2023 and subsequently held the position of Regional Director South & Central Europe for EasyPark Group.

Silvana Filippini, who has held the position of Country Director for Italy since April 2023, will take over responsibility for the group's global payment strategy.

Arrive Germany has appointed **Heidi Wildemann** as its new **Managing Director for the German market**. Wildemann takes over from Nico Schlegel, who has successfully helped shape the company for almost ten years. Heidi Wildemann brings expertise in digital transformation and mobility services. As Managing Director of ParkNow Germany and Austria, she successfully led the sales, marketing, and customer operations departments. Other highlights of her career include senior positions at Berlin Brands Group in e-commerce and as interim COO at GetCouped Technologies.

APCOA appointed **Jörg Ulrich** (48) as **Chief Growth Officer** (CGO). In this new position Jörg follows Frank van der Sant, who has left the organization in May and as such he will be responsible for leveraging the existing sales capabilities, the portfolio management and the analytical tools to further strengthen the company's market position and to unlock new revenue streams. Jörg has been with APCOA since 2014, holding several senior leadership positions, most recently serving as Group Director Strategic Sales and Alliances.

After more than 20 years at **APCOA** and his significant contribution to the growth of the company, **Stefan Sadleder** has decided to break new ground at the end of October. As of 1 July, **Caroline Aichholzer** has already been appointed as the new **Managing Director of the APCOA companies in Austria**. She has been part of the company for six years, during which time she has been responsible for central strategic and operational functions. Demonstrating competence, commitment and a clear vision, Caroline is now taking on a key role in APCOA Austria's ongoing development. This is a significant step for an industry that is still considered male-dominated in many places, as Caroline is the first woman to take the helm at APCOA Austria, also a commitment to change and diversity. ■



Jörg Ulrich



Caroline Aichholzer

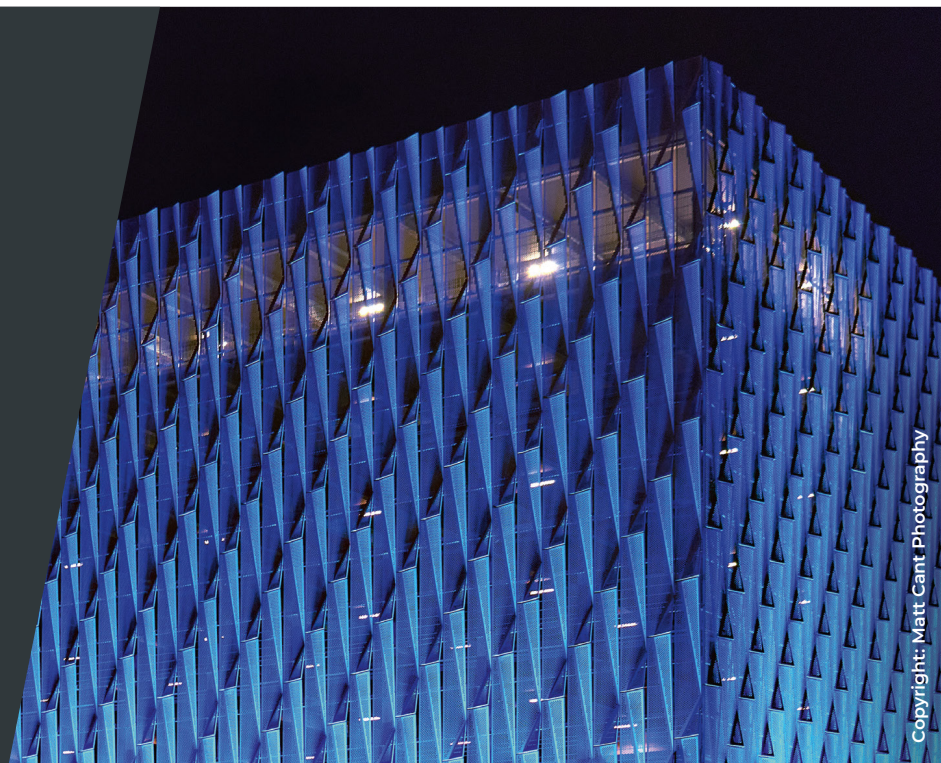


Stefan Sadleder

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CCV Partners with Scheidt & Bachmann in the UK

In mid-June, CCV, a payment solutions provider operating in the Netherlands, Belgium and Germany, announced a new partnership with Scheidt & Bachmann for the UK e-mobility market. Under the terms of the agreement, Scheidt & Bachmann's SIQMA PowerPay will be integrated with CCV payment terminals to create a payment kiosk that is safe, convenient and intuitive for drivers to use. According to CCV, the solution is fully compliant with AFIR and UK PCPR for ad-hoc payments.

At the beginning of Q2, Fiserv, Inc. (NYSE: FI), a leading global provider of payments and financial services technology, acquired



CCV. "The addition of CCV enables Fiserv to accelerate the deployment of our Clover platform and operating system, providing enhanced capabilities and innovation to our clients across Europe," said Katia Karpova, Fiserv's Head of the EMEA region. "We have a deep appreciation and admiration for the reputation that CCV has built up over its 67-year history and for the impact that the company has on its stakeholders." ■

CCV payment terminals are to be installed in Scheidt & Bachmann's SIQMA PowerPay.

Planet joins forces with InstaVolt

Planet, a global provider of integrated payments and technology solutions, has announced a collaboration with InstaVolt to enhance the payment experience for EV drivers by delivering seamless, secure, and flexible payment solutions at InstaVolt's charging stations across Europe.

Already established as the UK's largest ultra-rapid charging network, InstaVolt has expanded into Ireland, Spain, Portugal and Iceland. By leveraging Planet's advanced payments technology, InstaVolt wants to ensure a

streamlined, reliable, and scalable payment experience for its customers. InstaVolt selected Planet for its ability to facilitate seamless payments and support multi-currency transactions while integrating with RFID and card payment processes. Planet's technology powers both in-person and in-app transactions in EV charging environments, ensuring an intuitive and hassle-free process for drivers.

Gary Kirkland, Chief Technology Officer, InstaVolt: "We wanted to work with someone who could simplify our payment operations

while delivering a smooth and flexible charging experience for our customers. Planet provides exactly that – an efficient, scalable, and seamless solution. Their support has been invaluable as we expand across Europe."

Aleksander Leicht, SVP Developing Markets, Planet: "At Planet, our goal is to make payments as seamless as possible for businesses and their customers. Working with InstaVolt has been a fantastic opportunity to bring innovative payment solutions to the EV charging sector." ■



InstaVolt selected Planet to offer smooth and seamless charging services.

APCOA to Manage Parking at Utilita Arena Birmingham

Following a competitive bid process, APCOA has been awarded the contract to manage parking activities at Utilita Arena Birmingham. The contract, with a term of up to ten years, encompasses management of over 2,000 car parking spaces across three separate car parks with pre-booking and on-

the-day parking both available. All three car parks are operated using Parkway ANPR technology, a barrierless solution that aims to minimise queues and reduce emissions.

Utilita Arena Birmingham has a reputation for hosting a broad range of events and is easily accessible in the heart of the coun-

try. From household names in music and comedy to sporting events and conferences, the arena draws in more than 700,000 visitors from all over the world every year. With nearly 9,000 parking transactions at payment machines or using APCOA ScanPay in the first week of the contract alone, Utilita Arena Birmingham is busier than ever and customers wanting to pre-book their parking in advance can do so online.

Kim Challis, APCOA Regional Managing Director UK&I: "We are delighted to be working in partnership with the NEC Group at this exciting venue, using our extensive experience in the leisure sector to ensure that customer parking is a seamless element of the whole customer experience."

Jen Mitchell, NEC Group Arenas Managing Director said: "We're pleased to be partnering with APCOA to enhance the parking experience at Utilita Arena Birmingham. We're confident visitors will enjoy a more positive parking experience as a result of the partnership."



Visitors are to expect a positive parking experience at Utilita Arena Birmingham.

EU Approves Interparking's Acquisition of Saba

Interparking's acquisition of Saba has been approved by the European Commission, with Italy still pending a ruling from the national competition authority.

AG Insurance, Interparking's majority shareholder, announced last October that it would acquire Saba. This acquisition would effectively double Interparking's size, bringing its total to over 2,000 car parks. However, the transaction was subject to approval by the European Commission, which has now been granted. According to EU competition authorities, the acquisition has only a limited impact on competition within the sector.

Founded in 1966, Saba operates car parks in nine countries across Europe and Latin America. These will be integrated into Interparking, which, following the transaction, will

manage nearly 800,000 parking spaces and around 8,000 electric vehicle charging sta-

tions in 16 countries. The Interparking and Saba brands will both be retained.



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As was the case in 2022, when more than 500 parking and mobility experts from over 30 countries attended the 20th EPA Congress & Exhibition in Brussels, this year's event will once again confirm the importance of this major event. Here are a few snapshots from three years ago.

21st European Parking Conference & Exhibition

Europe's Most Important Parking and Mobility Event

Organized by the European Parking Association (EPA) from its new base in Brussels, the 21st European Parking Conference & Exhibition is the next edition of the sector's flagship biennial event.

The conference and exhibition are dedicated to showcasing innovation in smart parking management and how this innovation will help shape the future of sustainable urban mobility across Europe and beyond. Policymakers, industry

experts and public authorities will tackle pressing issues such as electromobility and its impact on parking – both on and off-street; kerbside management and urban logistics; and digitalization and data sharing as mandated by EU legislation and required

commercially to ensure digital visibility. In line with the theme “Reshaping Urban Space – Delivering sustainable parking management and mobility solutions”, the conference will focus on major societal challenges such as the twin green and digital transitions



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at the urban level and applicable Environmental, Social and Governance (ESG) principles. In addition to intense knowledge sharing, the Conference & Exhibition will allow industry players, both established ones and new entrants, to display their products and services with booths and sponsored info sessions.

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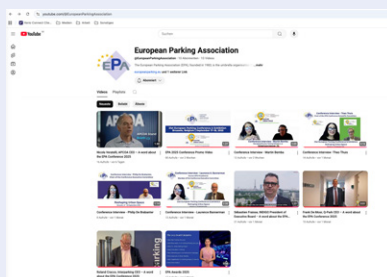
This 21st edition will feature an interactive format with a focus on discussion and participation. In addition to plenary sessions in the auditorium, workshops and breakout sessions will provide a dynamic platform for

the sector to dive deeper into the selected topics, fostering collaboration and solution-driven dialogue. The Conference & Exhibition will showcase EPA's own activities, initiatives and publications and offer delegates and exhibitors a multiplicity of high quality networking opportunities.

EPA's New YouTube Channel

EPA is excited to launch its official YouTube channel — and to kick things off, the association released a brand-new teaser video created by their talented new videographer Ayse Isken. This dynamic short film introduces the key themes of the upcoming EPA Conference and offers a preview of what's in store. The EPA YouTube channel is your new hub for insights, interviews, and essential moments from the European Parking Association.

Videos that were posted so far include messages from Roland Cracco, CEO of Interparking, Sébastien Fraisse, President of the Executive Board of INDIGO Group, Nicola Veratelli, CEO APCOA, Frank De Moor, CEO of Q-Park International, and Martin Bemba, Managing Director of Parking Solutions at Scheidt & Bachmann GmbH.



EPA YouTube Channel:
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EPA Conference teaser video:
www.youtube.com/watch?v=aJFIOfg8uEU

Fireside Chats

As EPA looks ahead to a fantastic 21st European Parking Conference & Exhibition, the association decided to host online fireside chats with Yasmin Jefferies, EPA Membership Development & Social Media Manager. In the first of these sessions prominent voices from EPA explain the conference's theme 'Reshaping Urban Space', and discuss why →



→ this is a must-attend event. Here, you can read the transcriptions of these short interviews with

- Theo Thuis, Chair of the EPA Scientific Committee,
- Philip De Brabanter, Chair of the Conference Executive Committee, and
- Laurence A. Bannerman, President Emeritus.



The EPA Conference & Exhibition provides lots of opportunities for interaction and discussion.



Conference Interview – Laurence A. Bannerman

Yasmin: Welcome to another of our short interviews focused on our upcoming conference. Joining me today is Laurence Bannerman, former EPA president and member of the conference executive committee.

Laurence: Nice to see you. Thanks for inviting me and really happy to share some thoughts with you.

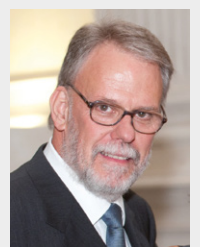
Yasmin: Well, my question for you today, Laurence, is this: What sort of details are the CEC (Conference Executive Committee) looking at to be sure we will be offering the best conference experience for both delegates and exhibitors at this year's event?

Laurence: Well, nice question, Yasmin. In 1983, EPA held its first congress in Madrid. In 2011 for the 15th EPA Congress, a new format was introduced. We are talking today about the 21st edition of the EPA parking and mobility event. For this conference, the CEC has renewed again the format to keep abreast of the times, responding to the need for more dynamic participation by ensuring

a wider range of specialized themes to dive into and many networking opportunities for exhibitors and delegates. How? Maintaining Brussels as the central European location and nearness to the European institutions, selecting a location with a great layout that stimulates interaction and full immersion for plenary sessions, workshops, meeting rooms, exhibition areas, catering and social events; reducing the event to two days to optimize travel costs; lowering the price of delegate fees to enable a wider participation; opening up the EPA event to our mobility and technological partners.

The EPA has a track record of participants coming from over 30 different countries, and we aim to confirm the 21st EPA Conference as the most important European parking and mobility event.

