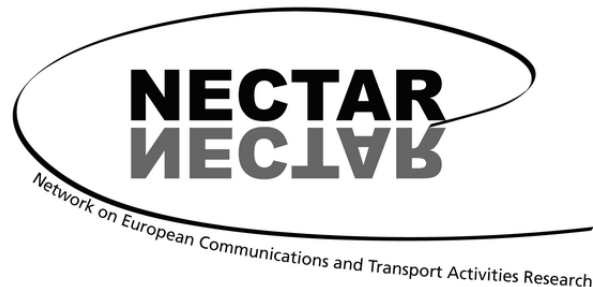


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After a couple of quiet pandemic years, ***NECTAR is back on track!*** Clusters 3, 4, 6 and 7 have already scheduled workshop this year and already distributed Calls for Papers. See the event list at the end of this newsletter. Most other clusters are also making plans to organise cluster events this year or early next year, and new calls for papers will be distributed soon.

This newsletter brings you two workshop reports of two successful in-person NECTAR workshops organised last year by Cluster 5 in Évora and Clusters 4 and 6 in Seville.

In this newsletter I am also happy to announce the start of new cluster 3,4 and 8 co-chairs. Cluster 4 not only has two new cluster chairs but also changed its name and focus from 'Travel, Migration, Housing and Labour Markets' to 'Urban Mobility Transitions'. The cluster will focus on the role of mobility transitions such as micromobility, shared mobility and automation in the interplay of urban development, mobility and sustainability. The new cluster focus will be discussed in the upcoming cluster 4 workshop in Lyon. An update will follow in the next NECTAR newsletter.

You will have noted that this newsletter has a new layout. We also have a new newsletter editor: Daniela Arias Molinares from the Universidad Complutense de Madrid. I would like to thank Sandra Melo for helping out with the editing and design of the many newsletters that were distributed in the past years.

If you have NECTAR related news to share: please contact Daniela at nectarnews2023@gmail.com. You can also visit the NECTAR [website](#) for information on upcoming events and keep an eye out on our social media channels: LinkedIn and Twitter.

Karst Geurs, NECTAR chair

March 2023

New cluster co-chairs

We are welcoming seven new cluster co-chairs. Cluster 3 (Freight and Logistics) has three new cluster co-chairs: Nicolas Brusselaers, Jonas Flodén and Travis Fried. Cluster 4 has two new cluster co-chairs: Cecília Silva and Alejandro Tirachini. Finally, Cluster 8 (ICT) has two new cluster co-chairs: Eran Ben-Elia and Siiri Silm. I am sure the new cluster co-chairs will bring new energy, insights and initiatives for new events and NECTAR outputs to further develop the NECTAR research field. Below you can find a brief introduction on the new co-chairs. You can find more information on the cluster pages on the NECTAR website.

Outgoing cluster 3 chairs are Cathy Macharis (VUB), Johan Woxenius (University of Gothenburg) and Anne Goodchild (University of Washington), outgoing Cluster 4 co-chairs Annette Haas (IAB) and Liv Osland (Western Norway University of Applied Sciences), and outgoing Cluster 8 co-chairs are Emmanouil Tranos (University of Bristol) and Elizabeth Mack (Michigan State University).

I would like to thank all outgoing co-chairs for their contribution to NECTAR over the past years, the organisation of many NECTAR events, special issues and books you have made possible, but certainly also the friendly and enjoyable meetings and talks during dinners and social events!

3 new Cluster 3 co-chairs



Nicolas Brusselaers

is a PhD candidate in Sustainable Logistics at the Mobilise Research Group, Vrije Universiteit Brussel, Belgium. With a strong interest in sustainable urban freight measures, his research focuses on construction logistics-related air pollution concentrations and impact on human health.



Jonas Flodén

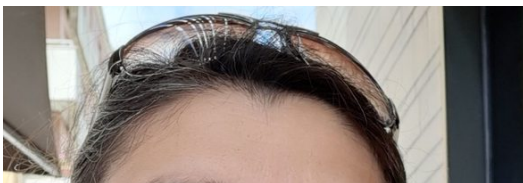
is associate professor in logistics at the Department of Business Administration, University of Gothenburg, Sweden. His main research interests are freight transport, business models, intermodal transport, information technology and sustainability in transport.



Travis Fried

is currently a PhD candidate in Transportation Engineering at the University of Washington, Seattle, United States. His work explores the intersection of city logistics, e-commerce, urban planning, transportation equity and environmental justice.

2 new Cluster 4 co-chairs





Cecília Silva is Assistant Professor with habilitation at the Faculty of Engineering, University of Porto (FEUP), Portugal, and senior researcher at CITTA – the Research Centre for Territory, Transports and Environment. Her main research fields include Accessibility Planning, Sustainable Mobility, Mobility Management, and Planning Support Instruments; research developed in close connection to local planning practice.



Alejandro Tirachini is Associate Professor of Civil Engineering at University of Twente and Universidad de Chile. His research interests cover several topics in traffic engineering, transport planning and transport economics, including the design, planning and optimisation of public transport systems, the sustainability, regulation and travel behaviour effects of emerging mobility technologies, and the analysis and modelling of transport externalities.

2 new Cluster 8 co-chairs



Eran Ben-Elia is an Associate Prof. at the Dept. of Geography and Environmental Development Ben-Gurion University of the Negev, Israel, and head of the GAMES (Game-based models) lab. His research interests are in understanding complex spatially-explicit systems and the applications of information and communication technologies (ICT) to promote sustainable and healthier mobility.

