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What's on

The calendar below shows key events over the next few months, from RTIG and our associates. For further details of RTIG events please contact secretariat@rtig.org.uk

Department for Transport and Traveline Fares and NeTEx Workshops

6 -7 November 2018, London & Manchester

RTIG Committee

28 November 2018, London

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New Management

We are delighted to announce that Tim Rivett Consulting has taken over the day to day management of RTIG following the retendering of the management contract.

We would like to take the opportunity to thank Centaur Consulting and in particular Mark Cartwright and Leslie Knoop for their many years of service to RTIG and its members.

Many of you will know Tim from his previous with on the RTIG committee and other forums.

Please note the new contact details for RTIG.



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Current Working Groups

The following Working Groups are currently active:

 PTIC (joint with ATCO and Traveline) – met at Arriva in Luton, on 5 June 2018, with its usual wide ranging discussion on standards issues with a particular focus on the work being carried out on NeTEX profiles and Bus Service Act. The next meeting has been arranged for 5th February, 2019, at CPT in London.

If you don't yet participate in one of these groups but would like to do so, please contact us at secretariat@rtig.org.uk .



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Department for Transport and Traveline Fares and NeTEx Workshops

As you're aware, as part of the Bus Open Data Programme we are looking at how fares data can be made open in the UK, including a project led by Traveline and sponsored by the Department for Transport for the development of a fares data standard called NeTEx.

We're halfway through the project now and are running some workshops as part of our ongoing consultation with stakeholders, to be held on 6th and 7th November in London and Manchester respectively. We've split the agenda into sections that become increasingly technical as the day goes on, so it's for you to decide to which break point you'd like to stay; please let us know which parts of the day that you'll be at. An outline agenda is attached.

The morning session will be led by Traveline and the DfT and will cover work on the project so far including fares survey results, a plain English explanation of some of the technical terms used in Open Data, and what NeTEx and open fares data might mean for your organisation. The key audience is non-technical.

The first part of the afternoon session will help you to get to know NeTEx, and the final sessions are very technical and will cover how the NeTEx schema will look, with UML diagrams and worked examples; these will be led by the consultants on the project, Nick Knowles and Stuart Reynolds. To register for either of the workshops, please follow the links below:

Manchester:

https://www.eventbrite.com/e/department-fortranport-and-traveline-fares-and-netex-workshoptickets-51957751032

London:



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https://www.eventbrite.com/e/department-for-tranport-and-traveline-fares-and-netex-workshop-tickets-51957609609

Places are limited and I realise that this is short notice so we would encourage those who would like to attend but would like unable to let the organisers know which part(s) of the workshop they are most interested in and they will try to run additional sessions or find another way for them to engage.

DfT Bus Open Data public consultations

The DfT ran two consultations over the summer on Bus Open Data under the headline 'Bus Services Act 2017: Improving Information for Bus Passengers' and 'Accessible Information' policy proposals.

The results of these are being reviewed and analysed by the department with results expected to be published towards the end of the year.

Transport Select Committee

The Transport Select Committee has been running a enquiry into the Health of the bus market. This is quite a wide ranging inquiry with many areas outside the scope of RTIG, one area of investigation though that will be of interest to members is "factors affecting bus use, including the reliability of the bus service, congestion and the ways bus companies are dealing with congestion, and the effectiveness of bus priority measures".

The written submissions are available online: https://www.parliament.uk/business/committees/c



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Kent 'corridor' provides testbed for road info tech

A group of public sector organisations has begun to create a corridor to test new road and vehicle technology on a section of the A2/M2 in Kent.



Highways England, the Department for Transport, Kent County Council and Transport for London have already staged a 'Testfest' to showcase how vehicles and roadside infrastructure could talk to each other on a major road.

The project is testing how information about road conditions, road works and time left for traffic lights to change to green can be transmitted to test vehicles via a wireless network.

https://www.ukauthority.com/articles/kent-corridor-provides-testbed-for-road-info-tech/



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Keeping in touch with you

As well as keeping you up-to-date with all the latest news from RTIG, this newsletter aims to provide a community forum for members. We therefore offer RTIG members the opportunity to submit a short article here on any issue or innovation that might be of interest to the community.

There are two ways of becoming involved in this:

- ► Email pieces to us when you have them press release format is fine and pictures are welcome.
- Nominate a marketing contact who will be included in the editor's monthly process of 'chivvying'.





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INIT wins 2018 Innovative Solutions Award

INIT, Innovations in Transportation Inc., subsidiary company of init SE, was recently presented the 2018 Innovative Solutions Award from METRO Magazine for the delivery of the TriMet open payment Hop Fastpass® system. The award was presented on October 3, at the Indianapolis Convention Center during the Annual BusCon Conference..

www.initse.com

Ticketer release Tap on /Tap off and DRT

Ticketer has announced two new products at this year's Euro Bus Expo. The company used the NEC event to demonstrate a new Demand Response Travel (DRT) solution to integrate ticketing with dynamic scheduling and Tap on/Tap off technology for even faster boarding and account-based ticketing

www.ticketer.co.uk

r2p wins Chile contract

Altas Cumbres, a bus operator offering intercity bus transport in Chile, ordered equipment for 21 Volvo buses. The project includes ECO-performer and RFID driver login.

Altas Cumbres seeks to better control fuel consumption of their vehicles based on driver behaviour and to compare drivers' performances. After a period of testing the r2p ECO-Performer the results revealed that the r2p product is an efficient and effective solution. Furthermore, r2p



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N E W S offers a reliable local customers service and a good cost-benefit relation. Hence, Altas Cumbres placed an order with r2p for tracking boxes of the type PB 3100 and driver ID for RFID driver login for their 21 Volvo buses.

The r2p ECO-Performer automatically and reliably provides feedback on driving behaviour and noticeably saves fuel. Radiofrequency Identification (RFID) driver login is an easy and hassle-free solution to identify and document drivers and their driving patterns and routes. This way, the fleet manager can effortlessly compare the drivers' performances and driving behaviour. The installation of r2p's unique solution requires no physical interference with the vehicle's chassis and therefore does not compromise the vehicle warranty.

www.r2p.com



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Management Committee Members

The Management Committee for the year 2018-19 was appointed at the AGM on 19 March 2018. Membership is currently as follows:

Chair: Ben Gilligan (SYPTE)

Members: Andrew Wilson (Solent, Deputy Chair), David Gill (WYCA), Russell Gard (Nimbus), Richard Holland (21st Century), Tony Brown (Atkins), Chas Allen (Stagecoach), Tony Pettitt (Reading Buses), Meera Nayyar (DfT)

Andrew Wilson was appointed Deputy Chair at the Committee meeting on 30 May 2018.

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