

## Harmonisation of C-ITS deployments across Europe

Today (4<sup>th</sup> October 2016) the C-ROADS platform was kicked-off, bringing together authorities and road operators covering eleven Member States (Austria, Belgium, Czech Republic, Finland, France, Germany, Hungary, Italy, Netherlands, Slovenia, UK) to harmonise the deployment activities of cooperative intelligent transport systems (C-ITS) across Europe.

The C-ROADS platform is co-funded through the 2015 call of the Connecting Europe Facility (CEF) but is an open platform. Therefore representatives from all ongoing C-ITS deployment activities have been welcomed at the kick-off meeting.

Current initiatives already liberate 150 m€ in deployment-investments in C-ITS, still to be complemented by the 2016 CEF call, which has the potential to bring another 130 m€.

The aim of C-ROADS is to develop harmonised specifications taking the EU-C-ITS platform recommendations into account, linking all C-ITS deployments and planning intensive cross-testing. The C-ROADS platform is making cross-border C-ITS services a reality today and building the foundations for connected and automated vehicles.

This work is key for making European roads safer for citizens, traffic more efficient and reducing harmful emissions from transport. This will also benefit European economy as a whole as it needs a safe, reliable and efficient transport system.

Further information about the C-ROADS platform coming soon:

[www.c-roads.eu](http://www.c-roads.eu)

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