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Self-driving vehicle activities at VTI, EU project BRAVE, and possibilities with co-simulation

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# Automation, connectivity and fossil-free propulsion

- Sensor and algorithm development → Automated Driving
- **Connectivity** enables (collaborative) "Intelligent transport system" C-ITS
- Electric drive lines

# But:

"The best way to predict the future is to create/invent it" (Lincoln? Alan Kay at Xerox PARC)

AD already in operation in mines, cordoned-off areas in ports, warehouses Strong business cases for platooning ("electronic vehicle trains")

# What does the future hold?



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# Automation, ITS and traffic safety

Position paper by WG, Forum of European Road Safety Research Institutes (FERSI)

- 1. How can AD/ITS improve traffic safety?
- 2. Which TS issues are not addressed? Areas or groups left out unless special action taken?
- **3**. Which TS issues may AD/ITS actually cause?
- 4. How should methods for testing, certification, validation etc. be developed?





# **EU** Automation projects at VTI (examples)

# **CoEXist** (Johan Olstam)

Preparing road administrations for the transition phase when automated and conventional vehicles need to co-exist

# **BRAVE** (Anders Lindström, coordinator) Assess and take measures to increase AD acceptance in society, with drivers, other road users (incl. vulnerable) through HMI and detection development

**ADAS&ME** (Anna Anund, coordinator) Driver-state-dependent transition handling

# CoEXist





# **BRAVE: test-driven**

3 M€

3 years

11 partners from France, Germany, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden; Australia; United States

- Attitudes and acceptance
- Develop HMI and VRU detection



three-stages incremental evaluation plan

# Simulation, test track and real-road testing



#### Test track & proving ground







#### VR and moving-base simulators





# **VRU detection and external HMI**





# **Co-simulation a useful tool**

## Bike simulator (VINNOVA/FFI)

*Projects:* Smarta gator (VINNOVA), interaktion cyklister/infrastruktur (VINNOVA/FFI med Ramböll), MULTIPLAYER (VINNOVA/FFI proposal)

# **Walking simulator** (EU H2020 BRAVE, Road admin.)

• Testing external HMIs, attitudes and acceptance

# Train driving simulator (Road admin.)

 Connecting traffic management with train drivers in a multi-train setup







# **Co-simulation a useful tool**

Allows for co-simulation between walking simulator, bicycle simulator and car/truck/bus driving simulator

Open architecture

Useful in all stages:

• design, test, user studies, education, training, screening, evaluation, driveabilitiy analysis









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# **Questions?**

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