

Objectives and First Results of the German eHighway Field Test ELISA



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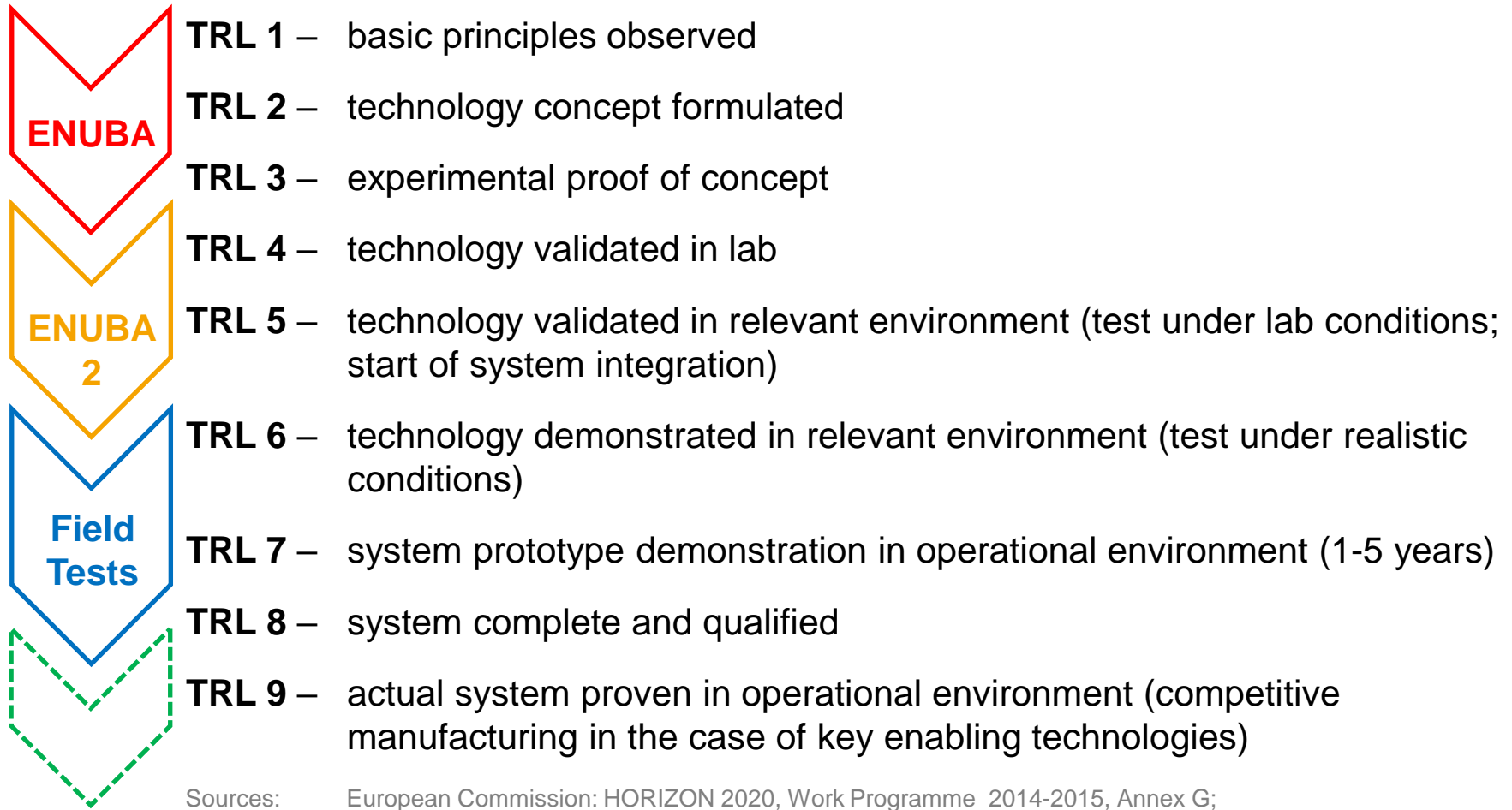
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Technology Readiness Levels – General Concept and Status of the eHighway



Testing Under Real Traffic and Real Road Operations

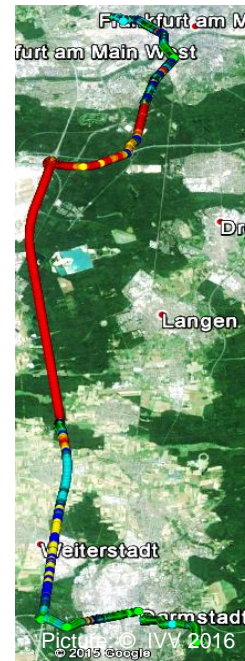
Real traffic and traffic composition

Real road operations

Real environmental conditions

Real incidents

Real constructional conditions ...