Yasmin: All sounding excellent indeed. And we can't wait to see you all then and of course experience all that excellence.





Conference Interview – Theo Thuis

Yasmin: As part of our preparations for the 21st European Parking Conference and Exhibition, we're going to be sharing brief interviews with conference speakers as well as members of all the teams tasked with creating the events program. Joining me today on the first session of the series is Theo Thuis who chairs EPA's scientific committee. Thank you for joining me today.

Theo, I wonder if you could tell us a little bit about what's the theme of the conference and why that theme was chosen. What delegates and exhibitors can look forward to and why they absolutely shouldn't miss the event.

Theo: Okay, thank you very much for inviting me, Yasmin, for today. So, the title and the theme of the conference is 'reshaping urban space'. That's the central theme and as we know cities are growing. There are more people in cities, more mobility but the same amount of space. The space is not expanding. That's really a very challenging situation because cities they want to use their public space in a multifunctional and more green way, especially in inner cities. So that gives us an enormous challenge and changes in urban transport. It builds another role for electric vehicles. It will be more multi-modal and the electric car will be one of the crucial modes of transport in combination with public transport and active travel. Now we see a lot of differences between big cities, medium sized cities and small cities. The parking industry is delivering and contributing to more lively and accessible growing cities by using the existing parking infrastructure more efficiently. So, that's the key thing about reshaping urban space: Cities are growing and we have an existing parking infrastructure which we should use in a multifunctional and in a multi-

modal way more efficiently. That's the whole idea behind the theme and the conference.

Yasmin: Great. Thank you. In terms of what exhibitors and delegates can look forward to and why nobody should miss the event, what would you say?

Theo: That's an exciting question, of course. Parking is hitting all aspects in cities, in big hospitals, airports, shopping centres and so on. For example, in the cities we are talking about reorganizing the curbside where logistic companies have new challenges and certain window times when they are able to deliver their goods to the shops. Cities are introducing digital zones. We have to be connected with those digital platforms. The charging infrastructure, energy companies, OEMs who want to have a relationship with the EV infrastructure which we are offering in car parks and mobility hubs. The whole OEM sector is very interested to get more steps forward in automated valet parking, connected mobility and remote ride hailing. All those new developments make multimodality more attractive. They would like to get the connectivity with the parking infrastructure and we do that in a digital way. We're working on standardized data. The companies who are working on data standards are very much invited, and are looking forward to how we can all make this happen – ultimately for the customer, who will use the data in a very efficient and seamless way.

Yasmin: Thank you very much for your time today, Theo. And indeed, thank you for all the work the committee is putting into delivering such a fantastic program.



Conference Interview – Philip De Brabanter

Yasmin: So my question for you today Philippe is what do we hope to achieve in putting on this conference?

Philip: We hope to achieve two important topics. The first one is for the European parking association, the positioning of EPA as an important stakeholder within the EU mobility ecosystem and towards the EU institutions. To grow and diversify EPA's membership such as EV charge point providers, airports, OEMs, new mobility service providers, etc. A second thing, also very important for the parking sector is to strengthen the perception and image of parking as an

enabler of sustainable urban mobility. Advance key policy files such as EV charging, cross-border enforcements, parking data sharing, etc. Disseminate international best practices, celebrate the successes and innovations of the parking sector, and support the networking and business development goals from the parking sector.

Yasmin: So much to look forward to. With all of that, it can only be a success.





Conference Program

The program will be regularly updated to reflect new speakers and confirmed session details as they join the line-up.

Find the most recent program also here: www.epaconference.eu/program/

● Tuesday, September 16, 2025

9:00 AM - 5:00 PM **Sponsors and Exhibitors Only**

Exhibition set-up

Exhibition Areas

6:00 PM - 9:00 PM **Networking**

Welcome Reception

Room Restaurant

The Conference will feature 4 different types of interactive parallel sessions/workshops:

- Policy Sessions with a high-level/policy focus on topics such as: Urban Mobility, Electromobility, Curbside management, Digitalisation, AI-based parking, Multimodality – Mobility Hubs, Sustainability, etc.
- Partner Workshops on similar relevant topics and trends, incl. those organized by EPA partners such as POLIS, ALICE, NMS-CIVITAS, MaaS Alliance, ERTICO etc.
- EPA WG Workshops presenting the results achieved by EPA's internal Working Groups: Digitalisation & Data, EVs & Fire Safety, Enforcement, and more.
- Sponsored Workshops showcasing presentations and solutions by Sponsors of the EPA Conference.

● Wednesday, September 17, 2025

8:30 AM - 10:00 PM **Explore and Exchange**

Discover our Exhibitors

Exhibition Areas

8:30 AM - 9:00 AM **Networking**

Welcome Coffee

Exhibition Areas

9:00 AM - 10:30 AM **Policy**

1.1 Reshaping Urban Space Part 1 – Parking Policy & Management in the Context of Urban Mobility & SUMP (Policy Session)

Room Auditorium

Partner

1.2 New Mobility Services (NMS) and Parking (Partner Workshop by CIVITAS-NMS)

Room Cinema

EPA

1.3 Electric Vehicles & Fire Safety (EPA WG workshop)

Room Riverside 6

Sponsor

1.4 Cybersecurity in Parking (Sponsored Workshop by Q-Park)

Room Studio

Sponsor

1.5 Multifunctional Use of Parking Spaces as Urban Logistics Micro Hubs (Sponsored Workshop by APCOA)

Room Aquarium

Sponsor

1.6 Sponsored Workshop (TBC)

Room Riverside 1

10:30 AM - 11:00 AM **Networking**

Coffee Break

Exhibition Areas

11:00 AM - 12:30 PM **Plenary**

Opening Plenary Session

Room Auditorium

12:30 PM - 2:00 PM **Networking**

Lunch Break

Exhibition Areas

2:00 PM - 3:30 PM

Policy

2.1 Reshaping Urban Space Part 2 – Parking Policy & Management in the Context of Urban Logistics & SULPs (Policy Session)

Room Aquarium

Policy

2.2 The Future of Sustainable Shared Mobility (Policy Session)

Room Riverside 6

EPA

2.3 Digitalisation & Data (EPA WG workshop)

Room Riverside 1

Sponsor

2.4 Resilience & Military Preparedness (Sponsored Workshop by Interparking Group)

Room Studio

Sponsor

2.5 Ready to Make Your City More Liveable? Here's How (Sponsored Workshop by Arrive ex-EasyPark)

Room Cinema

3:30 PM - 4:00 PM **Networking**
Coffee Break (Sponsored by Bundesverband Parken e.V.)
Exhibition Areas

4:00 PM - 6:00 PM **Plenary**
European Parking Awards Ceremony
Room Auditorium

6:00 PM - 7:00 PM **Networking**
Networking Reception
Exhibition Areas

7:00 PM - 10:00 PM **Networking**
Walking Dinner
Exhibition Areas

● Thursday, September 18, 2025

8:30 AM - 9:00 AM **Networking**
Welcome Coffee
Exhibition Areas

8:30 AM - 6:00 PM **Explore and Exchange**
Discover our Exhibitors
Exhibition Areas

9:00 AM - 10:30 AM **Policy**
3.1 EVs & Parking: Behavior, Challenges and Solutions (Policy Session)
Room Auditorium
Partner
3.2 Curbside Management – EU funded DISCO Project: Innovative Solutions to Reshape Urban Space (Partner Workshop by DISCO)
Room Riverside 6
EPA
3.3 European Women in Parking (EPA initiative launch, sponsored by Automatic Systems & Autopay)
Room Riverside 1
Sponsor
3.4 Rethinking Infrastructures to Accommodate New Local Urban Services (Sponsored Workshop by INDIGO)
Room Studio
Sponsor
3.5 Together towards an open urban mobility ecosystem (Sponsored Workshop by SKIDATA)
Room Aquarium

Sponsor
3.6 AI in Parking and Mobility (Sponsored Workshop by Quinta Consulting)
Room Cinema

10:30 AM - 11:00 AM **Networking**
Coffee Break
Exhibition Areas

11:00 AM - 12:30 PM **Policy**
4.1 European Mobility Data Space – Opportunities for Parking (Policy Session)
Room Auditorium

Partner
4.2 Paving the Way for Automated Valet Parking: Driving Market Adoption through Collaboration (Partner Workshop with EAVP)
Room Aquarium

Partner
4.3 POLIS joint Parking/Clean Vehicles & Air Quality Working Group (Partner Workshop by POLIS) – How to Synergize EV Charging and Parking Strategies?
Room Studio

EPA
4.4 Cross-Border Enforcement of Parking Infringements (EPA WG Workshop)
Room Riverside 1

Sponsor
4.5 The Original Free flow – A barrierless access is the tip of the iceberg of Autopay's fully digitalised parking management system (Sponsored Workshop by Autopay)
Room Cinema

Sponsor
4.6 Mastering EV Charging in Parking: from strategy to execution (Sponsored Workshop by Greenflux)
Room Riverside 6

12:30 PM - 2:00 PM **Networking**
Lunch Break
Exhibition Areas

2:00 PM - 3:00 PM **Plenary**
Closing Plenary Session
Room Auditorium

3:00 PM - 4:30 PM **EPA Members Only**
EPA General Assembly (EPA members only)
Room Restaurant



Conference Highlights

Key Notes – Plenary Sessions

● Opening Plenary Session

Wednesday, September 17, 2025

11:00 AM - 12:30 PM (CEST)

Room Auditorium

- Opening by Nigel Williams, EPA President
- Keynote speech by the EU Commissioner for Sustainable Transport & Tourism Apostolos Tzitzikostas (invited)
- Keynote speech by Minister Theo Francken, Belgian Minister of Defence and Foreign Trade on “The dual use of infrastructures and more specifically of car parks” (pending final confirmation)

Opening statements and panel debate with:

- Paola Cossu, CEO FIT Consulting, Board of Directors ALICE
- Dr. Giuliano Mingardo, Deputy Director Erasmus Centre for Urban, Port and Transport Economics, Erasmus University Rotterdam
- Karen Vancluysen, Secretary General, POLIS
- Joost Vantomme, CEO, ERTICO – ITS Europe
- Moderated by Tom Antonissen, EPA Executive Director & Theo Thuis, EPA Scientific Committee Chair

● European Parking Awards Ceremony

Wednesday, September 17, 2025

4:00 PM - 6:00 PM (CEST)

Room Auditorium

Get ready for an unforgettable moment celebrating the very best in European parking! The European Parking Awards shine a spotlight on excellence, innovation, and impact across our industry. Often dubbed “the Oscars of the Parking World,” this prestigious event recognises the standout projects, companies, and teams who are redefining our industry.

From an impressive 54 entries, our expert Pre-Selection Committee chose 24 outstanding finalists. During the ceremony, the jury’s

winners across eight categories will be revealed live on stage, followed by a tribute to Professor Donald Shoup, book presentation ‘The Shoup Doctrine – Essays Celebrating Donald Shoup and Parking Reforms’ by Professor Daniel B. Hess, PhD, School of Architecture and Planning, University at Buffalo, State University of New York.

Following the Awards Ceremony, a Networking Reception and Walking Dinner will be held in the exhibition areas, allowing all finalists to showcase their projects to the Conference delegates.

Join us to celebrate the people driving change in our industry—it’s set to be one of the most inspiring highlights of the conference!

And to help you prepare, we’ve created a Special Edition of Parking Trend International, showcasing all 54 entries using the submitted texts and visuals. It offers a rich snapshot of the creativity, technology, and innovation shaping the parking sector today—and might even help you decide who you think should take home the award in each category.

Speakers

- Tom Antonissen, European Parking Association (EPA aisbl)
- Stefan Sadleder, Vice President EPA / APCOA Austria GmbH
- Laurence A. Bannerman, President Emeritus EPA / AIPARK
- Daniel Hess, University at Buffalo, State University of New York

● Closing Plenary Session

Thursday, September 18, 2025

2:00 PM - 3:00 PM (CEST)

Room Auditorium

- Keynote speech by Eurocities Presidency (invited)

Closing statements by:

- Tom Antonissen, EPA Executive Director
- Dr. Giuliano Mingardo, Main Rapporteur
- Theo Thuis, EPA Scientific Committee Chair



Conference Highlights

Sponsored Workshops

● 1.4 Cybersecurity in Parking (Sponsored Workshop by Q-Park)

Wednesday, September 17, 2025

9:00 AM - 10:30 AM (CEST)

Room Studio

Cybersecurity in the parking industry is becoming increasingly important as digital payment systems, automated parking solutions, and data-driven technologies become more widespread. Some of the key aspects that will be discussed:

- Data Security & Privacy embedded in the collection of sensitive information by parking facilities
- Threat Detection with AI helping parking operators respond proactively
- Cloud Storage & Security of parking systems
- Cyber-Risks in Mobile Parking Apps
- User Privacy & Compliance to ensure transparency and protect user data

Featured Speakers:

- Simen Van der Perre, Strategic Advisor, Orange Cyberdefense
- Frank De Moor, CEO, Q-Park

● 1.5 Multifunctional Use of Parking Spaces as Urban Logistics Micro Hubs (Sponsored Workshop by APCOA)

Wednesday, September 17, 2025

9:00 AM - 10:30 AM (CEST)

Room Aquarium

Co-organized by the Alliance for Logistics Innovation through Collaboration in Europe (ALICE), this workshop will explore the potential of repurposing traditional parking infrastructure into multi-functional logistics hubs for operations such as transshipment and micro-consolidation, through dynamic management of the space and timesheet. Examples from current practices will be explored to inspire further discussions on possibilities around innovative uses of urban parking spaces for logistics operations, towards developing guiding principles and actionable ideas to implement similar models.

