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Dear TRAIL member,

This is the TRAIL *E-LINK* of October 2010. TRAIL *E-LINK* will keep you informed of the ins and outs of TRAIL Research School.

## NEWS

### Update TRAIL Congress 2010

The program is set! Three sessions are composed and they look really attractive! Soon there will be an update on the website with the program and possibility for registering.

*Please, make a reservation for 23 & 24 November in your agenda.  
Check our website at the end of this week for updates!*

### Brainstorm TRAIL/Leave Arjan van Binsbergen

On September 28<sup>th</sup> a brainstorm meeting on the future of TRAIL Research and Education was organised in Madurodam on the occasion of the leaving of Arjan van Binsbergen as Managing Director of TRAIL.

In the afternoon several TRAIL (former)staff members had an inspiring discussion on the impact of developments in Technology, Climate, Economy and in Society on mobility, logistics and transport. There were short presentations on the subjects Modeling (by Caspar Chorus), Decision Making (by Karel Martens), Logistics (by Rob Zuidwijk), Behaviour (by Marieke Martens) and Accessibility (by Karst Geurs). In the evening there was time to honour and thank Arjan by a.o. former Scientific Director Piet Bovy, Dean CE (DUT) Louis de Quelerij and President of the Supervisory Board Seen van der Plas.



## NEW PHD STUDENTS



**Erik-Sander Smits** on "Transport Pricing: a multi-modal dynamic network perspective". Erik-Sander will perform his research at the Faculty Civil Engineering of the Delft University of Technology. His promoter is Prof. Bart van Arem.

**Daniel Sparing** on "Capacity Management and Reliable Transport Chains". Daniel will perform his research at the Faculty Civil Engineering of the Delft University of Technology. His promoter is Prof. Ingo Hansen.





**Nicolás Weiss** on "Model-Predictive Railway Traffic Management". Nicolás will perform his research at the DCSC of the Delft University of Technology. His promoter is Prof. Bart De Schutter.

## COURSES

5, 20, 21 & 22  
October

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### Course Traffic Flow Phenomena: observation, theory and modelling

In traffic, complex phenomena resulting from collective behaviour are observed. Examples are shock waves, hysteresis, capacity drop, (in)stability and moving jams. After this course the participants will understand the theory behind these phenomena and the existing approaches to modelling these phenomena. They will also gain hands-on experience of recognizing phenomena from data and using models to reconstruct these phenomena  
*Course by Prof. dr. ir. Serge Hoogendoorn (CITG, DUT)*

19 October &  
2,9,16 Nov

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### Course Presenting in English

The workshop is given by excellent native speakers and is considered to be very good and highly motivating, focussed on helping you to present clearly and in adequate English. This workshop will be particularly useful for our newer PhD students, this workshop will be useful to prepare them for their first presentations.  
*Course by Walter Bruins (VU Language Centre)*

7 December

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### Transport Innovations

To gain an overview of transport innovations. Learn to ex ante assess transport innovations in order to support transport innovations policymaking  
*Course by Jan Anne Annema & Vincent Marchau (TPM, DUT/TRAIL)*

14 December

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### Policy Relevance of your PhD Research

To enable PhD students to gain understanding of and be able to describe the policy relevance of their PhD thesis results.  
*Course by Jan Anne Annema & Vincent Marchau (TPM, DUT/TRAIL)*

## COURSES INTERESTING FOR PHD STUDENTS

- ❖ [NWO Talent Classes](#)
- ❖ Course '[Endnote](#)' by TU Library
- ❖ Course 'Research Methodology' by Transportnet (see <http://www.transportnet.org>, chose 'courses' tab, and 'Research Methodology')

## OTHER EVENTS

**7 – 8 October: Qualitative Research Workshop** in Lisbon, Portugal (suitable for beginning PHD transport researchers). The 3rd annual European workshop on Computer-Aided Qualitative Research 2010 (Twitter hashtag #CAQR) will be held on the 7 & 8 October 2010 in Lisbon. This international workshop will be co-organised by [Lisbon University Institute \(ISTCE-IUL\)](#). The aim of the workshop is to bring together researchers, practitioners and trainers to discuss the key challenges and opportunities of advancing qualitative research using software. [More info](#)

**11 – 13 October: The European Transport Conference**, Glasgow, Scotland. Transport practitioners and researchers throughout Europe are responding to these challenges and the European Transport Conference, is the key annual event for sharing innovation, best practice and networking with colleagues from more than 30 countries. [More information](#)

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**23 & 24 November: 11th TRAIL Congress 2010**, World Trade Center Rotterdam.  
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