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Dear TRAIL member,

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

NEWS



THE UNIVERSITY OF
SYDNEY

Caspar Chorus is appointed Visiting Professor at the Institute of Transport and Logistics Studies, the University of Sydney Business School for his research with Prof. David Hensher and Prof. John Rose.

NEW PHD STUDENTS

Lijun Chan on "Multimodal Transport System and Transfer Integration for Urban Railway Stations". Lijun will perform her research at the Civil Engineering Faculty of the Delft University of Technology. Her promotor is Prof. Ingo Hansen



Maria Zamiralova on "Optimal Design of Pipe Conveyor". Maria will perform her research at the 3Me faculty of the Delft University of Technology. Her promotor is Prof. Gabriel Lodewijks.

Soora Rasouli on "The Uncertainty Enabled Model Web (UncertWeb)". Rasouli will perform her research at the Architecture, Building and Planning faculty of the Eindhoven University of Technology. Her promotor is Prof. Harry Timmermans.



Elaheh Khademi on "Effects of Pricing Strategies on Dynamic Repertoires of Activity-Travel Behaviour". Khademi will perform her research at the Architecture, Building and Planning faculty of the Eindhoven University of Technology. Her promotor is Prof. Harry Timmermans.

Panagiotis Ypsilantis on "The Design, Planning and Execution of Sustainable Container Transport Networks: Information as an Enabler". Ypsilantis will perform his research at the Rotterdam School of Management of the Erasmus University of Rotterdam. His promotors are Prof. Rob Zuidwijk and Prof. Leo Kroon.



BY THE PHD COUNCIL

The TRAIL PhD Council is looking for new members for the council. Curious or interested? Please feel free to contact any of us through phdcouncil@rstrail.nl and also have a look at the website on <http://www.rstrail.nl/phd-council>.



DEFENSE OF SEPTEMBER

Tamas Mahr on "Vehicle Routing under Uncertainty".

Vehicle routing is an every-day problem for a range of companies from multi-national couriers to pizza boys all over the world. In this book, vehicle-routing problems that have to be solved in an uncertain environment are discussed. An agent-based and an on-line optimization based approach to such vehicle-routing problems are discussed and their performance is compared in a set of realistic problem instances. It is shown that above certain levels of uncertainty, the agent-based heuristics outperform the on-line optimization method.



PHD DEFENSES TO COME

11 October - Solomon Zegeye on "Model-Based Traffic Control for the Sustainable Mobility"

13 October – Jan Willem van der Pas on "Clearing the Road for ISA Implementation?"

27 October - Vincent van der Vlies "Solving deadlock situations between urban planning and rail transport of hazardous materials in the Netherlands".

COURSES

6 & 13 October

[Registration](#)
[HERE](#)

TRAIL Course "Logistics and Freight Transport Systems Analysis".

By Prof. Lori Tavasszy and Prof. Rob Zuidwijk.

The objective of this course is to provide advanced understanding of freight transport demand and supply modelling at the micro (company) and macro (city/region/country) level.

13 October

[Registration](#)
[HERE](#)

Master class on Traffic Management Strategies for City Evacuations.

By Stella So (Industrial Engineering and Operations Research Department at the University of California, Berkeley) and Raymond Hoogendoorn MSc.

[More information here](#)

14 October

[Registration
HERE](#)

Master class on ISA Implementation

By Prof. ir. Fred Wegman (Delft University of Technology), Prof. dr. Oliver Carsten (University of Leeds), Prof. dr. ir. Bart van Arem (Delft University of Technology), Ir. J. Kessels (DVS – Ministry of Infrastructure and Environment).

At the occasion of the defense of Jan Willem van der Pas, TRAIL has set up an interesting master class.

Cars equipped with ISA will be available

26 October &
3 November

[Registration
HERE](#)

TRAIL 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.

8 & 15
November

[Registration
HERE](#)

TRAIL Course: "Transport Policy Analysis".

By Prof. Warren Walker and Dr. Vincent Marchau.

After attending this course, participants should be able to understand and apply the steps of the policy analysis process to a transport policy problem; formulate and structure a transport policy problem in preparation for analysis; understand the role of models in a transport policy analysis study; understand the use of scenarios for dealing with future uncertainty and helping to identify a robust policy; present the results of a transport policy analysis study.

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

NWO VENI/VIDI/VICI INFORMATION

Are you planning to apply for a Veni, Vidi or Vici and do you want practical information and tips from successful applicants, coordinators and committee members? Then make sure you attend one of NWO's information meetings. There you will hear from successful applicants, coordinators and committee members about what to pay attention to when completing your grant application, what not to write and why some applications are successful and why. Data:

13 October, 9.00 - 12.30 hrs.: info bèta and life sciences researchers

13 October, 13.00 - 16.30 hrs: info for alpha/gamma researchers

The days will be held in English at NWO, Laan van Nieuw Oost-Indië 300, Den Haag. Programme, directions, [more information](#)

Direct link to [registration form](#)

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')

OTHER EVENTS

1 November, afternoon: Valorisatieparade by The Rathenau Institute and De Jonge Acedemi @ Theater Rasa, Utrecht. [More info here](#) (all in Dutch)

10 November: Connekt congress "The Lean and Green Connexion" @ Nieuwe Kerk, Amsterdam. [More info here](#) (all in Dutch)

28 November: 9th Dutch Aviation Group Symposium: 'The Dutch Airspace Agenda' @ Grand Hotel Huis ter Duin in Noordwijk. [More info here](#) (all in Dutch)

POSTPONED 11 October: International Symposium on Robustness of Complex Networks @ Hotel Houten, Houten.

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