Featured Speakers:

- Nicola Veratelli, CEO, APCOA
- Joy Pasquet, Transport Strategy & Policy Lead, FR BE LUX, Amazon Logistics (TBC)
- Tobias Spannbaumer, Managing Director, Business Unit Logistics & Services, MOSOLF Group
- CityLogin (TBC)
- UPS (TBC)
- Moderator: Marion Cottet, Deputy Programme Manager – Urban Logistics, ALICE

● 2.4 Resilience & Military Preparedness (Sponsored Workshop by Interparking Group)

Wednesday, September 17, 2025

2:00 PM - 3:30 PM (CEST)

Room Studio

The concept of resilience and military preparedness for car parks in Europe is gaining attention, particularly in the context of urban security and infrastructure protection. This workshop will explore how parking facilities can contribute to broader security strategies.

Some key considerations include:

- Dual-use infrastructure: car parks can serve as emergency shelters or staging areas for crisis response.
- Security enhancements: Measures such as surveillance, reinforced structures, and controlled access can improve resilience.
- Integration with urban defense strategies: Parking facilities can be part of a city's preparedness plan, ensuring mobility and logistics support during emergencies.

The EU Preparedness Union Strategy also emphasizes a whole-of-society approach to resilience, incorporating civilian and military co-operation.

Featured Speakers:

Case studies from Belgium, Finland, Switzerland, Spain

- Belgian Ministry of Defense (TBC)
- President Finnish Parking and Mobility Association (TBC)
- Damien Zuber, SwissPark President
- Manuel Barrios, ASESga President
- Moderator: Roland Cracco, EPA Board Member, President Belgian Parking Federation, CEO Interparking Group

● 2.5 Ready to Make Your City More Liveable? Here's How (Sponsored Workshop by Arrive ex-EasyPark)

Wednesday, September 17, 2025

2:00 PM - 3:30 PM (CEST)

Room Cinema

Key aspects that will be discussed:

- How Data Makes Cities More Livable?
- Outline: Cities rarely have a clear and up-to-date overview of their actual parking capacity. With the help of technology, managing parking - from inventory to day-to-day operations - becomes simpler and more efficient. Followed by a Q&A.

Keynote speaker:

Cong Dinh - Head of Insights EU, Arrive ex-EasyPark





- **Smart Tariffs – A Strategic Leap in Parking Management**
Parking spaces are in high demand but low availability, especially in residential streets and busy city centres. Cities often want to control who uses these spaces and one common method is enabling certain types of drivers and dissuading others based on factors like carbon emissions, size of a vehicle and more social elements. In this panel we'll discuss the pro's and con's of traditional dynamic pricing as well as how it can even be taken one step further and be used as a tool to help a city socio-economically. Followed by a Q&A.
- **Host:** Morten Hother Sørensen - Head of Distribution/Sales Europe, Arrive ex-EasyPark

Panel:

- Damien Raynaud, Project Manager for New Parking Policy, City of Lyon
- Several city representatives (TBC)

● 3.4 Rethinking Infrastructures to Accommodate New Local Urban Services (Sponsored Workshop by INDIGO)

Thursday, September 18, 2025

9:00 AM - 10:30 AM (CEST)

Room Studio

As strategic urban infrastructures, car parks are being transformed to accommodate new forms of mobility, while facilitating and decarbonizing the transport of goods to city centres. Parcel collection, storage, charging stations for electric vehicles, bicycle infrastructure, urban logistics... these are just some of the developments that meet the challenges of a calmer, less polluted city. With the example of an ambitious pilot project of over 20,000 m² in the heart of Paris, a pioneer in this urban transition.

Featured Speakers:

- Sébastien Fraisse, President of the Executive Board, INDIGO
- Xavier Heulin, Deputy Managing Director, Urban Shift, INDIGO
- Rémi Goleger, CORSALIS
- Fabio Coppo, CORSALIS

● 3.5 Together towards an open urban mobility ecosystem (Sponsored Workshop by SKIDATA)

Thursday, September 18, 2025

9:00 AM - 10:30 AM (CEST)

Room Aquarium

In partnership with the MaaS Alliance, this workshop will explore best practices and case studies in smart mobility and smart parking management solutions. Participants will tackle the conundrum on how to keep (inner) cities accessible and livable with multimodal transport services and smart parking management solutions.

Featured Speakers:

- Thomas Pühringer, Senior Director - Head of Solution Portfolio Management, SKIDATA
- Peter Staelens, Head of Mobility, Eurocities
- MaaS Alliance members (TBC)
- Moderator: Roelof Hellemans, Secretary General, MaaS Alliance

● 3.6 AI in Parking and Mobility (Sponsored Workshop by Quinta Consulting)

Thursday, September 18, 2025

9:00 AM - 10:30 AM (CEST)

Room Cinema

An early-stage workshop exploring how artificial intelligence can optimize pricing strategies in parking management. This topic will be presented and shaped with the support of selected experts and data providers.

Featured Speakers:

- Wouter Steenstra, Monit Data
- Paul Bloemen, SpecifAI
- Dr. Bernd Bienzeisler & Vincent P. Göbels, Fraunhofer IAO
- Moderator: Dr. Mark Friesen, Quinta Consulting

● 4.5 The Original Free flow – A barrierless access is the tip of the iceberg of Autopay's fully digitalised parking management system (Sponsored Workshop by Autopay)

Thursday, September 18, 2025

11:00 AM - 12:30 PM (CEST)

Room Cinema

Featured Speakers:

- Taking parking management to the centre of the digital parking stage Mikkel Neple, Commercial Director, Autopay Technologies AS, Norway
- Airport Parking Management – Fully digital integrated parking: the choices for customer and operational satisfaction
- Gunnar Ingi Hafsteinsson, Department Manager – KEF Parking, ISAVIA – National Airport and Air Navigation Provider, Iceland
- The Westfield Malls – The state of art parking experience
- Simon Erlandsson, Managing Director, Parkman, formerly Senior Operating Manager, Unibail – Rodamco – Westfield, Sweden
- A Round Table Discussion: A deep dive behind the scenes into the reality of the comprehensive, fully digitalised parking as a service platform
- Moderator: Laurence A. Bannerman, EPA President Emeritus, AIPARK Secretary General

● 4.6 Mastering EV Charging in Parking: from strategy to execution (Sponsored Workshop by Greenflux)

Thursday, September 18, 2025

11:00 AM - 12:30 PM (CEST)

Room Riverside 6

With the rise in electric vehicle (EV) sales across Europe, urban mobility is undergoing a transformation. Parking operators are uniquely positioned to take the lead in EV charging operations. But how can you successfully transition from a parking operator to a charge point operator (CPO)?

We'll share best practices from our parking customers across Europe. Discover how to unlock the full potential of EV charging and turn your charging operations into a competitive advantage.

Keynote Speaker:

- Rogier Wissink, Head of Customer Solutions, GreenFlux

EXHIBITION FLOORPLAN

On pages 26/27, you will find a large hall plan that you can tear out.

Conference Venue

The EGG

Venue of the 21st European Parking Conference & Exhibition is "The EGG", a New York-style building located near the Brussels-South train station. This exceptionally sustainable conference centre offers a variety of spaces, from workshop rooms to plenary sessions and exhibition areas, providing ample opportunities for networking and learning.

Unique and Sustainable

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Interview with Arrive's Heidi Wildemann, Giuliano Caldo

“Our aspiration is to simplify people's lives”

Arrive Germany, one of Europe's leading providers of digital mobility solutions with well-known brands such as EasyPark, has appointed Heidi Wildemann as its new Managing Director for the German market. Giuliano Caldo, Head of South & Central Europe at Arrive, is responsible for Germany, Austria, Switzerland, Italy, Spain and Portugal. We spoke to both of them during the PARKEN exhibition in Wiesbaden, Germany.

Hello everyone, can you tell us a little bit about yourself?

Heidi Wildemann (H.W.): I'm Heidi. My background originally was in banking, but for the last ten years I've worked in scale-up companies across Europe. I'm based out of Berlin, but I've travelled a lot. So I'm really quite enthralled by the very international setup of Arrive because that's what I really like and what I'm comfortable with. Yet at the same time I get to stay in my home market. I actually used to be the head of finance and operations and then later managing director for ParkNow in Germany. I met Arrive, former EasyPark Group, when they acquired ParkNow and I did a very thorough handover with them and that's where we decided to keep in touch.

From where do you work?

H.W.: I'm based in Berlin, where we have an office, but we also currently have offices in Hanover and Kiel. I try to be there as much as possible as well as visiting clients. I'm on the road a lot at the moment.

And you, Giuliano?

Giuliano Caldo (G.C.): I'm based in Rome. I either walk to work or take the airplane to work because I'm responsible for Germany, Austria, Switzerland, Italy, Spain and Portugal. I'm also the country manager for Italy, and I have oversight over the country managers in the other countries. So I travel quite a bit.

EasyPark is such a famous brand, why this change to the new brand Arrive?

G.C.: Well, EasyPark is a very well-known brand in Germany and in many countries of the world. But it's very specific to parking.



Heidi Wildemann,
Managing Director Arrive Germany



Giuliano Caldo,
Head of South & Central Europe at Arrive

Now we are in a situation where we actually have several technologies that are not only related to parking, but also to payment, transport, and advanced services to cities. Therefore, we wanted to think of something that was about mobility more than about parking. Arrive means – you get to the end, you arrive somewhere. You can arrive by car, you can arrive by bus, and we have solutions for payment in the buses or in the subway. So that's really part of the value proposition. We think of it as an optimistic way of mobility.

So you want to underpin that you are doing more than parking.

G.C.: More than parking, and also it has an undertone – in my view – of technology. Because with technology you get instant gratification, technology will help you arrive. For this reason, technology is dedicated to mobility, not just part of it.

It is often said people don't go for parking they go for shopping or other activities.

G.C.: Parking is a very complex matter. In people's minds the purpose is that of shopping. You don't go out to park. And so, the parking experience needs to be as smooth, as simple, as painless as possible. And this is the goal: We want to make cities more livable. We have this aspiration to improve things in the city. We use a lot of technology with hundreds of millions of transactions per year that can be analysed in 20,000 cities around the world where we operate. And then we can use the experience at the global level to apply it in a city like Baden-Baden or Frankfurt or Berlin or any other city in Germany. We use our global experience to help cities at the local level.

What practical consequences does your change of name have?

G.C.: Drivers in Germany will still park with EasyPark. We're not going to change the EasyPark logo because it is a very well-known brand. Everything else is going to be Arrive, it is an umbrella brand for the whole

thing and is going to absorb most of the brands except EasyPark. We will practically try to integrate all of the technology and all of the processes, even the companies. There's Flowbird Germany, there's EasyPark Germany, Heidi is the 'Geschäftsführer' (CEO) of both in an integrated way.

H.W.: I think the same way the consumer doesn't want to think about the headache of managing the journey and managing the parking technology. This also applies to our partners, the cities and operators. They want to improve life in their cities for their citizens and we can offer them that. They don't need to run for the parking meter to this company, for data to that company and for digital payments to another company. We can now offer the whole tool-set and want to become their most reliable partner across the board of these solutions – to also reduce the headache of managing mobility and achieving city goals for them.

That is why you have invested heavily in recent months with the acquisition of Flowbird, Parkopedia and so on?

G.C.: Yes, we do investments both in companies but also in software. We have 4,000 employees of which maybe half are developers or in IT. And that's dedicated to essentially parking, transport, mobility. Because we can see that there is a lot of complexity of corner cases when you park into a garage. You need a lot of brain power to do that.

What is your goal?

G.C.: Our aspiration is to simplify people's lives in a very practical way, not just in parking, also in mobility.

Rules and regulations are totally different, for example here in Germany. How do you deal with that?

H.W.: Sure that's a challenge, but I think actually it's a really great opportunity because whenever I have a problem in the German market I can leverage the international organization. One of my many country director

colleagues will have had a similar problem before or could at least brainstorm on the solution. And I think especially in the German market we're seeing a lot of trends to emerging right now that have already expanded much more in international contexts.

Can you give an example?

H.W.: For example, if we're looking at things like scan cars in order to do much more and cost-effective enforcement. That's something where in the German market the regulation isn't quite there yet. But we hear from our partner cities that they see this trend elsewhere and they're really interested in it because there's a shortage of enforcement professionals across Germany. And I think that is one of the pain points we can help solve. And we also have experience with how we turned the market in other countries, how we helped turn the market for our partners.

Is Arrive's vision also to become market leader in all of the countries you are present in?

H.W.: It's our ambition to become the most reliable partner the city turns to when it comes to managing its plans for mobility. We want to have a solution for any problem partner cities have.

G.C.: I absolutely agree. We are at the service of the city and its citizens. That's our mission. Together we make cities more livable because we do not exist by ourselves, we exist through strong collaboration with cities and with other technology providers within the environment.

H.W.: Smart parking is also an important point. The open market models that we have in a lot of German cities – giving customers a chance to choose the parking app that they want to use, that also plays into this collaborative approach.

A few years ago, EasyPark was mainly active in the on-street parking sector. Now

there are partnerships with Q-Park and other off-street operators. Is it your strategy to get into the car parks?

H.W.: Absolutely. I think that goes back to the multi-modal concept of a ride. It doesn't make sense if you need one app to park your car in a parking garage. And then, on the street, you need to park with another one, and in the next town, you need a third app or something. So, private operators and car parks is an area we're really investing in. We have found internationally, that once you have a certain coverage on the on-street parking in a certain area, then it also makes sense to develop the market at that point. And now we also have the hardware and can even integrate our solutions across that portfolio.

