

Project's history

CESARE project started in 1998. After the first three phases which dealt with service definition, technical, operational and contractual interoperability, tenders and system implementation, the final fourth phase aims at defining a framework for establishing an interoperable EETS – European Electronic Toll Service, functioning in a coordinated way at European level.



OBJECTIVES AND ORGANISATION

- Define a set of basic guidelines for providing EETS (technical, contractual, legal and procedural).
- Define and establish the Interoperability Management (IM) role.
- Solve open issues from previous projects, as far as required for a functioning EETS.
- Define a migration path from the current status to EETS, utilizing the experience from regional projects and RCI by working through five working packages.



PARTNERS

The CESARE IV project is led by ASECAP and the project partners are represented by 10 ASECAP members and 7 Public Administrations from Finland, France, Germany, The Netherlands, Sweden, Switzerland, United Kingdom.

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CESARE IV WP03: THE INTEROPERABILITY MANAGEMENT PREPARATION AND IMPLEMENTATION

On the 25th of March 2009, following the results of WP02, Work Package 03 has started its activities. The project description defines the following objectives for WP03:

- prepare for the establishment of the IM (Interoperability Management) and
- define the final and detailed functions and procedures for the daily operation of the IM. The work of WP03 is due to be finished in December this year. WP 03 focuses on the IM functions and procedures. The daily operation of EETS performed by the EETS Providers and the Toll Chargers is, according to the CESARE IV project definition, out of scope of WP 03. The WP03 will however look closely at existing interoperability schemes and draw experience from these relevant to implementing the IM. CESARE IV will also continue its co-operation

The following three reports are described in the work plan for WP 03:

• D 3.1 - An Implementation plan for the IM, - which will describe the stakeholders that have to be established on the European and national levels, the operational infrastructure that should be established as well as the business model and contractual relationships.

with the CESARE IV Advisory Forum consisting of some of the potential EETS providers.

- D 3.2 The EETS Road Map, where the Road Map is the combination of all the identified actions that need to be carried out, where each action is specified in time and by responsibility.
- D 3.3 Final IM operational functions and procedures, which will include some examples on how the main operational procedures defined in D 2.2 could be implemented in real life systems as well as checking whether there are procedures missing and a description and allocation of these missing operational procedures. The first draft versions of Reports D 3.2 and D 3.3 have been issued for comments and discussion early September.

Of major significance for the WP03 was the EETS Decision of March 27th 2009, giving additional requirements and conditions for the EETS. As the Decision describes some requirements which differ somewhat from what has been foreseen in the previous work packages in CESARE IV, some adjustments have had to be made in the planning of WP03. The CESARE IV results reflect the competence and experience of all the European EFC experts and organisations that have been involved so far in the project. There are issues where this competence and experience have caused differences between the CESARE IV results and the Decision. It has, however, been a major goal of the partners of the CESARE IV to provide the best possible advice to the European Commission and to act as independent experts.

WPO3 is progressing according to the agreed work plan. So far, three plenary meetings and a workshop have led to the nearly completion of the first report D3.1 "An implementation Plan for the IM".



CESARE IV PARTICIPATION

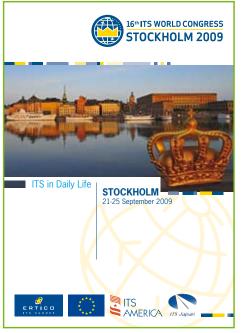
in International Conferences

CESARE IV has been invited to take part in the **IBTTA** (International Bridge, Tunnel and Turnpike Association) **Interoperability Summit** which took place in **Tampa, Florida**, from the 14th to the 16th of June 2009: CESARE IV Project Leader, Mr. Anton Sieber, was guest speaker in a special general session called "*Interoperability is hard in Europe too!*", where panellists from Europe and from North America could exchange views on the matter. Interoperability is in fact becoming a very hot topic also in the United States. Mr. Sieber had also a presentation in a specific technical session called "*Interoperability: is the juice worth the squeeze?*", more focused on the legal and financial perspectives of the interoperability. For more information about this event and to download all the presentations you can visit the following web-site: **www.ibtta.org**

Also in the framework of IBTTA, **CESARE IV** will participate in the **77th IBTTA Annual Meeting & Exhibition**, which will be held in **Chicago, Illinois**, from the 13th to the 16th of September 2009. CESARE IV will have a poster session, focused on first project's results. Poster sessions, which will be held Monday and Tuesday, September 14th & 15th, 2009 during IBTTA Annual Meeting & Exhibition, are very popular in IBTTA



events: they expand meeting content beyond traditional podium presentations and highlight member research projects in an open forum. This year poster sessions will fall under one of the following categories: a description of an innovative project or program, an analysis of a practical problem-solving effort, a report of a research study.



