



## Forging a Collaborative Future to Advance Transportation Research & Development

ERTICO – ITS Europe and the National Academy of Sciences (NAS), through its Transportation Research Board (TRB), have entered a strategic partnership, formalised by signing a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) at the ITS World Congress in Dubai 2024. This collaboration aims to enhance transportation research and development by sharing knowledge, promoting professional growth, and advancing mutual goals in the sector.

The partnership reflects the shared vision of both organisations to shape the future of transportation through collaborative research, information exchange, and educational initiatives. It will play a pivotal role in providing leadership within the transportation community, both in Europe and globally. Additionally, it will drive innovation and support future transportation leaders and researchers through joint research projects, professional development programs, and the dissemination of key findings.

"The partnership between ERTICO and NAS highlights our joint commitment to advancing transportation research and practice. This MoU enables us to enhance coordination and impact in the field of transportation innovation," said Dr. Angelos Amditis, Chairman of ERTICO.

"This collaboration with the National Academy of Sciences is an exciting milestone. By leveraging our combined strengths, we are better equipped to lead the transformation of the transportation sector, promoting sustainable mobility and fostering innovation that benefits all stakeholders," said Joost Vantomme, CEO of ERTICO.

About ERTICO – ITS Europe: Founded in 1991, ERTICO is a European public-private partnership organisation, pioneered by the European Commission in 1991. With 120 members, connecting eight sectors across the ITS community. ERTICO embodies thought leadership and stakeholder engagement through facilitating, contributing and promoting innovation through European co-funded partnership projects, innovation platforms, mobility data spaces and international cooperation advocacy. ERTICO organises the ITS European Congress for two consecutive years, attracting more than 3,000 attendees from 50 countries and every third year, the ITS World Congress which welcomes up to 15,000 attendees from 100 countries.

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