Siiri Silm is Associate Professor in Human Geography with the Mobility Lab, Department of Geography, University of Tartu, Estonia. Her research interest is related to various topics related to the spatial and temporal behavior of people. She studies ethnic and socio-economic segregation and mobility-related inequalities, sustainable travel behaviour, cross-border mobility, tourism, and social networks.

Workshop reports



Smart Transport for Sustainable Tourism

NECTAR Cluster 5 and CEFAGE (University of Évora, Portugal) organized a workshop on “Smart Transport for Sustainable Tourism”.

with the participation of 14 regular and two guest speakers from Europe and Japan (Évora, September 12 to 14). The workshop focused on the sustainable mobility of tourists in areas of low population density, where the supply of public transports tend to be scarce. The panel discussions were organized into 4 topics (“Public and inclusive transport systems”, “Transport choices and impacts”, “Non-motorized mobility”, and “Data, mapping and spacial planning”), while the guest speakers presented a systematic review of international best practices and innovative methods for tracking and analyzing the mobility of tourists in destinations.

It also involved representatives of local authorities, and the inclusion of a panel discussion focused on the problems, challenges and potential solutions for the mobility of tourists and residents in the region of Alentejo, a large area with very low population density in the South of Portugal. Apart from the excellent contributions from the participants – which will have a follow up with a publication of a special issue at the International Journal of Travel Research – the workshop also included a wine tasting experience and two very friendly group dinners based on the traditional local gastronomy.



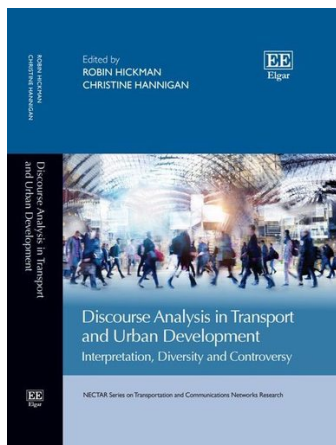
Joint Cluster 4 and 6 workshop Mobility and Accessibility after the Pandemic: Emerging Trends and Policy Challenges

Scheduled for more than three years, and postponed twice due to the COVID-19 pandemic, a three-day workshop was held in Seville on 5, 6 and 7 October 2022, hosted by Panayotis Christidis from the European Commission's Joint Research Center, in the Seville JRC premises. The workshop was very large, close to 50 people. The workshop included a social dinner and a reception to celebrate NFCTAR's 30th anniversary in

the courtyard of the 'Monasterio de la Cartuja'. The joint Cluster 4 and 6 event provided an opportunity to take stock of the state of knowledge on the evolution of mobility and accessibility practices in the post-pandemic context, recently aggravated by an energy crisis. The sessions focused on accessibility, on changes in mobility practices, as well as on the place of walking and soft and active mobility.

A selection of papers from the workshop are targeted to be published in a new volume in the NECTAR series of Edgar Elgar. During the workshops plans were made to organise new cluster events in Coimbra and Antwerp in 2023 (see upcoming events).

New volume in the NECTAR book series



Discourse Analysis in Transport and Urban Development

The newest volume in the NECTAR book series of Edward Elgar will soon be available (April 2023). The book is edited by Robin Hickman and Christine Hannigan, Bartlett School of Planning, University College London, UK. Drawing on discourse analysis, this innovative book takes a novel approach to examining the different interpretations, diversity of views and controversy in society about transport and urban development. Combining theory with empirical case studies, this book breaks new ground in the field by critically engaging with an understanding of the different perspectives and subjectivities associated with transport systems and urban development projects. Incorporating the diverse wider societal and political contexts, various approaches to discourse analysis are examined, including content analysis, critical discourse analysis and Q methodology. Examining the narratives in transport and urban development, chapters study car advertising, highway reconstruction, public transport, bus provision, transit-orientated development and financialisation, walking and cycling networks, and emerging new technologies. Ultimately, the book argues that mainstream views and processes must be confronted in order to respond to contemporary public policy challenges, and makes a convincing case for the wider use of discourse analysis in transport and urban development research, planning and implementation.

NECTAR members get 50% discount on books in the NECTAR series (please ask the NECTAR secretariat for the discount code). You can order the book [here](#).

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Upcoming NECTAR Events

21-22 June 2023

Joint Cluster 6 and 7 Workshop: Sustainable Neighbourhoods

The workshop is organized by the Civil Engineering Department (University of Coimbra), Coimbra, Portugal. Submission deadline is 31 March 2023. [See the call for papers](#) for details.

20-22 September 2023

Cluster 3 Workshop: Delivering Just Sustainabilities: Green and Equitable Transitions in Last-Mile Logistics.

The workshop is organised by the Polytechnic University of Madrid, Spain. Submission deadline is 31 May 2023. [See the call for papers](#) for more information.

12-13 October 2023

Cluster 6 Workshop: The impact of ICT on accessibility after the pandemic: new formats of shopping, work and transport

The workshop is organised by the Department of Transport and Regional Economics of the University of Antwerp, Belgium. Submission deadline is 31 May 2023. [See the call for papers](#) for details.

July 3-5, 2024

The 17th International NECTAR Conference

Location: Vrije Universiteit Brussels (VUB), Brussels, Belgium.



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