Last question: How do you like the event so far? How did you like it? Was it successful?

H.W.: This is great because I haven't been in the parking industry for a couple of years and so it was really good to meet some people again but also to meet lots of new people. It also gives me a chance to be really present with the team. I think there's some really good demonstrations and I find the parking industry in general is very collaborative. There are a lot of our partners, not just competitors.

G.C.: I love the technology. I think that there's so many things that have been invented and tested and presented here which are not adopted yet. And so the future is already here, we just need to make sure that the technology that exists today is distributed evenly across all places in the world, in particular in Germany. I see a lot of things. We can already deploy not just our solutions but also the advances by all of the people presenting here. So I feel very optimistic about the future with all of this technology.

The interview was conducted by Marko Ruh, editor-in-chief of Parking trend international.

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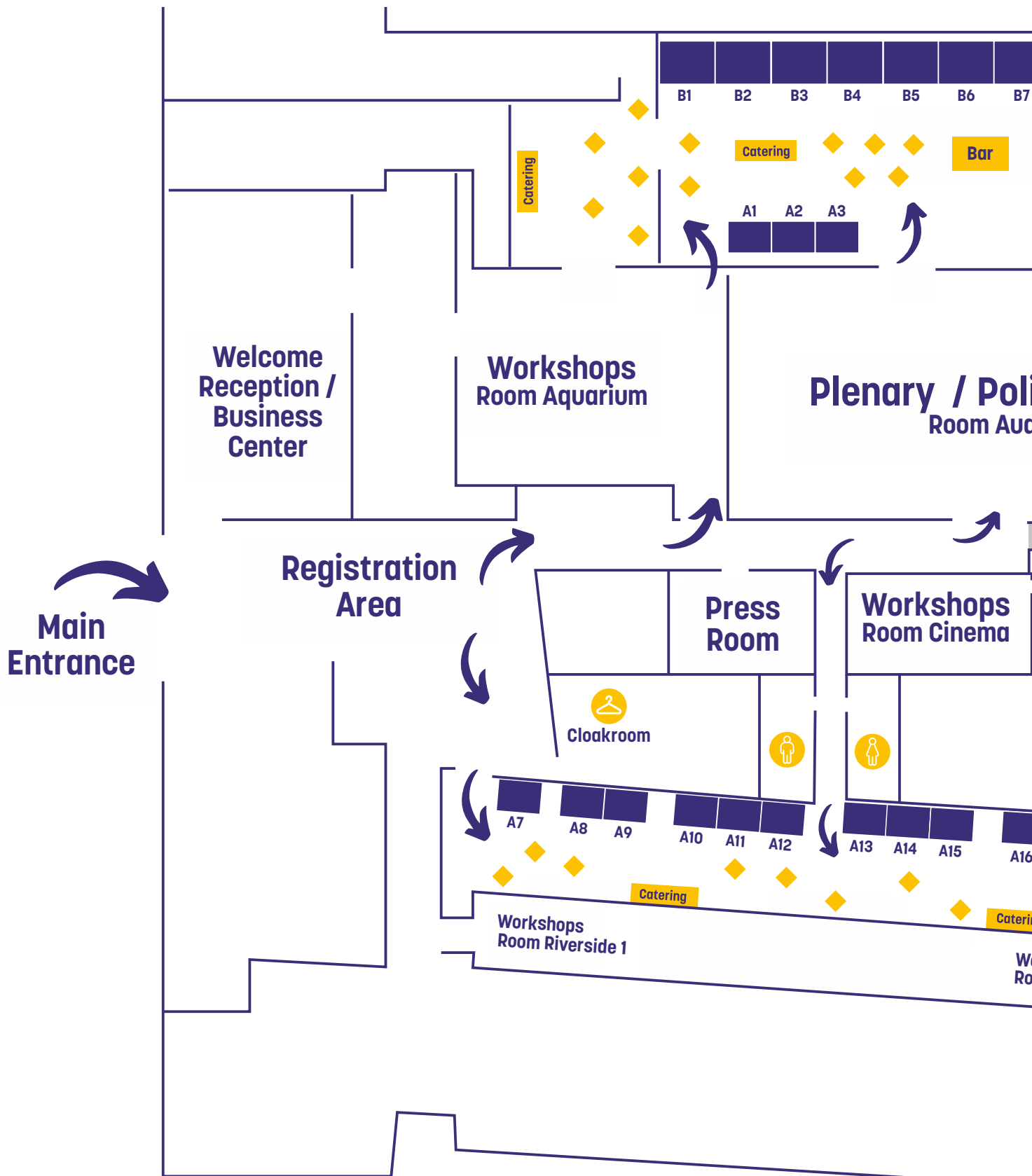
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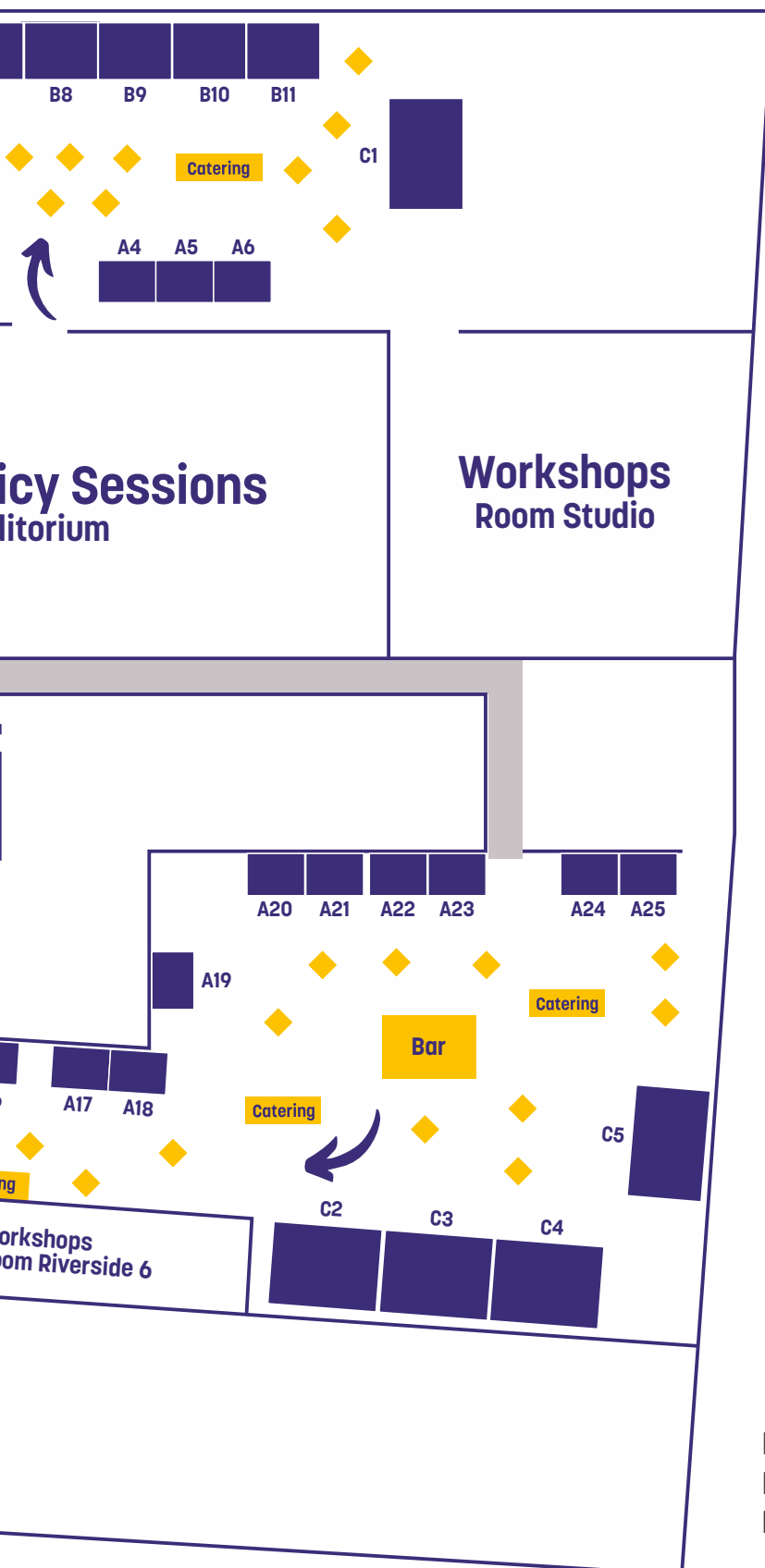
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Parking Space Management – Fair & Efficient

Available parking spaces when they are needed – that's our goal. With ETI-Park, operators can decide who is allowed to park, under which conditions, and enforce these rules with ease. From customised signage and our user-friendly app to direct integration with free-flow camera systems, we provide a complete solution against unauthorised parking.

We take care of everything else: international vehicle owner identification, legally compliant payment notices, and transpar-

ent insights via our customer portal. From small medical practices to international car park networks, we adapt flexibly – always with a focus on fairness and understanding.

We are currently expanding our free-flow integration across Europe, supporting both large operators and event organisers.

The result: less stress, more available spaces, and peace of mind – for operators, customers, and visitors alike.

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Elevating the Customer Experience Space by Space

With our PARK ASSIST solutions, we advance your operations, maximize revenue, and elevate the parker experience. With a global footprint of over 1.25 million parking spaces and time-to-park reduced by up to 63%, we deliver measurable impact at scale.

How? Partnering with leading institutions like Álvaro Cunqueiro Hospital, in Vigo, Spain and Erasmus MC Hospital, Rotterdam we deliver smart parking systems that do exactly that for patients, visitors, and staff alike.

From reducing time to park and providing real-time data, to offering intuitive signage and bidirectional traffic detection with over 96% accuracy, our solutions are transforming hospital campuses—and beyond.

That same intelligence is redefining parking in retail environments, where security and accountability are critical. With nearly 70% of drivers unaware of who or what damaged their vehicle in a parking garage, our technology provides crisp HD video, license plate recognition, and space-by-space monitoring. This not only deters theft and vandalism but also resolves disputes quickly and prevents false claims. In one case, a client avoided a costly legal battle when our footage proved the reported vandalism was self-inflicted damage.

Backed by our INX data platform, Park Alerts, and Park Finder tools, we're proud to be at the forefront of parking that goes far beyond guidance—fostering trust, saving money, and taking parking to the next level.

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At Parkster, we make parking digital – and fair. Founded in Sweden, with offices in Lund and Munich, we work closely with cities across Sweden, Germany, and Austria to support smarter, more transparent parking strategies. For us, it's not just about technology – it's about creating real value for both cities and the people who live, work, and visit them. We help cities offer a modern parking experience that is easy to manage, fair to users, and flexible for the future. Freedom of choice is at the heart of what we do. Parkster users can always choose to park without service

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Making Cities Flow Better

Yespark Group is Europe's leading digital platform for long-term and flexible parking. By transforming underutilized private parking into accessible digital assets, we offer a seamless alternative to traditional parking—reducing congestion, emissions, and wasted urban space.

One Group, A Dual Expertise, Two Apps

Formed in 2025 from the merger of Yespark and Zenpark, our group covers both monthly and hourly needs with over 100,000 parking spots across 700+ cities in France, Italy, and Belgium. Drivers can search, try, and rent parking spaces in seconds via smartphone—with no physical badge, and no long-term commitment.

Urban Impact, Real Results

We work with landlords, housing operators, hotels and fleet managers to unlock value from dormant assets. Since our beginning,

our partners earned up to €120M, with zero upfront investment. We've also integrated EV charging in hundreds of locations, aligning with city climate targets and the growing demand for clean transportation.

Innovating with Purpose

From dynamic pricing based on usage data, to remote gate control and contactless access, we're redefining how parking fits into smart urban mobility. Our scalable, asset-light model supports both densified urban centers and low-emission zone strategies—without new construction.

Looking Ahead

As part of the EPA network, we're eager to share our experience and co-develop sustainable, tech-forward parking ecosystems across Europe.

More information: <https://www.yespark.fr/>

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Public Interest in Motion

Founded in 1969 by Geneva's Grand Council, the Fondation des Parkings is an autonomous public institution and Switzerland's leading parking operator. Our mission is to support the canton's mobility strategy, uniquely balancing commercial performance with public utility objectives to prioritize collective benefit. We manage 42,000 parking spaces in 250 facilities - P+R, public/private lots, and vélostations - and 48,000 on-street spaces. Our activities include building and operating parkings, managing digital permits and parking meters as well as parking enforcement.

Sustainability as a strategic priority

Sustainability is a core priority, reflected in our ongoing infrastructure optimisation. In 2024, we replaced over 1,500 lighting fixtures with more energy-efficient models and added smart sensors, saving energy equivalent to the annual consumption of 146 households. A 44-year-old ventilation system was also replaced, halving its energy consumption (approx. 70,000 kWh/year). This commitment extends to using recycled and sustainable materials in new projects.

Promoting active mobility

The Foundation is a key promoter of active mobility. We provide 3,000 bicycle parking spaces in 25 secure "vélostations" in Geneva and nearly 6,000 additional spaces across 40 other vélostations in Switzerland. These are managed via velocity.ch, our digital platform launched in 2018, now used by over two-thirds of the country's vélostations to provide seamless access to secure bicycle parking.

Adapting to future mobility

We constantly adapt to evolving urban mobility needs. To support the EV transition, we offer the most extensive charging network among Swiss parking operators, with over 450 charging points in 45 facilities. Our plan is to reach 1,000 points by the end of 2027.

