

## Public Transport Authority - a key factor leading to transport sustainability. Lessons learnt, impacts and commitments

### EPTA project's final conference

28 May 2014

European Economic and Social Committee (EESC), Brussels

room VM3, Maerlant Building, 2, rue Van Maerlant, 1040 Brussels

### Draft Agenda

***All registered participants are invited to a pre-opening of the EPTA conference on 27 May at 18h at Emilia-Romagna Regional Representation. They will be introduced to EPTA and will be offered good networking opportunities during an informal cocktail. Address: Rue Montoyer 21, Brussels 1000***

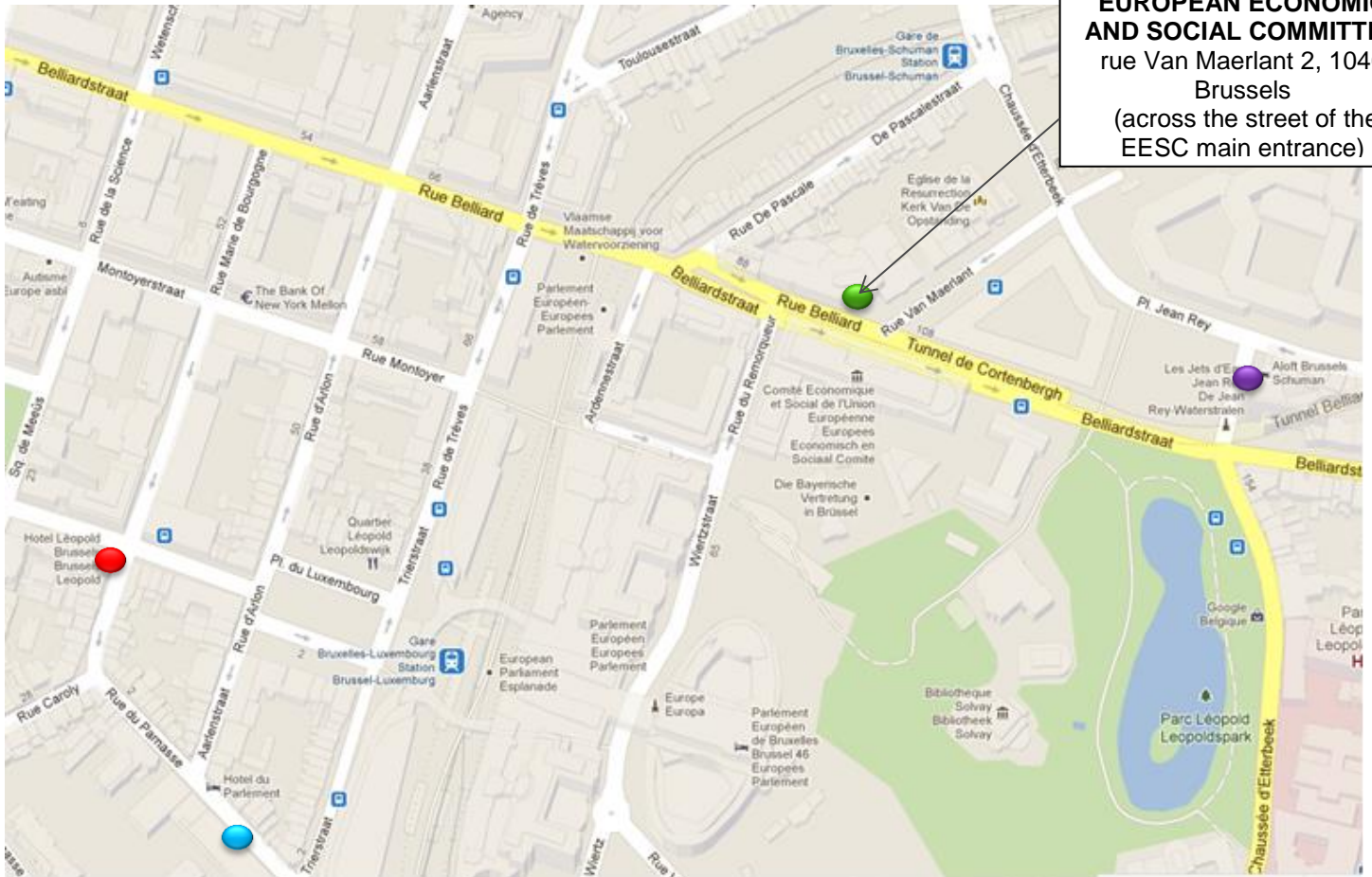
Time	Item
8.30 – 9.00	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Welcome coffee and registrations</li> </ul>
9.00 - 9.45	<p><b>Opening addresses</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Welcome address by SRM Bologna, EPTA project coordinator <i>Speaker: Dora Ramazzotti</i></li> <li>Opening address by the European Economic and Social Committee (EESC) <i>Speaker: tbc</i></li> <li>The EPTA project in the framework of sustainable mobility <i>Speaker: JTS speaker (tbc)</i></li> </ul>
9.45 – 10.25	<p><b>The EPTA Public Transport Authority (PTA) Model for smaller and medium sized cities. 7 key activities of a PTA</b></p> <p><i>Speaker: Steve Wright (University of Aberdeen), EPTA project partner</i></p>
10.25 - 10.40	<b>Q&amp;A</b>
10.40 - 11.30	<p><b>Coffee break</b></p> <p>EPTA Cities (Almada, Bologna, Brasov, Emilia-Romagna Region, Lombardy region, Prague-Suchdol, Razlog, Rogaland and Thessaloniki)</p>

