



Leveraging Big Data to Manage Transport Operations (LeMO)

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Big Data's Implications for Transportation Operations

Sogndal, 08 November 2017. The European Commission has funded a new research project – LeMO - that is set to outline concrete steps for how European Transport industry can capture a greater share of the big data market by 2020. The €1.49 million initiative is the significant to study actual practices in big data in transportation. LeMO will use information from seven case studies to identify how the use of big data in European Transport industry can harness the potential benefits associated with big data.

The kick-off meeting of the EU project "LeMO" took place in Brussels on November 7, 2017. Around 15 participants and European Commission Project Officer, Filipa Vieira Matias, attended the kick-off meeting to plan work packages and the development of first strategies. The meeting was chaired by LeMO coordinator Professor Rajendra Akerkar of Vestlandsforskning, Norway.

LeMO will explore the implications of the utilisation of big data to enhance the economic sustainability and competitiveness of European transport sector. The project will study and analyse big data in the European transport domain in particular with respect to five transport dimensions: mode, sector, technology, policy and evaluation. LeMO will bring crucial issues linked to privacy, data security and legal aspects to the forefront, paving the way for future legal framework for the collection and exploitation of big data in transport.

The ultimate outcome of LeMO will be a policy and research roadmap for transport big data in Europe that addresses the needs and concerns of science, industry, policy-makers and citizens, and a steering group to build on those gains and drive the big data economy forward.

To find out more about the project, please contact Rajendra Akerkar, LeMO Coordinator: rak@vestforsk.no

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