Through our public service mission, the Fondation des Parkings continues to invest in sustainable infrastructure, embrace digital solutions, and work closely with local and private partners, playing an essential role in shaping the future of urban mobility in Geneva and beyond.



Cross-border P+R concept: A high-level bus service is connecting Gex, Ferney-Voltaire and Geneva.

Fondation des Parkings

Cross-Border Mobility: P+R Service in Ferney-Voltaire

From autumn 2025, Geneva based Fondation des Parkings (FP) will offer its first P+R parking service in France, in partnership with SPL Territoire d'innovation (Terriinnov). This new cross-border scheme combines parking and public transport to encourage commuters to switch to alternative modes of transport before crossing the border.

It is a concrete measure from the Department of Health and Mobility's 2024-2028 parking action plan to ease traffic congestion and improve quality of life in the canton. The result of close collaboration between Swiss FP and its French partner Terriinnov, this pilot project will be launched in the new Hotspot car park in the heart of the Ferney-Genève Innovation development zone. Opened on 4 July 2025, this multi-storey car park is located in the immediate vicinity of the high-level bus service connecting Gex, Ferney-Voltaire and Geneva and the future Tram des Nations. It offers 436 car spaces

and 90 charging points. From autumn 2025, 130 P+R spaces will be available.

Secure Parking and Unlimited Access to Public Transport

For an annual fee of CHF 1,227 including VAT, users will benefit from a secure parking space and unlimited access to public transport in zone 250 (France) and zone 10 (Geneva). "This price, which is comparable to that of P+R facilities located in Geneva, is the result of a partnership in which each stakeholder bears an equal share of the actual cost in order to ensure the attractiveness of the offer," explains Damien Zuber, Managing Director of Fondation des Parkings.

"We are very pleased that the Ferney-Genève Innovation ZAC is able to offer this service for the first time in the French Genevois area. This offer, which is a precursor to the one that will be implemented at the Bisou crossroads in 2028, will provide a concrete and rapid response to traffic congestion at the Ferney-Voltaire customs crossing," explains Vincent Scattolin, President of SPL Territoire d'Innovation.

P+R Facilities Outside the Canton

This initiative in Ferney-Voltaire is only a first step. The FP aims to develop a P+R parking offer outside the canton with 2,000 subscriptions by the end of 2028, targeting strategic locations at competitive rates. Contacts are already underway to extend this model to the canton of Vaud.

"This first partnership, led by the Fondation, fits perfectly with the DSM's strategy of proposing concrete measures to reduce the nuisances associated with increased traffic," emphasises Pierre Maudet, State Councillor in charge of health and mobility. "This measure responds to the need to offer alternatives to crossing the border by private car while improving the quality of life for Geneva residents."

The State Councillor also points out that more than 100,000 parking spaces are currently offered by Geneva-based companies to their employees. In partnership with the business community, the DSM is undertaking a survey of these private facilities in order to optimise their use, encourage carpooling and better guide commuters' mobility choices. ■

List Sponsorship Award 2026

New Ideas for Urban Transport and Parking

The List Group is once again offering its sponsorship award for academic work on the topic of urban transport and parking. The award is aimed at students at technical colleges and universities who are studying transport, parking, individual and public transport, and the development and coexistence of different modes of transport in cities.

The prize is worth 5,000 euros and will be awarded for project work, seminar papers, specialist papers, bachelor's, diploma or master's theses, and conceptual ideas that make a forward-looking contribution to solving traffic and parking problems in cities. Creative contributions to the transport of the future are just as welcome as innovative concepts and ideas. An expert jury consisting of representatives from science, industry, the ÖAMTC (Austrian Automobile, Motorcycle and Touring Club) and the City of



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Vienna, as well as a communications expert, will evaluate the submissions.

The List Group

The List Group based in Vienna has been actively contributing to solving inner-city traf-

fic and parking problems for decades as a private builder and owner of car parks. Through its companies in Austria, Germany, Slovakia, Slovenia, Hungary and Croatia, the group manages over 100 car parks with 50,000 parking spaces. ■

Call for Entries

The call for entries is available at universities and technical colleges in Austria and neighbouring countries and can be downloaded from the website <http://www.list-group.at/foerderpreis>. The deadline for entries for the 2026 List Prize is 15 December 2025. The award ceremony will take place in the first quarter of 2026..

Interparking Polska

Microhub Opens in Wrocław's City Centre

A groundbreaking transformation is underway beneath the iconic National Forum of Music in Wrocław, a city in western Poland. Where cars once dominated, Poland's first shared delivery microhub is now paving the way for cleaner, quieter and smarter urban logistics.

Spanning 500 m², this innovative hub allows delivery vans to transfer goods to cargo bikes and refrigerated cycles. This significantly reduces emissions, noise, and congestion in the city centre while freeing up pavements from parked delivery vehicles.

Kurierzy Rowerowi are already involved. This innovation is an excellent example of how academia and industry can work together to shape the future of logistics in a city.



The project therefore contributes to lower CO₂ emissions and noise pollution, reduces traffic congestion and offers more space for people and less for parked vans. ■



Collective effort for sustainable future

This pioneering initiative is the result of close collaboration between the City of Wrocław, Wrocław University of Economics, Interparking Polska and Wrocławskie Inwestycje. Leading logistics partners such as DPD Polska Sp z o.o., GLS Poland, InPost, Allegro, Makro Cash & Carry, and Wrocławscy



A step toward sustainable urban living: The new microhub in Wrocław's city centre.

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Urbiotica

How to Improve Parking Management for People with Reduced Mobility

Cities face a number of challenges related to mobility and coexistence among all road users. In this context, solutions for controlling and managing parking spaces for people with reduced mobility (PRM) are particularly necessary. Excerpt from a blog post by Urbiotica.

If you look closely and analyse, cities are not fully accessible to people with reduced mobility or functional impairments. It is difficult for blind people or wheelchair users to get around city centres. In the latter case, we must therefore pay attention to drivers who have parking permits for people with reduced mobility and respect their rights.

This is especially true when finding a parking space in cities is a complicated task

due to the limited number of parking spaces and reserved parking spaces are often illegally occupied by unauthorised users despite the associated fines. Since the misuse of reserved parking spaces, which are different from other parking spaces, constitutes a misdemeanour, reliable control is necessary.

The most effective way to achieve this is through the use of technologies developed

by companies such as Urbiotica, which direct authorised users to available parking spaces and generate warning messages to parking enforcement services in the event of violations.

PRM cards: what are they for?

Parking spaces for people with reduced mobility are reserved for wheelchair users, people who need two walking aids to walk,

people with severe mental disabilities or people who have difficulty moving on uneven ground or stairs. These individuals have the right to apply for a parking space near their home, workplace or place of education. These are permits for the use of public roads with an exclusive reservation for the parking of a single vehicle, which can only be used in conjunction with a specific licence plate.

To reserve these parking spaces, this group of people can apply for a PRM card (EU parking card for people with disabilities), a personal and non-transferable ID card. This card allows them to park in parking spaces for people with reduced mobility in Spain and other European Union countries without restrictions. The PRM card can be used in any vehicle in which the cardholder is travelling, who must always be present when the card is used.

ParkCTRL: Solution for parking management

Taking into account the situation described above, Urbiotica has developed an intelligent solution for managing and controlling parking spaces for PRM. It enables comprehensive control of the use of PRM parking spaces and ensures their proper use and compliance with applicable regulations. When a parking space is occupied by an unauthorised user, a warning message is sent to the parking staff via the ParkCTRL app. This means that violations are detected immediately, which reduces the cost of monitoring parking spaces compared to previous methods and increases the availability of free parking spaces.

The solution uses U-Spot sensors, built-in magnetic sensors or recognition software with cameras and artificial intelligence to

detect the arrival, presence and departure of vehicles in each parking space. It also offers advantages by directing people with reduced mobility to available parking spaces in their vicinity, thus preventing unnecessary turning manoeuvres with the vehicle. The robust vehicle detection technology is reliable and provides PRM card users with real-time information.

Improvement through deterrence

In short, the system prevents unauthorised persons from breaking the rules and harming people with reduced mobility. At the same time, improved control acts as a deterrent to potential parking offenders. This stops them from occupying parking spaces they are not entitled to, which is a significant benefit for people with reduced mobility. ■

Promotion

mobility CONNECT

Connecting the World of Parking

Harness the potential of mobility CONNECT and engage with an extensive network of mobility providers and parking facility operators.

Through the automatic integration of new platform partners, your parking facility can seamlessly enhance its capabilities, thereby attracting a larger customer base as digital access renders your facility a more convenient option. Provide a ticketless entry and exit experience through license plate recognition, ensuring a smooth and hassle-free process for users. Maintain oversight with real-time reporting of all digital transactions, and benefit from cost savings achieved through reduced cash handling and minimized equipment wear. Elevate your operations with mobility CONNECT and transform your parking management today.

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- **Step 1:** Operator or owner connects with mobility CONNECT – integration is simple and seamless via open interface – no conversions required
- **Step 2:** Car park is visible in mobility apps – enhanced presence in digital platforms attracts new target groups and supports improved capacity utilisation
- **Step 3:** User enters ticketless, pays automatically – convenience enabled by licence plate recognition and stored payment details – no tickets, no queues
- **Step 4:** Operator receives live reports & full control – real-time data, monitoring, remote maintenance – all centrally located



A registered motorist enters a car park with number plate recognition without a ticket and via a mobility provider.

Your benefit for your business

Due to the independent position (platform/manufacturer), mobility CONNECT is a multi-purpose system in the broadest sense. As a mobility provider, you benefit from access to a huge network of digitally accessible parking facilities and can thus offer your customers an even better mobility service. For operators, we offer high added value for their service portfolio. With our Software-as-a-Service solution, no additional hardware is required.

Intelligent technologies reduce parking search traffic, increase convenience and optimise the utilisation of your parking facility. ■

BISS

First pay-on-exit parking in Latvia

Milestone in Latvia's parking landscape: Thanks to the collaboration between Snabb, BISS, and Verifone, a new standard has recently been introduced and a fully digital free-flow parking system has been launched.

The project covered four locations in Riga and incorporated off-street, on-street and pay-on-exit parking. BISS supplied and configured five payment kiosks and three pay-on-exit terminals, developed a custom-branded interface and integrated the solution with Snabb's infrastructure. Verifone provided the secure UX700 Android OS payment device, which facilitates secure and reliable transactions and accepts any payment type. Snabb provided the core digital infrastructure that connected and managed all components.

The result is a modern, fully digital parking system designed to support various parking types and user needs. It integrates

ANPR cameras and barriers where needed, real-time data exchange, and flexible payment options — all working together to ensure a smooth, convenient experience for drivers at every location.

First Location in Latvia with pay-on-exit

The shopping centre Origo was the main site of this launch and the first location in Latvia to offer a pay-on-exit parking system. The parking area includes two zones, both equipped with ANPR cameras and automatic barriers provided by Snabb. BISS installed three pay-on-exit terminals positioned at the exit barriers, along with two traditional payment kiosks inside the parking area. This setup provides drivers the flexibility to pay in advance at a kiosk or directly at the exit.

In the pay-on-exit scenario, the process is fast, fully automated, and takes less than 20 seconds. As the vehicle approaches the exit terminal, the license plate number is automatically scanned. The system then retrieves the applicable tariff and displays the amount

due on the screen. The driver simply taps his card for a contactless payment or can use other payment methods. Once the payment is confirmed by Snabb's system, the barrier opens automatically — allowing the driver to exit smoothly and hassle-free.

Off-street parking

At both Radisson Blu hotel locations, Snabb operates barrier-controlled off-street parking using ANPR cameras for entry and exit tracking. BISS installed a payment kiosk at each hotel, allowing guests to enter their license plate number and view the calculated parking fee, which is automatically retrieved from Snabb's system, and complete the payment on-site. Once paid, BISS sends a confirmation back to Snabb's system to allow barrier exit. The setup provides a smooth experience for hotel guests without needing any physical tickets or apps.

On-street parking

Unlike the other locations, Lastādijas iela is an open, on-street parking zone without ANPR or barriers. Here, BISS installed a stand-alone pay station where drivers manually enter their license plate number and select the desired parking time. In this case, tariff calculation is handled directly by the BISS system. After payment, confirmation is sent to Snabb for enforcement purposes, and a digital receipt is available via QR code or email. This setup shows how BISS terminals can work flexibly even in open environments.

Custom interface for Snabb

The providers consider the customized user interface developed for the Snabb payment kiosks to be one of the most important elements of this introduction. Instead of a generic user experience, every terminal — whether on the street, in a hotel or at an exit — follows Snabb's visual identity. The screens, workflow, language and logic have been designed to reflect the Snabb brand and provide drivers with a consistent and professional experience from start to finish. ■



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BISS is setting new standards for parking in Latvia.



Electra – here a photo of fast chargers in France – is integrating Spark Alliance into its own application and adding smart charging features.

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Europe's Largest Fast-Charging Network in One App

Electra, European pioneer in fast charging and market leader for fast charging stations in France and Belgium, is setting new standards in user-friendliness: the Electra app now displays all charging points in the Spark Alliance, Europe's largest interoperable fast charging network.

As one of the first members of the alliance, Electra is seamlessly integrating the entire network – over 11,000 charging points from Electra, Fastned, Ionity and Atlante – into its own application. In addition to the new network coverage, users of the Electra app benefit from an intelligent trip planner that automatically recommends the best charging stops based on vehicle type, route and real-time traffic data and provides a cost estimate for the planned stops.

Focus on Charging Convenience

The Spark Alliance brings together four leading charging infrastructure providers: Electra, Fastned, Ionity and Atlante. With the integration of all Spark Alliance charging points into the Electra app, users now have access to Europe's largest interoperable fast-charging network and can start charging at any charging station in the alliance without having to switch apps.