	will give poster presentations about their work during the coffee break
11.30 – 12.30	<p><b>How has EPTA helped cities and regions to organise their public transport?</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Design and Control of a Public Transportation Service Contract, Bologna, Italy</li> <li>– Structure and role of the Brasov Metropolitan PTA, Romania</li> <li>– Tendering and awarding the bus transport services in Thessaloniki, Greece</li> </ul>
12.30 - 13.00	<p><b>Q&amp;A</b></p> <p>The panel will consist of EPTA cities and discuss the following questions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- How does technology help a PTA carry out its functions?</li> <li>- How can EPTA outcomes help a PTA provide better service?</li> <li>- How can EPTA outcomes help a PTA save money?</li> <li>- Questions coming from the participants</li> </ul> <p><i>Session chair: Giorgio Ambrosino, GA Consultancy</i></p>
13.00 - 14.00	<b>Lunch</b>
14.00 - 14.30	<p><b>EPTA Practices into action and key findings from cross-site evaluation</b></p> <p><i>Speakers: Carlos Sousa (Almada City Council), EPTA project partner</i></p>
14.30 – 15.45	<p><b>EU Policy Framework and the EPTA project – round table discussion</b></p> <p><i>Ivo Cré (POLIS) will moderate the discussion and give a short introduction to existing policy frameworks with relevance to EPTA topics, such as the Urban Mobility Package, the Transport White Paper, the 4<sup>th</sup> Railway Package and the Public Service Obligations Directive.</i></p> <p><i>Speaker: Mr Edgardo Iozia, European Economic and Social Committee (EESC)</i></p> <p><i>Speaker: Mr André Mordant, European Economic and Social Committee (EESC)</i></p> <p><i>Speaker: Mr Pascal Mangin, Committee of the Regions (CoR)</i></p> <p><i>Speaker: Mr Sylvain Haon, POLIS</i></p>
15.45 – 16.15	<b>Coffee break</b>
16.15 – 16.45	<p><b>Institutional organisation and cooperation</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Organising public transport authorities and mobility agencies</b></li> </ul>

	<p><i>Speaker: Stéphanie Priou, Organising Authorities Manager, UITP</i></p> <p><i>EMTA (tbc)</i></p>
16.45 – 17.00	<b>Final Q&amp;A</b>
17.00 – 17.30	<p><b>Closing remarks: how will EPTA's work continue and what opportunities does INTERREG programme capitalisation offer?</b></p> <p><i>Speakers: Dora Ramazzotti (SRM Bologna), Ivo Cré (POLIS), Robert Stüssi (INTERREG IVC Capitalisation team) and JTS Speaker</i></p>
17.30 – 19.30	<b>Cocktail reception</b>

## Practical information

Venue: room VM3, Maerlant Building, 2, rue Van Maerlant, 1040 Brussels



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rue Van Maerlant 2, 1040  
Brussels  
(across the street of the  
EESC main entrance)

## Accommodation

All hotels are within a walking distance from the conference venue

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***Single room rate: € 160,00 per night during the week and € 90,00 per night during the weekend (including breakfast, taxes and services)***

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