ELISA: Sample Research Questions

- How much electric energy and fuel are consumed by OH trucks?
- What are the impacts on driving behaviour and traffic safety?
- Are there any problems regarding the visibility of traffic signs?
- Are there complications in cleaning traffic signs and cutting the green?



Testing with Real Transport Companies and Real Transport Processes

Vehicle	ELISA Transport Partner	Vehicle Delivery (Year/Month)	Transported Goods	No. of vehicles in Rhein-Main
01	Spedition Hans Adam Schanz GmbH & Co. KG	2019/05	emulsion paint and other Caparol products	9
02	Ludwig Meyer GmbH & Co. KG	2019/09	consumer goods esp. refrigerated food	80
03	Contargo GmbH & Co. KG (Rhenus Trucking GmbH & Co. KG)	2020/06	containers	> 1.000
04	Knauf Gips KG	2020/06	construction materials	40
05	Merck KGaA	2020/06	liquid sludge	6

Status: March 2019



ELISA: Sample Research Questions

- What are the specific requirements of different types of transport companies on using the eHighway system?
- How can transport companies integrate the eHighway trucks into their daily tours?
- How robust is the eHighway technology under frequent use?



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Testing with a Real Electric Power System

Real integration into the power grid

Real consumption and recuperation of energy

Real accounting and clearing



ELISA: Sample Research Questions

- How can the eHighway system be integrated into the overall power grid?
- Which impact has a larger number of eHighway trucks on the power supply network?
- How to design the accounting and clearing system for electric energy?



Testing Acceptance with Real People

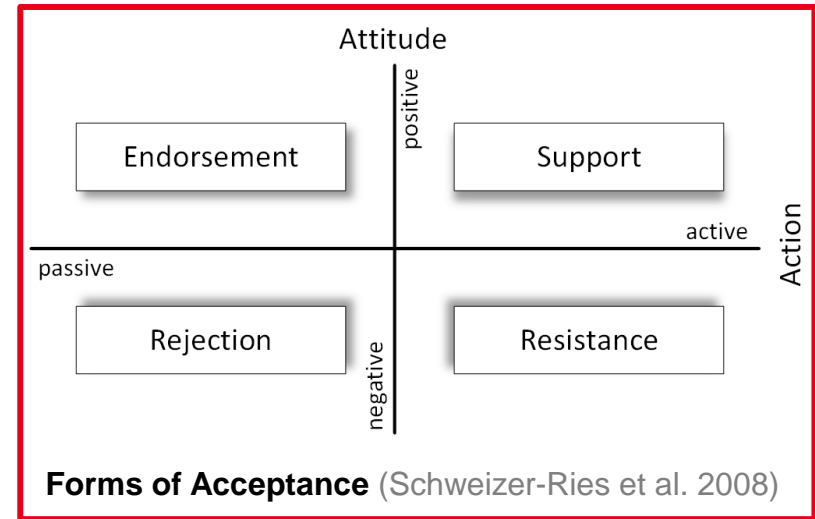
Analyzing acceptance by different stakeholders

Identifying (critical) influencing factors

Analyzing changes of acceptance over time

Relevant stakeholder groups:

- transport companies
- eHighway truck drivers and other truck drivers
- other road users and the general public
- road operators and electricity suppliers
- emergency and rescue service operators
- ...