Paul Tonini, Country Manager of Electra Germany: "We believe in open solutions and customer benefits rather than platform thinking. That's why we are integrating the entire Spark network into our app.

For a seamless charging experience, we enable customers to start charging processes with all partners from within our app."

This allows drivers to conveniently search for charging stations in the Electra app, filter charging points and navigate directly to the nearest available station. All Spark Alliance partner stations can be accessed directly and started from the app, just like Electra hubs. The prices of the respective charging station provider apply.

Intelligent Trip Planner

Based on the battery level, the selected route and real-time traffic data, the Electra app automatically calculates sensible charging times. According to the provider, the average charging time at Electra stations is only 20 minutes, which is significantly below the market average. The fast-charging stations, with a capacity of up to 400 kW, are located along major European routes, holiday destinations and intermodal transport hubs.

Alessandro Inderbitzin, General Manager for the DACH region at Electra: "Our mission is clear: charging should be easy, fast and stress-free. Especially in summer, we want to show that electric mobility works comfortably."

11,000 Usable Stations

Electra now operates a total of 2,600 charging points in ten countries. The integration of Spark Alliance immediately increases the number of usable stations to over 11,000 – with network availability of over 99 per cent. ■

Arivo

New Generation of Parking Hardware

At this year's PARKEN trade fair in Wiesbaden/Germany, Arivo presented its new generation of parking hardware. Two core components were showcased: the cashless payment terminal and the exit station, which is used at the exit of barrier-controlled systems—representing Arivo's hardware portfolio.

"A parking system that only receives a manual update every two years is simply not built for the world we live in—let alone the one we're heading toward," said Dominik Wieser, founder and CEO of Arivo. "Traditional, hardware-heavy systems are often limited by complex configuration, high renewal costs, and a lack of flexibility to meet evolving demands." Arivo set out to change this—with a platform designed to grow alongside its customers' needs and redefine what modern parking infrastructure can look like.

According to Arivo, all hardware components are fully integrated into a central software ecosystem that supports continuous development, effortless scalability, and long-term adaptability. Each device is built to be robust, reliable, and intuitive to use.

Intuitive Interfaces and Auto-Pairing Setup

The new product line combines contemporary, minimalist design with large touch displays.

plays and clearly structured user interfaces for a seamless user experience. Thanks to Arivo's auto-pairing technology, there's no need for manual setup of IP addresses, IO contacts, or payment terminal configurations. Setup is as simple as pairing Bluetooth headphones with a smartphone. Devices can be installed or replaced in just a few minutes—no technical expertise required. This reduces operator dependence on service teams and enables quick on-site responses.

Updates are rolled out automatically and step by step. "With built-in fallback systems, there's no risk of downtime due to updates," notes Dominik Wieser. Software is downloaded in the background during the day and activated overnight via restart. If an error is detected, the device automatically restores the previous stable version.

Integrated Emergency Call Feature

Each device includes a built-in emergency call function with a configurable contact number, allowing customers to reach the operator's support or customer service directly from the terminal. Authorized staff can open devices via QR code, eliminating the need for physical keys or key safes. This simplifies operations and reduces administrative workload.

From the hardware housing to the motherboard, Arivo developed its hardware en-

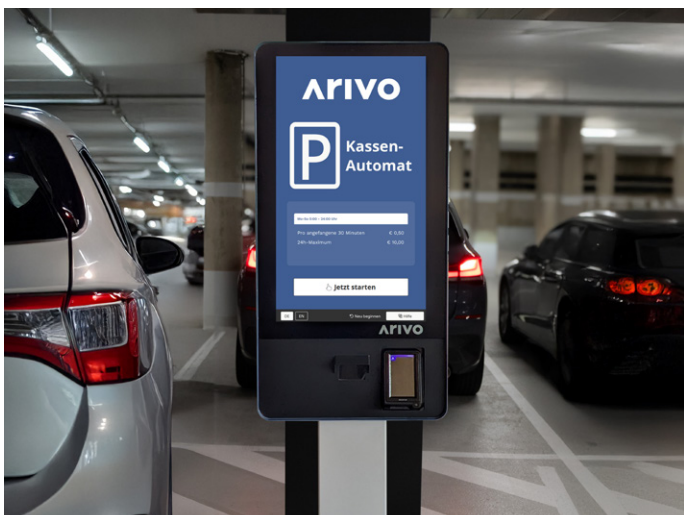


Exit station

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tirely in-house and partners with an Austrian manufacturing firm for production. Using the same components in each device and full control over all key components ensures high supply chain reliability, long-term spare part availability, and independence from external suppliers, says Arivo.

"We may not know which features will matter most three years from now, but we know our customers will be ready with Arivo," says Dominik Wieser. ■



Cashless payment terminal



Presentation of a barrier-controlled system by Arivo at this Year's PARKEN trade fair in Wiesbaden.



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UK Government

£63 Million Boost for Britain's Electric Vehicle Revolution

New funding of £63 million is set to help create a fairer and cleaner future where every family can benefit from cheaper and greener transport. Press release from the Department for Transport, the Office for Zero Emission Vehicles, NHS England.

Motorists across England are set to benefit from the government's recent release of a £63 million investment package to expand electric vehicle infrastructure in the UK, reduce charging costs and put money back into the pockets of working people as part of the Plan for Change.

An initial £25 million programme for local authorities will expand access to cheaper home charging points. This will give consumers access to cheaper tariffs for private households and save them up to £1,500 a year compared to running a petrol or diesel

car, which could fundamentally change the way thousands of households without their own driveways charge their electric cars.

Cross-Pavement Technology

The innovative cross-pavement technology will allow cables to run safely beneath pavements, connecting homes directly to parked vehicles, enabling more families to tap into cheaper domestic electricity rates for as little as 2 pence per mile even if they don't have a driveway.

The fund is the latest move to bolster the UK's growing charging network which has reached a record 82,000 public chargepoints,

with a further 100,000 expected to be installed as a result of the government's Local EV Infrastructure Fund and £6 billion of private investment committed to 2030.

Electrification of Ambulances

To ensure the savings the EV transition can bring are felt in the public sector too, the NHS in England is also receiving a major sustainability upgrade with an £8 million fund to power the electrification of ambulances and medical fleets across over 200 NHS sites, saving millions in costs which can be invested into patient care.



- With this latest investment, the UK government is clearly siding with British motorists. It is part of a comprehensive plan to support motorists, which includes a record investment of £1.6 billion to fix potholes and reduce fuel duty to 5 pence until spring 2026, which the government says will save the average motorist £50 to £60 over the course of the year.

Modernising EV Charging Signage

In a pioneering move to help EV drivers plug into the rapidly expanding charging network, the government is also modernising EV charging signage on major roads. EV charging hubs have more than doubled since the beginning of 2023 and immediate changes will allow larger EV charging hubs to be signposted from major A-roads for the first time. The Government is committed to boosting charging for long journeys, with £400 million announced in the Spending Review to support charging infrastructure, including on the strategic road network.

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Electric ambulance



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Charge Gully, the innovative cross-pavement solution for at-home electric vehicle (EV) charging, started a large scale trial across four Local Authorities in the UK.



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“There are more public chargers than people realise, but they are often hidden in plain sight. Increasing signs for the public network is vital to help the EV transition as it will create confidence for drivers both now and in the future. It is great to see more support for those without off-street parking so that they can also benefit from the EV revolution.”

Edmund King, AA (Automobile Association) president

Alongside the boosts for electric car drivers, the government is also launching a major new grant scheme to help businesses install charging points at depots nationwide, supporting the nation's heavy goods vehicles, vans and coach drivers in the transition to zero emissions. The action follows recent updates to the Zero Emission Vehicle (ZEV) Mandate to make it easier for the sector to switch to electric as part of government's ongoing work to back British manufacturing. With over 1.2 million people employed in the freight and logistics sector in the UK alone, this announcement is the latest move to keep industry at the forefront of international competition in the face of global economic headwinds.

UK largest EV market in Europe in 2024

Owning and buying an EV is becoming increasingly cheaper, with 2 in 5 of used elec-

tric cars sold at under £20,000 and 34 brand new electric cars are available from under £30,000. The UK was also the largest EV market in Europe in 2024 and the third in the world with over 382,000 EVs sold – up a fifth on the previous year. There are now more than 82,000 public chargepoints in the UK – with one added every 30 minutes – ensuring that motorists are always a short drive from a socket. ■



The innovative cross-pavement technology will allow cables to run safely beneath pavements, connecting homes directly to parked vehicles.



“We are making it easier and cheaper to own an electric vehicle. We know access to charging is a barrier for people thinking of making the switch, so we are tackling that head on so that everyone—whether or not they have a driveway—can access the benefits of going electric.”

Transport Secretary Heidi Alexander

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Survision

Front Reading vs. Rear Reading in License Plate Recognition and Vehicle Identification

One of the most important decisions when deploying an LPR system is whether to read plates from the front or rear of vehicles. This choice can significantly impact installation complexity, camera performance, recognition accuracy, and system reliability. It also depends heavily on regional plate laws and vehicle design.

Understanding the pros and cons of both approaches helps operators make informed decisions for their specific use cases.

Front vs. Rear Plate Reading?

Front Reading refers to capturing the vehicle's license plate as it approaches a camera,

typically at entrances of parking lots or checkpoints. This method is highly effective in jurisdictions where front license plates are mandatory, and it's ideal for proactive detection and access control.

Rear Reading is the process of capturing license plates from the back of a vehicle, often after it has entered a facility. This method

is common in regions where front plates are not required, such as many states in the U.S., or when vehicles like motorcycles only display rear plates.

The placement of the LPR camera—whether it faces oncoming or departing vehicles—affects not only the detection angle and lighting conditions but also how early or

late in the process the plate is read, which influences security and system responsiveness.

Regional Variance

LPR usage and plate-reading strategies vary widely around the world. In Europe, most countries require both front and rear license plates, making dual-sided LPR systems standard. France and Germany, for example, issue highly legible standardized plates that work seamlessly with front and rear reading setups. The UK uses white front plates and yellow rear plates, which enhance visibility in various lighting conditions.

In the United States, there’s less uniformity. While 29 states require both front and rear plates, 21 states mandate only rear plates. This creates challenges for nationwide LPR deployments and often leads to rear-reading-only installations. Australia follows a similar model, where license plate requirements and formats differ between states and territories.

The lack of standardization globally means that LPR systems must be adaptable. Camera positioning, optical character recognition (OCR) algorithms, and lighting configurations all need to be fine-tuned to local requirements and vehicle behaviours.

Front Vs. Rear Reading Challenges

Environmental conditions and vehicle configurations can affect LPR performance; moreover, the plate position (rear or back) modifies how these conditions impact LPR accuracy.

Back-In vs. Front-In parking has been a debate for long since both methods offer pros and cons; the case of universities and their parking police is a good example: Often driven by safety and efficiency, many universities require vehicles to park front-in, this solves many problems and brings uniformity and compliance, taking into account that in some places, front plates are optional; however, some think that back-in parking can reduce accidents in pedestrian-heavy environments like campuses, as it allows the vehicle to exit forward and the driver to have a better field of view.

Why Some Regions Use Both Plates – And Others Don’t

The presence or absence of front plates is largely a function of legislative history and administrative policy. In the U.S., for example, states like California and New York mandate front and rear plates for easier enforcement and better visibility, while states like Florida and Arizona do not, citing cost savings and aesthetic concerns.

More advanced in control technologies, European countries generally require both plates for consistent identification from all angles. The rationale includes improved public safety, more reliable toll collection, and better integration with surveillance infrastructure.

Some law enforcement agencies argue that front plates are essential for identifying oncoming vehicles, especially in hit-and-run scenarios or when vehicles are caught on traffic cameras from the front. On the other

hand, regions that favour rear-only plates often cite the minimal enforcement benefit as the reason for the additional cost.

Understanding these legal and cultural differences is crucial for tailoring LPR deployments effectively. Operators must consider not only what’s allowed, but also what offers the best operational outcome based on local conditions and vehicle norms.

Dual-Reading: A Leap Forward in LPR Accuracy

While rear-reading systems are common in regions like the U.S., adding front-reading capability can significantly boost system accuracy. Using Survision’s dual-camera LPR solution, Ontario Airport in California reported a 4% increase in accuracy after implementing a front-read dual reading.

To quantify: in a 100 vehicles per day lane, a 4% increase means 4 additional vehicles accurately recognized daily. Over a week, that’s an increase of 120 monthly vehicles properly captured, a significant reduction on lost revenue, misreads, or access control errors.

This improvement is even more significant in high-traffic environments, such as airports, toll roads, and secure campuses, where thoroughness and reliability are crucial. Survision’s technology enables cameras to communicate with each other, comparing and validating reads from both ends of the vehicle to ensure maximum recognition precision.

Adapting to the Future

With regional regulations continually shifting and technology advancing rapidly, adaptability is crucial. LPR systems that embrace flexible installation strategies and smart data fusion will lead the next wave of intelligent mobility.

The future of license plate recognition isn’t just about reading a single plate—it’s about understanding the entire vehicle. Whether a system uses front, rear, or dual-reading cameras, the end goal is accuracy, efficiency, and reliability. As the industry evolves, we’re seeing a growing interest in multi-angle recognition, AI-assisted vehicle profiling, and broader identification features, such as vehicle make, model, and colour. ■

Challenges	Front Reading	Rear Reading
Dirt	Front plates get dirty faster due to wind and road debris, but are also cleaned more regularly.	Rear plates are protected from frontal debris but stay dirty longer due to lack of airflow.
Damage	Front plates are more exposed to impact from road debris and minor collisions.	Rear plates are often mounted within the vehicle body, reducing exposure and potential damage.
Visibility	Front plates are usually unobstructed and clearly visible as vehicles approach.	Rear plates can be obscured by tow hitches, trailers, bicycles, or mud.
Reflection	Front plates are typically installed horizontally, minimizing sun glare.	Rear plates may be angled, causing glare or headlight reflections at certain times of day.



