

# Project LEVITATE Final Conference

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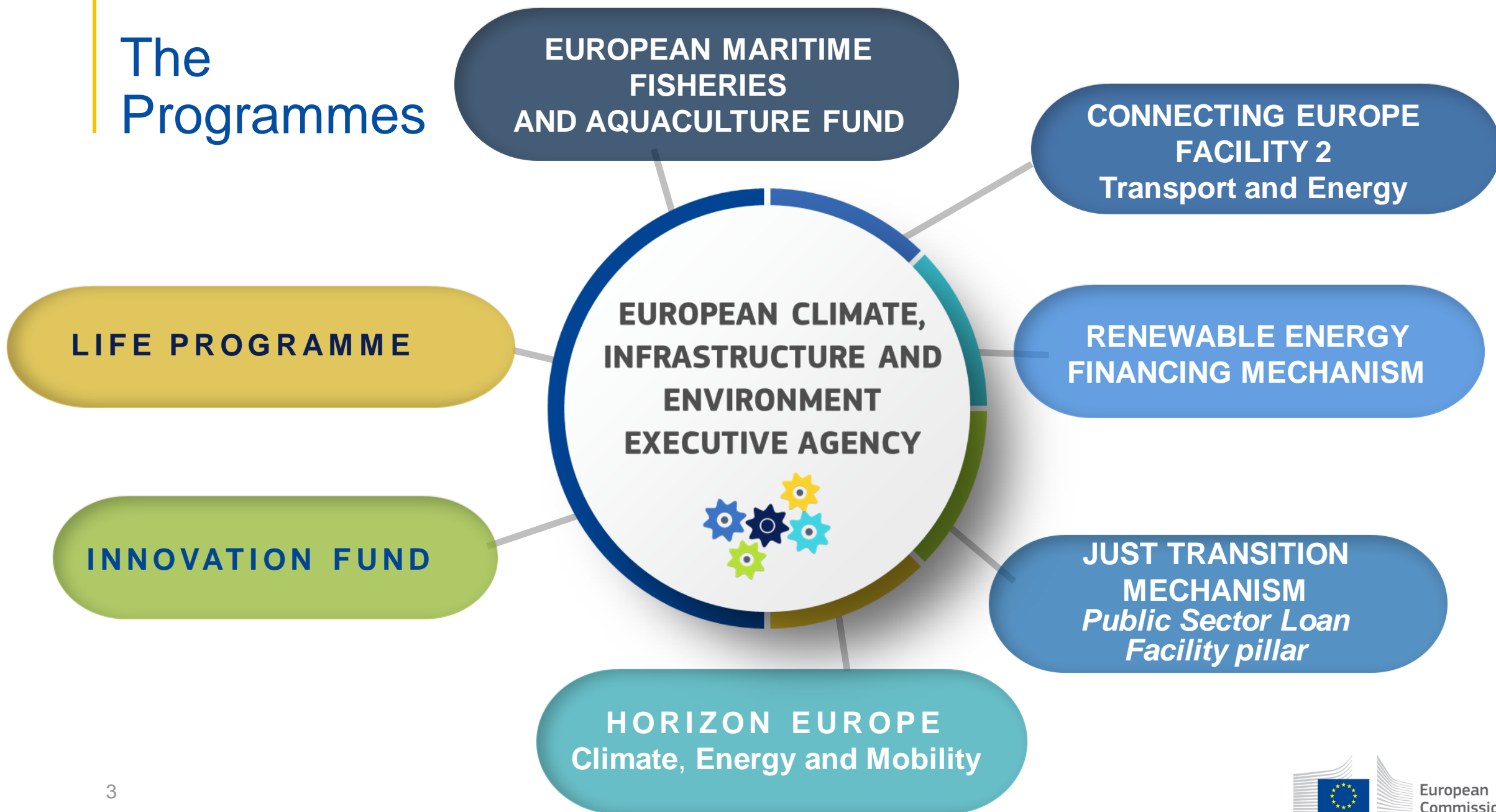
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## Final Conference, Brussels 25 May 2022