socio-political
acceptance

market
acceptance

local
acceptance

ELISA: Sample Research Questions

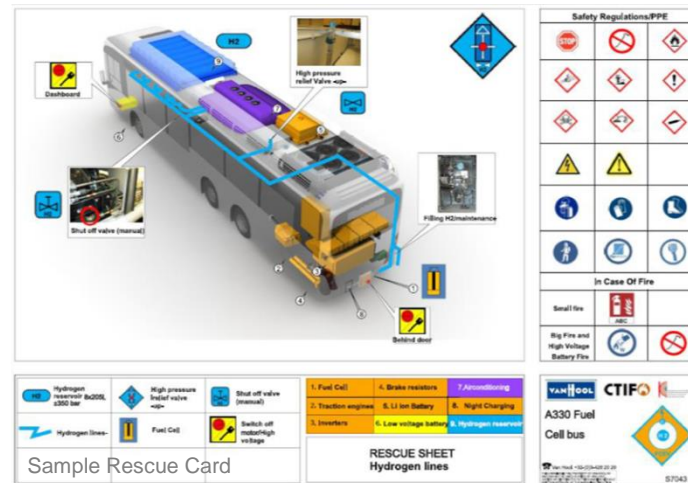
- How are different stakeholder groups perceiving the eHighway system?
- Which factors are influencing the acceptance rate?
- How are the acceptance rates changing over time?





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Development and specification of many processes and procedures to deal with practical aspects of system implementation and operation



- Planning, approval and tendering process for the eHighway infrastructure
- Processes for emergency and rescue services
- Software and processes for control center operations
- Specific aspects of formal vehicle registration



Creating Awareness and Acceptance



Supporting the visibility of the system

Create possibilities to see, “feel” and test the system

Clear communication about the reasons for the project

Careful public relations management



ELISA: Sample Activities to Create Awareness and Acceptance

- Information booths and visitor centre at the test track
- Project website, information and marketing materials
- Press conferences, interviews for press and other media
- Targeted stakeholder communication

Field Tests as Facilitators Disseminating Results

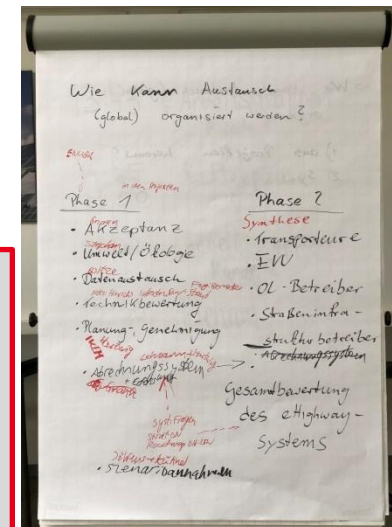
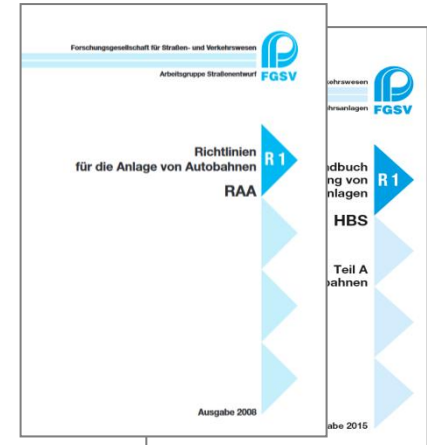
Presentations and publications

Placing the topic in journals and conferences (as editor or organizer)

Contributing to working groups for standardization

National + international exchange

Teaching



ELISA: Sample Activities for Disseminating Results

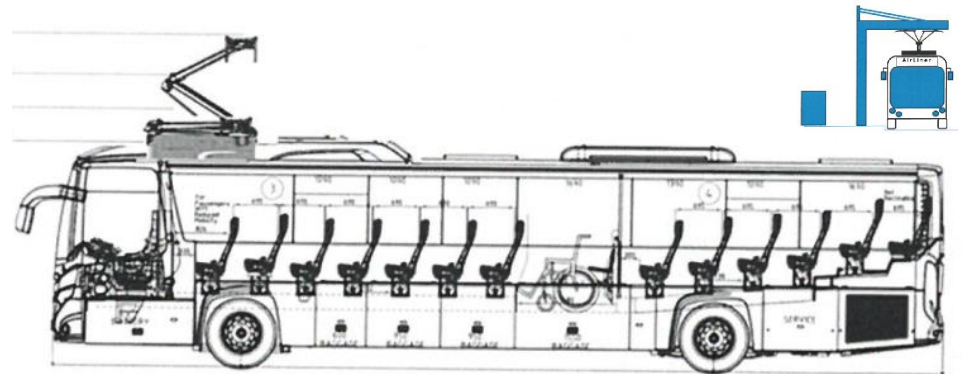
- Conference presentations: ERS, Hypermotion, DSVK, CIGOS, TRB, ICPLT, ...
- Publications: Book „eHighway Implementation Manual“, various journal articles
- Development of implementation guidelines for specific stakeholder groups
- Bringing the topic into working groups for national standardization (FGSV etc.)