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Rethinking Destination Charging – Why Bigger Isn’t Always Better

Destination charging refers to EV charging infrastructure installed at locations where drivers naturally spend extended periods of time—hotels, offices, shopping centres, or residential complexes. Thoughts on understanding destination charging.

Unlike highway rapid charging designed for quick top-ups during long journeys, destination charging serves customers who park for hours rather than minutes, fundamentally changing both the technical requirements and business model for charging infrastructure.

The UK EV Market Transformation

The UK electric vehicle market is experiencing rapid transformation as part of a global revolution that will see EVs represent one in four new passenger vehicles sold worldwide in 2025, according to BloombergNEF projections of nearly 22 million battery electric and plug-in hybrid sales globally. Goldman Sachs Research forecasts EVs will

comprise half of new car sales by 2035, but this shift demands massive infrastructure investment estimated at \$1.6-2.5 trillion globally by 2050 for charging infrastructure alone. The UK government faces a particularly ambitious challenge, needing to install at least 300,000 public chargers by 2030, requiring unprecedented daily deployment rates to support the nation’s transition to electric mobility.

However, this infrastructure gold rush has created a misalignment rooted in a fundamental misunderstanding of consumer needs. The industry’s obsession with ultra-rapid charging overlooks that longer charging sessions actually provide superior value—slower charging reduces

infrastructure costs, and creates opportunities for meaningful revenue through retail partnerships at charging locations. McKinsey research reveals that while consumers express preference for faster charging, EV drivers are willing to pay about 10% more for on-highway charging than for destination charging, demonstrating that speed comes at a cost that could be better invested in comfortable, amenity-rich environments encouraging longer, more profitable dwell times. Forward-thinking operators are discovering that destination charging requires a fundamentally different approach—one that prioritizes smart infrastructure planning and ROI maximization.

The Destination Charging Reality Check

Unlike highway service stations or dedicated charging hubs, where drivers need maximum charging speeds during brief stops, destination charging serves a completely different use case. Hotels, offices, shopping centers, and leisure facilities host visitors and employees for extended periods—often several hours or longer. This extended dwell time transforms the charging equation entirely.

“The biggest misconception we encounter is that destination charging needs to mirror the high-power solutions used on motorways,” explains Thomas Herbert, Managing Director at Opcharge UK. “In reality, a hotel guest or an office worker doesn’t need 150kW charging. They need reliable, cost-effective charging that integrates seamlessly with the property’s existing infrastructure.”

Right-Sized Solutions Ensure ROI Advantage

The economics of destination charging favor lower-power solutions like Tritium’s RTM series for several compelling reasons:

- **Lower Capital Investment:** High-power chargers command premium prices, but destination charging rarely requires this level of hardware investment. Lower-power solutions also reduce costs associated with grid connections or modifications to existing site power infrastructure.
- **Higher Utilization Rates:** By aligning power delivery with actual vehicle demand, operators ensure higher utilization against the lower capital investment—the charger is simply in use more of the time. On larger

sites, multiple lower-power charging points can serve more customers simultaneously. “We’ve seen properties achieve payback periods of 2-3 years with thoughtfully deployed lower-power charging infrastructure,” notes a UK Sales Director at Tritium. “The key is matching the charging solution to the actual use case and working within limited site power availability.”

Space Efficiency: Making Every Square Meter Count

Many destination charging locations face unique space constraints that make infrastructure placement particularly challenging. Working a charger and associated bays into an existing site layout comes with challenges, so a compact solution is often essential.

Solutions like Tritium’s RTM series address these challenges through compact designs that maximize parking space utilization. The RTM’s profile allows for installation in tight spaces and challenging configurations.

“Space is at a premium in many destination charging cases,” observes Thomas Herbert at Opcharge UK. “The RTM’s design allows us to install charging points up against walls and in narrow parking bays. This flexibility often means the difference between a DC rapid charger scheme working, or having to revert back to much slower AC solutions.”

Power Infrastructure: Working Within Reality

Perhaps the most overlooked advantage of lower-power destination charging is its compatibility with existing electrical infrastructure. Many existing destination charging loca-

tions struggle with limited electrical capacity, making high-power charging installations complex and expensive.

Lower-power solutions work within these constraints rather than against them through intelligent load management systems that allow multiple lower-power units to share available electrical capacity, optimizing power distribution without requiring infrastructure upgrades.

A Technical Director at Tritium explains: “The RTM range is specifically designed to work with existing electrical infrastructure. We can install a comprehensive charging solution using the power that’s already available on-site, then scale up intelligently as the property’s EV charging needs evolve.”

Looking Forward: The Smart Approach to Destination Charging

As the UK moves toward its 2030 petrol and diesel vehicle ban, destinations that deploy smart, scalable charging infrastructure today will be best positioned for tomorrow’s EV-dominant landscape.

“The properties that succeed in the EV transition will be those that think strategically about their charging infrastructure,” concludes a representative from Opcharge UK. “It’s not about installing the most powerful chargers available—it’s about creating sustainable, profitable charging solutions that serve real customer needs.”

A representative from Tritium adds: “The RTM series represents exactly this kind of strategic thinking. It’s engineered for the specific requirements of destination charging: reliable, space-efficient, and designed to work within the real-world constraints that UK properties face.”

Making the Right Choice for Your Property

For destinations considering EV charging infrastructure, the message is clear: focus on solutions that match your specific use case rather than being swayed by maximum power specifications that may not align with your operational reality.

The future of destination charging isn’t about the fastest possible charging—it’s about the smartest possible charging that balances customer needs, property constraints, and long-term profitability. ■



Fraunhofer IAO, QUINTA Consulting

Optimized Parking Prices Thanks to Artificial Intelligence – A Look Behind the Scenes of an International Research Project

Few industries follow seasonal demand patterns as closely as airport parking. Vacation periods, public holidays, and major events are fixed several months or even years in advance. This is precisely when available parking space reaches its limits and requires operationally and economically efficient management. Until now, many airports have relied on static rate tables, seasonal differentiation, or manual adjustments. A research consortium consisting of Fraunhofer IAO, QUINTA Consulting, and an international airport is now demonstrating for the first time how artificial intelligence (AI) can accurately predict demand for parking spaces and optimally adjust parking prices—with tangible benefits for operators, the environment, and passengers alike.

Starting Point: Lots of Data, Little Transparency

A large amount of information converges at an international airport every day: passenger numbers, flight movements, reservation

data, payment transactions. However, this data is rarely analyzed systematically in terms of how to efficiently manage available parking space. The existing data sources provide ideal conditions for using AI to generate an integrated view of future parking space utilization – the necessary basis for, among other things, optimally adjusting parking prices to demand in real time. The aim of the “AI-enabled parking space pricing” research project is therefore to develop a forecasting and pricing model that addresses the following three questions:

1. How high will parking space utilization be in the coming hours, days, and months?
2. How much are travelers willing to pay at different times for available parking spaces?
3. What price keeps utilization as stable as possible or optimizes revenue without compromising customer satisfaction?

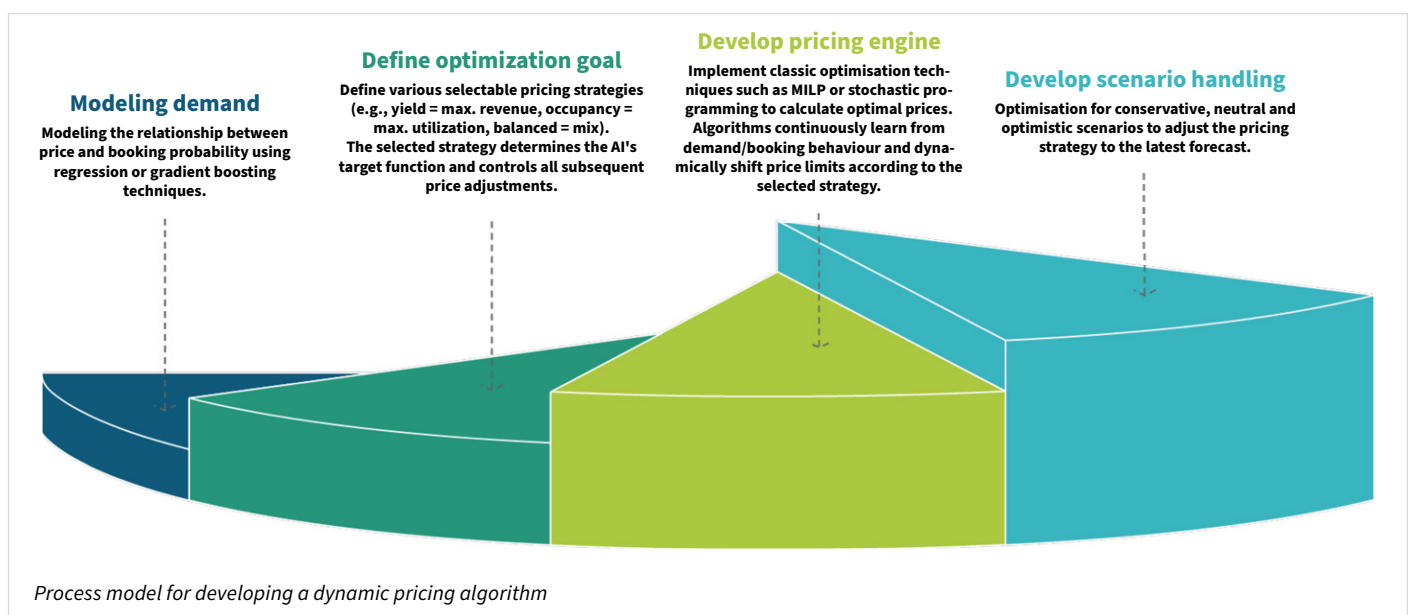
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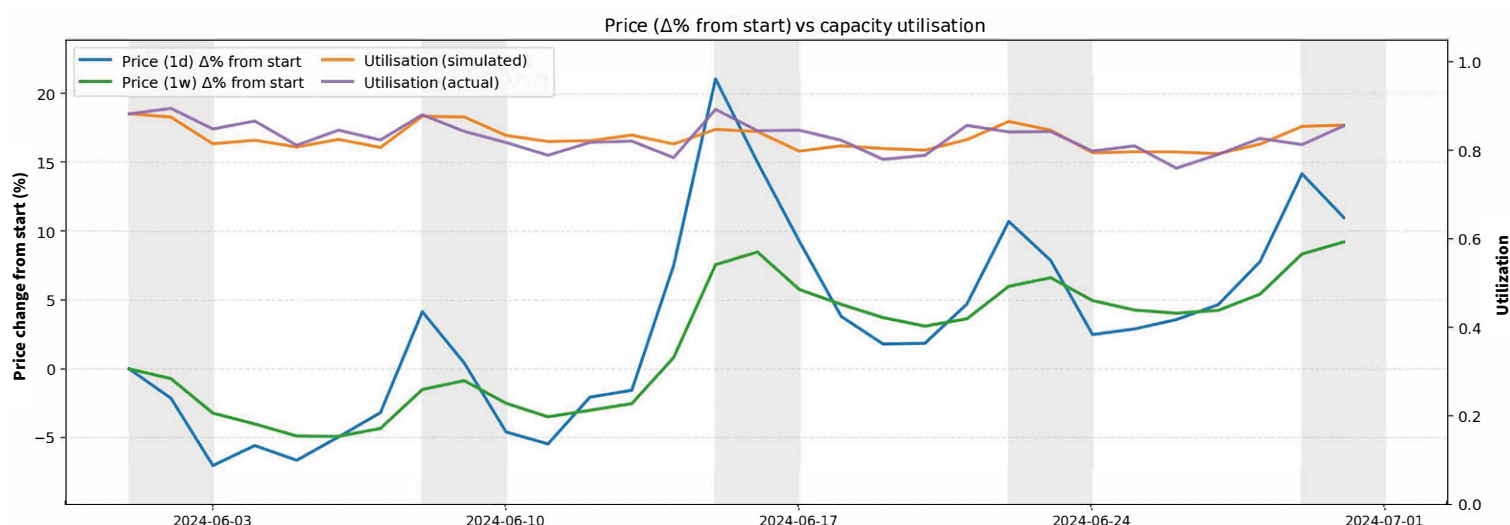
For the forecasting model, all available data

sets were first harmonized: parking transactions (entries and exits, parking duration, fees paid), passenger numbers (arrivals/departures by destination and time), school vacations and public holidays, and infrastructure changes as well as temporary closures or capacity expansions.

An AI-based time series model learns from historical patterns and generates granular forecasts for parking space utilization over the next twelve months. The quality of the model is measured using “explained variance”^[1]; values of over 92% were achieved in the test data set. This means that the AI forecasting model developed explains 92% of the variance in the test data, leaving only 8% of the variability unexplained. This indicates very good model performance.

In preparation for parking price modeling, an online customer survey was conducted among more than 1,000 passengers, using a price sensitivity meter (PSM) to determine their willingness-to-pay for different parking spaces. Three different elasticity





Visualization of a pricing strategy based on the AI algorithm on synthetic data

scenarios were derived from the survey results: conservative, neutral, and optimistic.

