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Dear TRAIL member,

This is the TRAIL *E-LINK* of January. TRAIL *E-LINK* will keep you informed of the ins and outs of TRAIL Research School.



We wish you all a very happy and healthy New Year!

DEFENSE OF DECEMBER

Thijs Muizelaar (UT) on "Non-Recurrent Traffic Situations and Traffic Information: determining preferences and effects on route choice"



Non-recurrent traffic situations are defined using the cause and effects of congestion, as well as the familiarity, experience and perception of a traveller. For these situations, the preference for traffic information differs. This predominantly depends on the cause of congestion and personal characteristics. In case of accidents, traffic information and route guidance significantly improve the travel experience by reducing delay and travel time as drivers adapt their route choices.

PHD DEFENSE TO COME

2 February 2012 – Nina Schaap (UT) on "Driving Behaviour in Unexpected Situations"

COURSES

Course TRAIL Policy Relevance of your PhD Research

By Dr. Jan Anne Annema, Dr. Vincent Marchau

To enable PhD students to gain understanding of and be able to describe the policy relevance of their PhD thesis results. The course consists of a summary of an actually published PhD thesis will be distributed. The class will discuss with the teachers how the policy relevance is treated in this particular case (discussion); some theoretical notions will be given on transport policy relevance (lecture); tips and tricks, inspiration to make your thesis policy relevant (self-study); participants will make a press release (1 A4 maximum) of their own PhD research. Results will be discussed (exercise and plenary discussion).

10 January

[Registration
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TRB Survival/Preparation Session

By Prof. Robert Bertini

Please join Professor Robert Bertini (visiting professor at TU Delft from Portland State University in the USA) for a TRB Survival Guide and Preparation session on Friday January 13. Prof. Bertini has attended and participated in nearly 20 TRB Annual Meetings, spent the last two years living and working in Washington DC and is an experienced speaker, lecturer and presenter. Join this session for an introduction to Washington DC, a discussion on how to get the most from and "survive" the TRB Annual Meeting and join your colleagues and fellow students as they deliver practice presentations/posters for quick feedback in advance. As Prof. Bertini is a native English speaker he will also offer suggestions on how to deliver clear and strong oral and poster presentations.

12 January

**10.00-13.00
hrs incl lunch**

[Registration
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Course Writing and Publishing a 'TRAIL' Research Article

By Dr. Caspar Chorus, Dr. Vincent Marchau

The aim of this course is to support TRAIL PhD students in writing and publishing a scientific article about their research.

Course content: how to write a good article, in terms of structure, message, positioning, added value, etc.; relevant journals for TRAIL-related publications, and their scopes and impact factors; the review process: do's and don'ts (communicating with the editor and referees, dealing with sometimes severe criticism); publishing and your PhD: how to achieve synergy (choosing and managing your co-authors, making sure your dissertation benefits from your publications).

2 February

[Registration
HERE](#)

Course Domain Knowledge

By Prof. Bert van Wee and Dr. Jan Anne Annema

This course gives PhD students a general introduction into a) the transport system (which factors drive this system), b) the impact of the transport system on accessibility, safety and the environment, and into c) transport policy making and evaluation methods.

24 & 31 May

[Registration
HERE](#)

For more details please visit the website www.rstrail.nl/agenda

COURSES INTERESTING FOR PHD STUDENTS/PHD SUPERVISORS

- ❖ [PhD-supervisor as coach](#) by Aletta Wubben (only for DUT supervisors)
- ❖ [NWO Talent Classes](#)
- ❖ Course 'Endnote' by TU Library
- ❖ Course 'Research Methodology' by Transportnet (see <http://www.transportnet.org>, chose 'courses' tab, and 'Research Methodology')
- ❖ **21-25 May: Beta Course: Technology Entrepreneurship and Innovation Management 2012** @ University of Eindhoven. [More info](#)

VACANCIES

Delft University of Technology:

CEG/T&P: [PhD: Robust & Resilient Railway Timetables](#)

CEG/T&P: [Post-doc: Railway Timetable Tools & Algorithms](#)

OTHER EVENTS

12 March: PLATOS Colloquium @ Provinciehuis Den Bosch. [More info here](#) (all in Dutch)

19-20 April: AIRDEV Conference Series will gather academics and professionals from the Air Transport and Airport sectors @ Lisbon,

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18-22 June: Kuhmo Nectar Conference and Summer School on Transportation Economics: Annual conference of the International Transport Economics Association ITEA (www.iteaweb.org) @ Berlin, Germany.

8-11 July: 25th European Conference on Operational Research @ Vilnius, Lithuania. *Deadline abstracts: February 29, 2012.* [More info here](#)

22-24 August: The 2012 International Conference on Logistics and Maritime Systems (LOGMS) @ Bremen, Germany. [More info here](#)

4-8 September: 1st European Symposium on Quantitative Methods in Transportation Systems @ EPFL Campus, Lausanne, Switzerland. *Deadline abstracts: March 15, 2012.* [More info here](#)

24-27 September: Congreso Panamericano de Ingeniería de Tránsito, Transporte y Logística – PANAM 2012 @ Santiago, Chile. [More info here](#) (Spanish)

Several interesting meetings “Dinalog on Tour” [More info here](#) (all in Dutch)

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