Identifying Needs for System Amendments and Further Potential Users

Analyzing real use cases and user requirements

Identifying needs for system amendments

Identifying further potential users



ELISA: Sample Activities for Identifying Needs for System Amendments

- Questionnaire for Transport Companies on Vehicle Requirements
- Identifying demand for other vehicle types (e.g. 16 t trucks)
- Identifying useful truck equipments (dumper hydraulics, PTO for cooling, ...)
- Feasibility Study on eHighway Buses



Providing a Nucleus for Large-scale Implementation

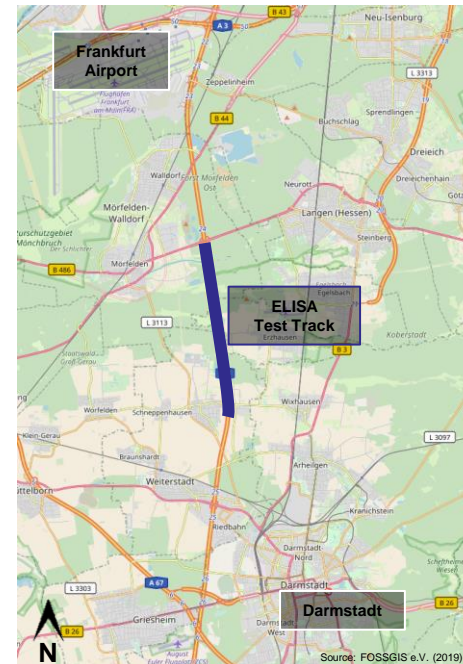
Supporting the development of large-scale implementation strategies

Developing a plan for using the test track after the testing period

Developing a plan for local system expansion

Bewertungskriterien		Farbkodierung und Nutzwerte				
Verfügbarkeit von Flächen und Raum	Seitenraumverfügbarkeit	4	3	2	1	0
	Höhenrelevante Einschränkungen					
	Mindestabstände zu...					
	Landesplätze Hubschrauber					
Planungsrelevante Kriterien	Entwässerung					
	Umweltverträglichkeit					
	Schutzgebiete					
	Flurbereinigung					
Energieversorgung	Erdkabeltrassen-Verläufe					
	Fläche für Unterwerke					
	Zugang zum Mittelspannungsnetz					
	Abstand zur nächsten Ladestation					
Bau, Betrieb und Verkehrsmanagement	Temp. Seitenstreifenfreigabe					
	Anzahl Fahrstreifen					
	Höhenprofil					
	Anzahl Logistikstandorte in d. Nähe					
Verkehrsnachfrage	Logistikflächen in Entwicklung					
	Integrationsfähigkeit in Tourenmuster					

Farbkodierung und Nutzwerte					
4	3	2	1	0	
Ohne Einschränkungen ← → Nicht möglich					
Bewertung	Gewicht	Punkte	Nutzen	Code	
Verfügbarkeit von Flächen und Raum	Seitenraumverfügbarkeit	5	4	20	4
	Höhenrelevante Einschränkungen	5	0	0	0
	Mindestabstände zu...	5	2	10	2
	Landesplätze Hubschrauber	5	4	20	4
	Entwässerung	5	4	20	4
Weitere		75
Total		



ELISA: Sample Activities for Providing a Nucleus for Large-scale Implementation

- Tool for assessing the eHighway equipment potential of road sections (BeTSIE)
- Optimal allocation of charge-in-motion infrastructure for trucks on German motorways (dissertation Kevin Rolko)
- Planning extension and follow-up use of the test track (e.g. Airliner)

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Field Tests – Important Milestones on the Way to Large-scale Implementation

Validator and Demonstrator

Testing in a realistic environment:

- Real traffic and road operations
- Real transport companies and transport processes
- Real power supply system
- Real people (Acceptance)



Facilitator

Developing sub-systems

Creating awareness and acceptance

Disseminating results

Identifying needs for system amendments and further potential users

Providing a nucleus for large-scale implementation



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