

## Is the sky the limit?

Preview: 15 to 17 Nov. 2023, INAIR 2023, 12th International Conference on Air Transport, Tartu (EE)

For over a decade, the conference has been the premier destination for bringing together the brightest minds from academia and industry to share insights, innovations, and best practices. With a rich history of facilitating meaningful conversations and forging lasting connections, INAIT has become the go-to forum for anyone looking to stay ahead of the curve in their field. Whether a seasoned professional or just starting out, it is a great advantage to join the conference and experience the power of collaboration and inspiration. Being hosted by the Estonian Aviation Academy, the confer-



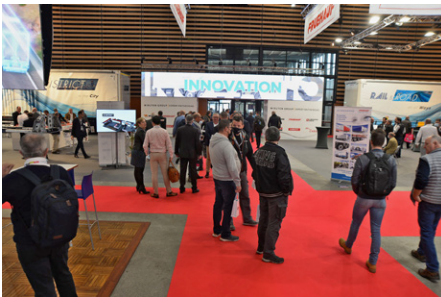
ence focuses on the advancements and challenges in the aviation industry. The presentations are about: Airport Operation And Design, Airline Operation, Safety And Security, Air Traffic Management, Human Performance, Aerospace Engineering, Urban Air Mobility, and much more. INAIR encourages attendees to think about the potential of aviation technology and how far it can go in the future. It also raises the question of whether there are limits to aviation innovation and what those limits might be.

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## Commercial vehicles in a net zero sector

Preview: 21 to 25 November 2023, Solutrans 2023, Lyon (FR)



The 17th edition of the two-yearly Solutrans trade show, to be held from 21 to 25 November 2023 at Lyon Eurexpo, is shaping up to be a strategically important event for all the players in the sector. With

more than 90% of its surface area already booked seven months before the event and an ever-increasing number of exhibitors, Solutrans, the global hub for heavy and light commercial vehicles, is mobilising the sector's players more than ever and is planning a content-rich 2023 edition. The guiding theme of this year's event: How to embed the commercial vehicle industry in a net zero sector?

Transport has always provided essential connections. Not only do modes of transport need to be reinvented, but also its organisation and its touchpoints: the city must be a relay point. Consumer patterns are constantly changing. Transport is adjusting

quickly to them, and with the least possible impact. Haulage has wasted no time in decarbonising its vehicles and transport. Other modes of transport must be invented to connect and round out the logistics chain.

This year's edition of the show will focus on 5 main topics: onboard intelligence, urban delivery, retrofit, tires and new energies. Together, citizens, consumers, politicians, carriers, logistics providers, are called upon to reinvent cities, reinvent a greener world.

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## Europe's mobility flagship event

Preview: 2 to 5 April 2024, Connecting Europe Days 2024, Brussels (BE)



Connecting Europe Days will bring together politicians, financial institutions, industry representatives, transport stakeholders and the European Commission to discuss concrete measures and exchange good practices on creating a fully decarbonised, resilient, seamless and digital transport and mobility network in Europe. It will take stock of the ambitious goals set out in the EU Green Deal and the Sustainable and Smart Mobility Strategy.

The revised trans-European transport network (TEN-T) Regulation, with the

launch of nine new European Transport Corridors and a revamped governance system led by eleven European TEN-T Coordinators, will be a central point of the discussions, as will the future of infrastructure funding and financing. Participants will also address the question of infrastructure climate resilience.

Threats to transport connectivity, including Russia's ongoing aggression against Ukraine, have repeatedly put the functioning of the EU Single Market at risk in recent years. Conference sessions will look at the

EU transport network, its role in ensuring connectivity with the EU's neighbours, and its preparedness and resilience against external threats. Participants will see state-of-the-art innovations first-hand at an exhibition of EU-funded projects.

The event is being organised together with the upcoming Belgian Presidency of the Council of the EU. For any questions related to the organisation of the event, please contact the Connecting Europe Days Secretariat:

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## EU Transport Day at COP28

Preview: 30 November to 12 December 2023, COP28, Dubai (AE-DU)

At UN Climate Change Conference COP 28 the world will come together for the next round of climate negotiations. In the margins of the conference, the EU will organise several side events, including an 'EU Transport Day' on 6 December, bringing together policy makers and experts from the transport industry and civil society. All events will be livestreamed.

COP 28 will take place from 30 November until 12 December 2023. Pre-sessionals will take place from 24 to 29 November. The Blue Zone is under the authority of the United Nations. The pavilion space is operated by the host country on a commercial basis in order to provide Parties and admitted observers with dedicated space to host their own private meetings and office accommodation. The pavilion space is not intended as a part of the formal intergovernmental process. Events hosted in pavilions are not part of the official COP programme.

The events are a product of guidance from a diverse set of stakeholders on the outcomes they would like to see under each thematic day, also reflecting inputs from the open consultation process earlier this year. The COP28 thematic program is designed to unite a diverse range of stakeholders – all



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levels of governments, youth, business and investors, civil society, frontline communities, indigenous peoples, and others – around specific solutions that must be scaled up this decade to limit warming to 1.5 degrees, build resilience, and mobilize finance at scale. This set of solutions constitutes the response to the Global Stocktake,

looking where the world stands on climate action and support, identifying the gaps, and working together to agree on solutions pathways to 2030 and beyond.

[https://transport.ec.europa.eu/eu-transport-day-cop28\\_en](https://transport.ec.europa.eu/eu-transport-day-cop28_en)  
<https://unfccc.int/cop28>

## Barrier-free, accessible, inclusive cross-border public transport

Preview: 1 to 5 July 2024, EPTS Summer School 2024, Maribor (SI)

European integration brings regions closer together, even across borders. Public transport services and timetables need to be coordinated to establish smooth and smart travel chains from point to point. 15% of the European population have some kind of disability and many more people are exposed to barriers in specific situations like carrying heavy luggage, travelling with a stroller, a broken leg or broken glasses. Moreover, a different country often means a different language.

In the summer school the organizers – the European Platform of Transport Sciences (EPTS) in common with professors at Maribor and Vienna universities – will take all this into account and discuss what is nec-



essary for convenient cross-border public transport, which is barrier-free, accessible

and inclusive. They will do this not only by the input of experts and people with disabilities but also by selfexperience. The results shall serve as a role model for a series of new summer schools in the following years. Furthermore, the results shall be reported to the European Commission and shall be applied to similar cross-border settings within the EU.

Registration for the summer school is open for students of all academic levels (Bachelor; Master, Doctoral). Further details about the organization, certification and cost contribution at the website.

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