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# The Programmes



- Co-programmed European Partnership on CCAM
- Kicked-off in Horizon Europe
- Align all stakeholders
- Accelerate innovation in mobility in Europe by developing a shared R&I agenda
- Enable a more user-centred all-inclusive mobility
- Reduce congestion and contribute to protecting environment



# HE Cluster 5 – First calls on CCAM 2021 & 2022

## VEHICLE TECHNOLOGIES

## VALIDATION

## INTEGRATING VEHICLE IN THE TRANSPORT SYSTEM

## KEY ENABLING TECHNOLOGIES

## SOCIETAL ASPECTS AND USER NEEDS

## COORDINATION

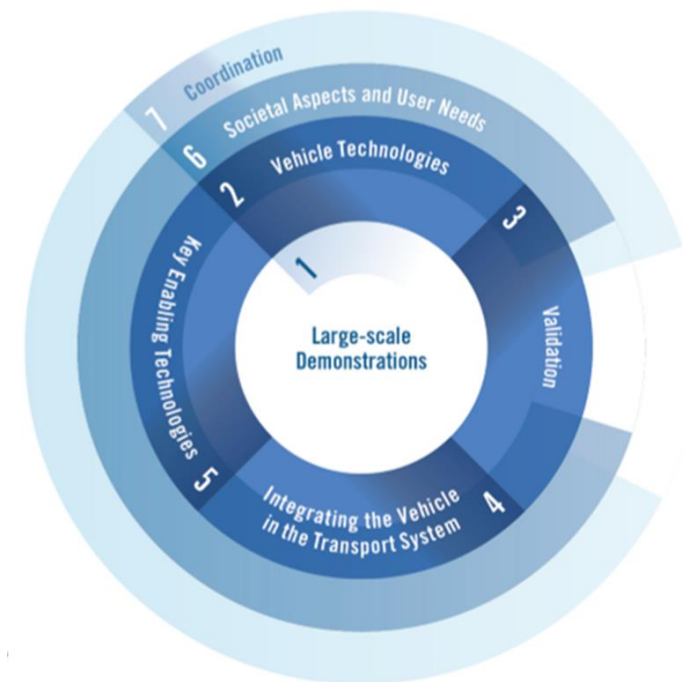
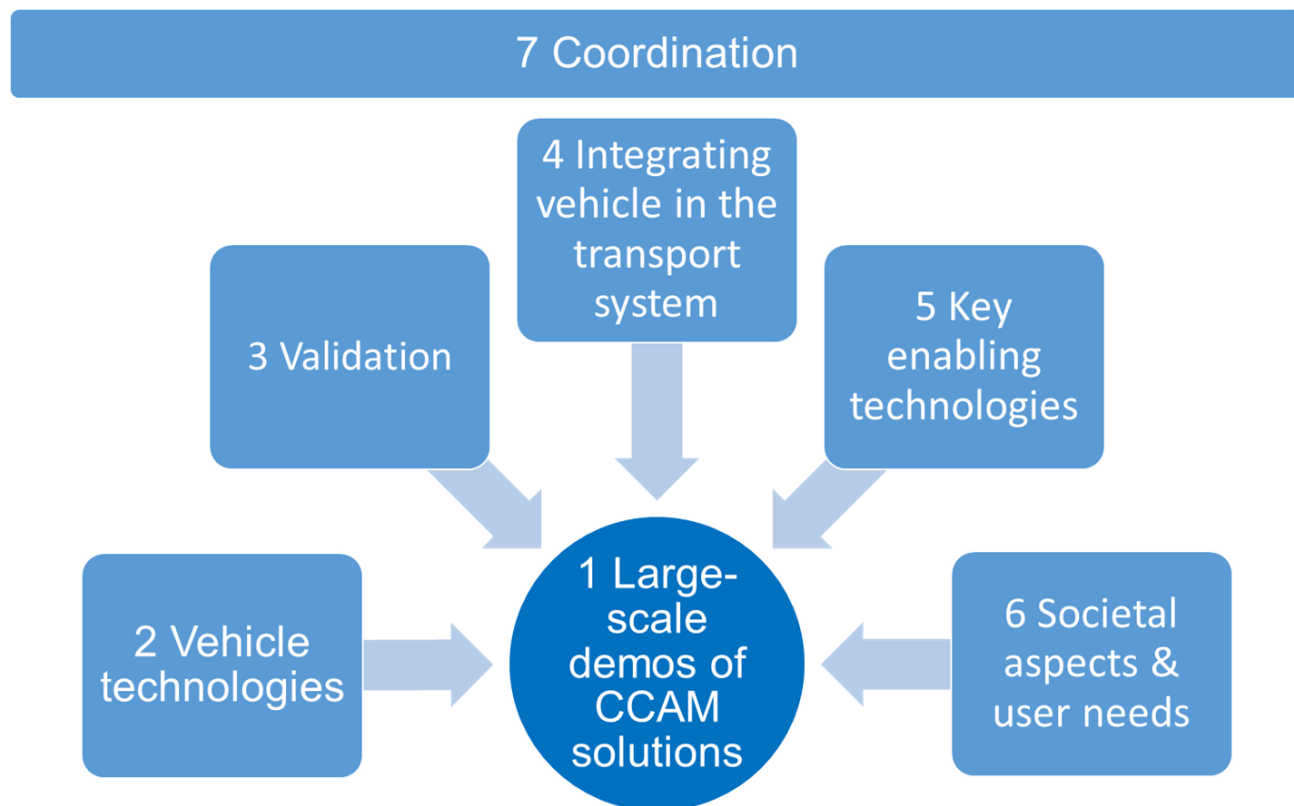
## LARGE-SCALE DEMONSTRATIONS