CESARE IV will attend the **16th ITS World Congress** which will take place in **Stockholm, Sweden**, from the 21st to the 25th of September 2009: CESARE IV will have an exhibition space within the stand of the European Commission and will take part in a **special scientific session dedicated to EETS** (*European Electronic Toll Service*) - held on Friday the 25th of September from 9.00 am to 10.30 am in the A3 room - whose title will be "*Bringing*"

EETS alive – the road to interoperable tolling".



To know more about the 16th ITS World Congress you can visit the following web-site: www.itsworldcongress.com



ASECAP THINK TANK 2009:

"Paving the way to a pan-european electronic tolling reality: The CESARE IV project and future perspectives"

In cooperation with the CESARE IV Project, ASECAP will organise, on Friday the **23rd of October 2009** at the **Renaissance Hotel in Brussels,** an event which will illustrate the latest Interoperability developments in the light of the European Commission's Decision on EETS and the results of the CESARE IV Project.

The seminar will offer participants the opportunity to debate with EU decision-makers, ASECAP members, potential EETS providers and other stakeholders on the necessity to move from myths to the reality and on the future of Europe's tolling policies.

The conference will consist in the presentation of the European Interoperability developments in the framework of the Project CESARE IV and in a debate between ASECAP Think tank members, EU institutions and Member States representatives, potential EETS providers and other stakeholders.

The event will be structured in two political sessions (opening panel and closing round table) and two "brainstorming" sessions, where ASECAP experts will present the state of the art and future tolling projects in their respective countries, therefore delivering an exhaustive photograph of the European realities.

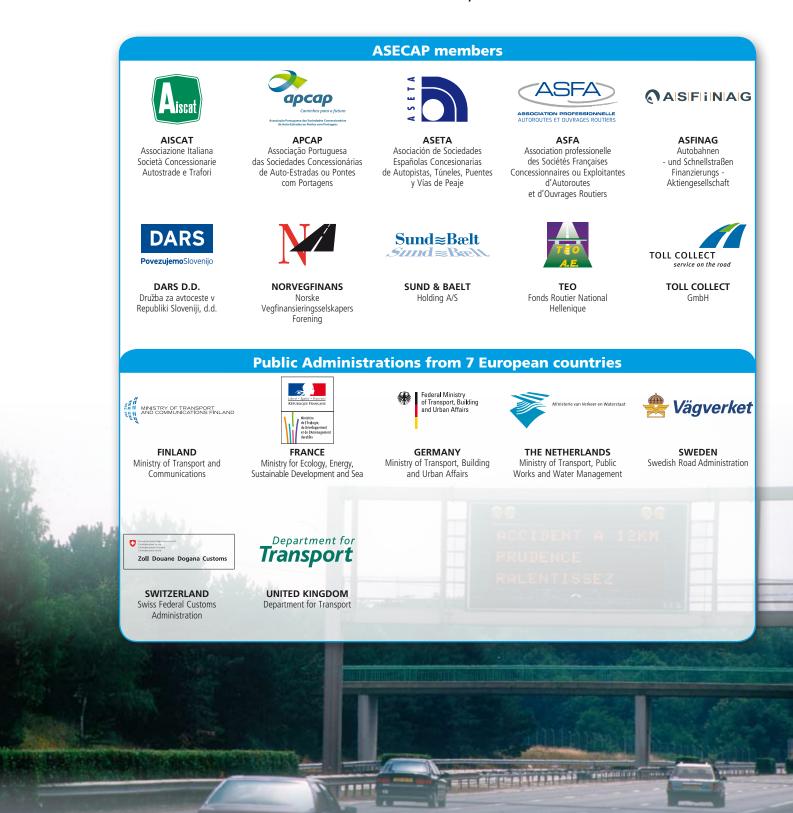
You can find the preliminary program, as well as the registration form both in the ASECAP and CESARE IV websites (www.asecap.com and www.cesareiv.eu).





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