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## **7th EC Framework Programme - Possible themes for a partnership with the Technische Universität Dresden/Transport and Infrastructure Planning**

The Chair for Transport and Infrastructure Planning (vip) of Prof. Dr.-Ing. Gerd-Axel Ahrens works in the field of "integrated planning of transportation measures for all modes on all planning levels". It is part of the interdisciplinary Faculty for Traffic and Transportation Sciences "Friedrich List" of the Dresden University of Technology ([www.verkehrswissenschaften.org](http://www.verkehrswissenschaften.org)) in Germany.

We are looking for potential cooperation partners in future projects within the 7<sup>th</sup> Framework Programme of the EU.

Due to our limited capacity we do not intend to initiate projects to be a lead partner. However, we would be glad to contribute as project partners with our experience and database to planned work packages e. g. in the following areas:

1. Urban travel behaviour and data  
We have been collecting behavioural data in German cities since 1972 every five years. The most recent data is from 2003. The next large scale survey is in preparation for 2008.
2. Effects of demographic changes on traffic and transport - analyses, forecasts, necessary measures and strategies for adjustment
3. Transport planning for an aging society

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4. Mobility management, bicycle planning and promotion; interdependencies between bicycling and public transportation
5. Integrated transport planning processes, integration of land use and transport planning, possibilities to accelerate planning processes and to reach acceptance and consensus for measures.
6. Research cooperation with new EU member countries. TUD-vip coordinates T-NEG (Transportation in New EU-member Countries - General Research Network for Harmonization and Integration)

Currently, we are working in the EU funded coordination action EURFORUM (European Research Forum for Urban Mobility) as part of a consortium together with UITP, ECTRI, EMTA, POLIS and ASSTRA. We like to build up on this experience and support the EU's efforts to foster sustainable urban transport with our know-how.

It might be also worth noting that our Faculty of Traffic and Transport "Friedrich List" at the Technische Universität Dresden is a very large interdisciplinary research unit for all kinds of transport and mobility issues. Almost 30 professors with a staff of more than one hundred employees are part of it and have substantial experience with EU projects. Enclosed you find a list of the professors and the institutes of the faculty. Please contact us, if any of our members of the faculty and also from T-NEG might be of interest to you. We would be glad to help arranging the "best" consortium.

Since I am on vacation from 5 March to 23 March 2007, I suggest to contact my colleagues Anne Pitrone (tel. +49 351 46339483, [anne.pitrone@tu-dresden.de](mailto:anne.pitrone@tu-dresden.de)) or Thomas Böhmer (tel. +49 351 463 36691, [thomas.boehmer@tu-dresden.de](mailto:thomas.boehmer@tu-dresden.de) ) in case you are looking for research collaboration.

I look forward to hearing from you.

With best regards from Dresden,

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