From forecast to price recommendation

The AI model generates utilization forecasts for individually definable parking periods. Based on this, an optimization algorithm combines these forecasts with the determined price elasticity. The result is a price recommendation that stabilizes the utilization of each available parking space for each scenario.

For example, at the start of the vacation period from Friday to Sunday, there is high demand for parking spaces in important source markets. The AI algorithm suggests an increase in parking prices of up to +12% for parking spaces close to the terminal at the airport, while long-term parking spaces remain inexpensive. The final pricing decision is deliberately left to the revenue management team: price suggestions are visualized in a dashboard, including expected utilization, additional revenue, and risk indicators. This allows a decision to be made in just a few minutes as to whether the price suggested by the AI should be accepted or manually overridden.

Conclusion

1. Optimized utilization of parking spaces through intelligent price incentives: The AI-enabled pricing model creates targeted incentives for a more balanced utilization of available parking spaces. Price

incentives motivate customers to use less popular parking areas: Long-term parking spaces see reduced turnover and longer parking times, while flexible pricing ensures that short-term parking spaces remain available at short lengths of stay. For the car park management at an airport, this results in significantly improved space management with reduced bottlenecks and optimized capacity utilization.

2. Increased price transparency through digital booking channels: AI-optimized parking prices are initially implemented via the airport's online booking system, giving customers complete transparency about all parking prices available at the time of booking. Unlike opaque surge pricing models, travelers can better understand the pricing rationale and make well-informed purchasing decisions. Digital advance booking also allows price-conscious parkers to plan better and benefit from cheaper rates by booking early.
3. Data-driven operational optimization: The AI-enabled forecasting model continuously generates valuable insights into demand patterns, parking and usage behavior, and price elasticity. This information enables evidence-based development of the parking strategy, e.g., with regard to long-term investment decisions for capacity expansions or infrastructural adjustments.

Outlook

The AI-enabled pricing model will be tested in a pilot parking lot at the airport to measure effects, evaluate functionalities, and gain a deeper understanding of customer price elasticity. With this pilot project, an airport is introducing AI-enabled parking prices into operational use for the first time, proving that intelligent AI algorithms can not only increase revenue in parking, but also help to better smooth out traffic peaks and improve the parking experience – a win-win situation for operators, travelers, and the whole environment alike. ■

If you would like to know more, please contact Philipp Göbels or Mark Friesen. We would be happy to work with you to develop a dynamic pricing strategy for your parking spaces.

Fraunhofer IAO will also present at the EPA Conference 2025 – see p. 20, '3.6 AI in Parking and Mobility (Sponsored Workshop by Quinta Consulting)'.

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[1] Explained variance is a statistical measure that indicates how much of the variability in the dependent variables (target variables) is explained by the model.

CAME Parkare | Exhibitor at 21st EPA Conference & Exhibition, booth A18

Parking Solutions for Different Target Groups

The MEDICPLAZA Health Center in German Waiblingen near Stuttgart offers a parking area with 109 parking spaces for visitors and customers and one parking area for employees. The use of this paid parking area in Waiblingen has been extended to all users except the customers of the medical facility and the restaurants for whom parking will be free of charge. The CAME group was commissioned to install the parking system.

Customer Needs

The parking lot will be used for day visitors, while also providing parking spaces for employees and clients of the medical centre. Restaurant and medical office operators should be able to validate tickets to allow their customers to park for free.

Two parking spaces are available to visitors on the premises of the medical centre, each of which can be accessed via a separate driveway. Both entrances are equipped with an entry terminal that issues a parking ticket with a QR code from a paper roll with a capacity of 6,000 tickets via a request button. Each parking lot has a pay station that can be used to pay with coins, banknotes, credit/debit cards or NFC. The machine gives change when paying in cash. For short drives in, for example to drop



Depending on the customer group: The parking solution combines various functions and requirements in a single system.

off a person for a doctor's appointment, a time frame has been defined in which the person can drive out again free of charge. In addition, ticket validators are available to doctors and restaurants, which can be used to validate parking tickets as paid in order to enable customers to park free of charge in general.

The exit is done by scanning the QR code of the paid or validated tickets at the exit terminal. The barriers are equipped with LED lighting that provides a traffic light function via red and green. The terminals are also equipped with LED lighting that provides visual feedback on the status. A VoIP intercom

system is integrated into the terminals and checkout automation, which customers can use to request help in the event of a fault.

Employee Parking Area

The employee parking area is equipped with a CAME Parkare PKE Slim entry terminal and a GARD GT4 barrier. Employees gain access to the parking lot via the RFID reader integrated into the entry terminal. To leave, the barrier opens automatically when a vehicle approaches. The operator manages the employees' long-term parking cards using the Lince7 parking management software. ■

Nordisk Profil

Danish Car Park with Stylish Aluminium Façade

The Danish city of Aalborg is home to four Nordisk Profil car parks, which feature aluminium panels in the form of the Napsu façade system as the main façade material. One of these is Kornmøllen P2, which creates a very exciting look with its inverted façade strips and various elements. The car park is an example of how other materials can be integrated, in this case in the form of bricks, which give the large building a touch of warmth.

100 Percent Collected and Recycled Aluminium

According to its own statements, Nordisk Profil attaches great importance to climate-friendly and environmentally conscious products. That is why the Danish façade specialist guarantees complete documentation with the EPD values of the market and uses only Greenline Aluminium, which consists of 100 percent collected and recycled aluminium. ■



The Kornmøllen P2 car park in Aalborg was designed by the architectural firm Studio Sangberg using Nordisk Profil's Napsu façade system.

Hectronic

Scan Car for Parking Operations

Waldshut-Tiengen in southern Germany continues to drive the digitalization of parking. Following the introduction of Hectronic's Citea parking machines with integrated license plate functionality and the complete elimination of paper tickets, the next milestone is now underway: the introduction of a scan car. Equipped with cameras and laser technology, these vehicles automatically detect parking activity—naturally in compliance with GDPR and the highest data protection standards.

Successfully Tested in Belgium

Once again, the city of Waldshut-Tiengen can rely on Citea: Automated parking enforcement is based on license plates recorded at the Citea machines, which are made available to the scan car. The interaction between these parking machines and scan cars has been tested in real-world use—such as in Belgium, where similar processes have been successfully implemented for over 15 years.



Scan cars facilitate parking enforcement by authorities.

According to Hectronic, this leads to more efficient and comprehensive parking space monitoring, fairer control for all road users, relief in the face of a shortage of skilled workers in local authorities, and fewer errors

thanks to digital number plate recognition. Bottom line: a real boost of innovation for everyday municipal operations, with pilot operations set to begin in the first half of 2026! ■

Hectronic

Expanding Payment Options for Lisbon

Lisbon is known for its stunning historic city centre, which has for many years been tastefully complemented by Hectronic parking meters in gentian blue – a colour that blends harmoniously into the city's iconic streetscape. Together with local partner Soltráfego, Hectronic is continuously expanding the payment options available at the meters.

Very soon, drivers in Lisbon and other cities like Faro will be able to pay using MB WAY – Portugal's most popular mobile payment service. With over 94 per cent of the population using MB WAY in their daily lives, integrating it into the terminals was the logical next step, says Hectronic. In the coming months, more than 1,200 parking machines in Lisbon will support MB WAY payments. ■



Team members from Hectronic recently visited Lisbon to participate in the first live tests of the new payment feature MB WAY.

Scheidt & Bachmann Parking Solutions | Exhibitor at 21st EPA Conference & Exhibition, booth A1

PBW Goes Live with Cloud-Based Parking System

The PBW – Parkraumgesellschaft Baden-Württemberg mbH is continuing its digitalisation strategy in collaboration with Scheidt & Bachmann Parking Solutions: a new cloud-native parking system has just been successfully launched in Reutlingen.

Following a professional planning phase and smooth on-site implementation, the project was completed on schedule, and the car park went into operation without delay. For drivers, parking is now even easier and more convenient. The modern system includes a total of 125 parking spaces



and offers seamless, ticketless access for both visitors and employees.

entervo infinite

PBW relies on entervo infinite, the cloud-native parking management system from Scheidt & Bachmann Parking Solutions, ensuring an efficient and future-ready parking experience. “We are one of the first operators on the market to use entervo infinite to offer our customers a fully digital parking experience,” says Anja Müller, Managing Director of PBW. “Thanks to the consistently positive results, we’re committed to continuing our digitalisation journey.” ■

Astron Buildings

Eco-Designed Car Park

The Grand Angle car park in Voiron, France, opened this summer. Designed by Astron Mobility, this eco-friendly four-storey car park is intended to be an important step for the city on its journey towards a greener and more pedestrian-friendly city centre.

Grand Angle is part of a larger urban project aimed at making Voiron’s city centre greener and more welcoming. The new car park has 239 parking spaces and is designed to reduce the number of cars parked on the streets. This will create more space for walking, cycling and enjoying city life. A pleasant user experience will contribute to a positive experience of the city.

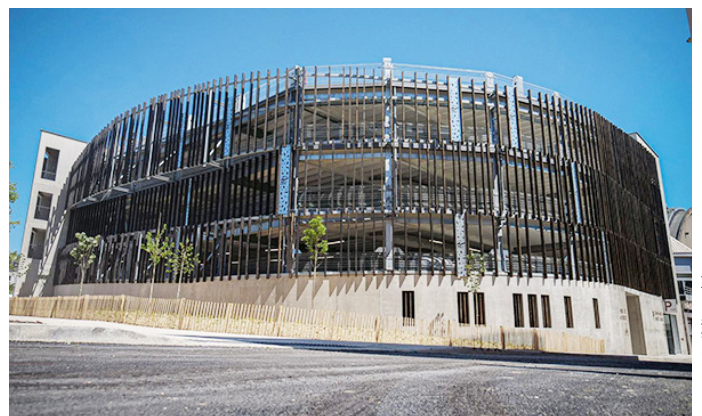
Designed for citizens

Wide, easily accessible spaces, secure bicycle parking, a community room for information and events related to cycling, and a DIY repair workshop give the building the character of a soft mobility hub. This is also in line with Voiron’s goals for clean mobility.

The car park’s sustainable design includes a 1,250 m² photovoltaic system, green façades with plants growing from the ground and natural lighting to reduce energy consumption.

Architecture inspired by nature

The car park was designed by architect BARBEYER and engineering firm Arcadis and built in collaboration with local company CHANUT. The building was designed to blend harmoniously into its surroundings. It is located in the extension of a park and features a Douglas fir façade inspired by the nearby forests. Other visual highlights include planters, hanging greenery, a vegetable terrace, solar panels for shade, bright interiors with light colours and privacy screens to reduce glare, noise and visual pollution.



Grand Angle car park in Voiron, France

Anthony Moreau, Deputy Mayor for the Environment, Urban Planning, Construction and Mobility, says: “This ecologically designed car park is an important factor in our comprehensive urban development project. It allows us to reduce the number of above-ground parking spaces, plant more trees and create a more vibrant public space. It’s about redefining city life with a focus on comfort, sustainability and accessibility.” ■

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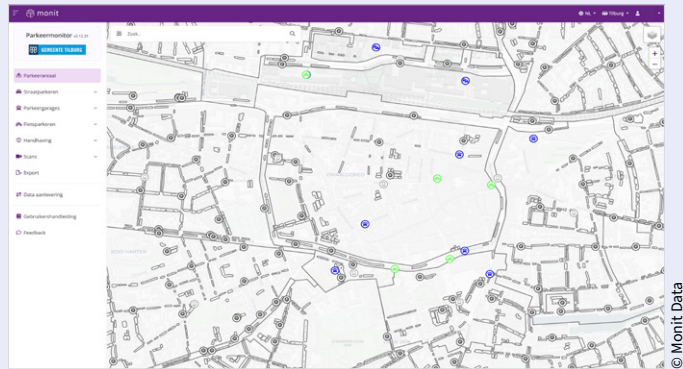
Dutch City of Tilburg Extends Services for Car and Bicycle Parking

The Municipality of Tilburg and Monit Data have a long-standing and innovative partnership. This successful collaboration was recently extended for Monit's Parkeermonitor and Vtag services, aligning with the municipality's software procurement agreements.

The Municipality of Tilburg in the Netherlands has been using Monit's services for many years to get data-driven insights for parking policy and management. Collaboration began with the implementation of the Parking Monitor software suite, which is currently used for reporting on occupancy, revenue, and enforcement. For bicycle parking, this was later complemented by Vtag, Monit Data's service for fully digital management of bicycle parking facilities and subscriptions.

Parking Occupancy Measurements with Scan Car Data

The partnership between Tilburg and Monit is characterised by innovation. For instance, the municipality played a key role in developing parking occupancy measurements using scan car data. This new module in Monit's Parking Monitor enables enforcement scan cars already operating in the city to generate cost-effective and reliable occupancy analyses. Tilburg was also involved in implementing different user types for bicycle parking in Vtag, enabling



Parking Monitor dashboard for City of Tilburg

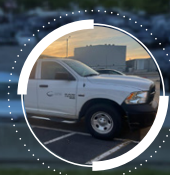
better optimisation of bicycle storage facilities. The extension of Monit's Parking Monitor and Vtag once again involved an innovative approach. The Municipality of Tilburg makes use of software procurement solutions, whereby a third party manages procurement and provides expertise in licensing, life-cycle management, and cost optimisation. In Tilburg, this is handled by Software & IT Procurement from Crayon. In consultation with Tilburg and Crayon, Monit Data has now joined this procurement solution. ■

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15–17 October, 2025
PARKON
*Parking Conference of the Serbian Parking Association
 Hotel Fruške Terme, Vrdnik-Serbia*

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21–23 October, 2025
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