- On-board perception and decision-making technologies, addressing complex environmental conditions **(2021)**
- Reliable occupant protection technologies and HMI solutions to ensure the safety of highly automated vehicles **(2022)**
- Common approaches for the safety validation of CCAM systems **(2021)**
- Human behavioural model to assess the performance of CCAM solutions compared to human driven vehicles **(2022)**
- Physical and Digital Infrastructure (PDI), connectivity and cooperation enabling and supporting CCAM **(2021)**
- Integrate CCAM services in fleet and traffic management systems **(2022)**
- Cyber secure and resilient CCAM **(2021)**
- Artificial Intelligence (AI): Explainable and trustworthy concepts, techniques and models for CCAM **(2022)**
- Analysis of socio-economic and environmental impacts and assessment of societal, citizen and user aspects for needs based CCAM solutions **(2021)**
- Framework for better coordination of large-scale demonstration pilots in Europe and EU-wide knowledge base **(2021)**
- European demonstrators for integrated shared automated mobility solutions for people and goods **(2022)**

# European Partnership on CCAM – R&I Agenda

**Multiannual roadmap, guiding the CCAM Partnership.**

**Describes the portfolio of activities, resources, and timeline for 7 main R&I areas.**





# Flagship Automated Road Transport 'Horizon 2020' projects

## Projects' Acronym

Large Scale Pilots  
of automated driving systems for passenger vehicles



Fully automated urban road transport and shared AV  
fleets in urban areas



Multi-brand truck platooning  
and autonomous real logistics operations



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# Welcome Words



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## Societal Level Impact of Connected and Automated Vehicles (CAVs)

### HORIZON 2020 PROJECT

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Project coordinator: Loughborough University

Start date: 1st of December, 2018 – 3.5 years

Partners: 12 – from 10 countries

Total value €6.5 m

# Project partners



# Why LEVITATE?

- High expectations about CAVs in terms of safety, mobility, environment and prosperity
- Most previous research has focused on the technology and functionality of CAVs
- There is a gap in knowledge of the likely impacts of the vehicles and the services they enable, particularly during the transition phase
- The need to measure the impacts of existing systems as well as forecasting the impact of future systems represents a major challenge
- The dimensions for assessment are wide including safety, mobility and environment, with many sub-divisions adding to the complexity of future mobility forecasts








# LEVITATE

- ...has a focus on cities and is helping administrations achieve policy goals regarding CAVs
- ...has analysed the impact of the introduction of CAVs onto EU roads
- ...has developed methods to forecast the impacts of CAV technologies and services
- ...has applied the methods to 'hot topics' proposed by the cities
- ...has developed a new policy support tool to provide policymakers with the best forecasts for their city

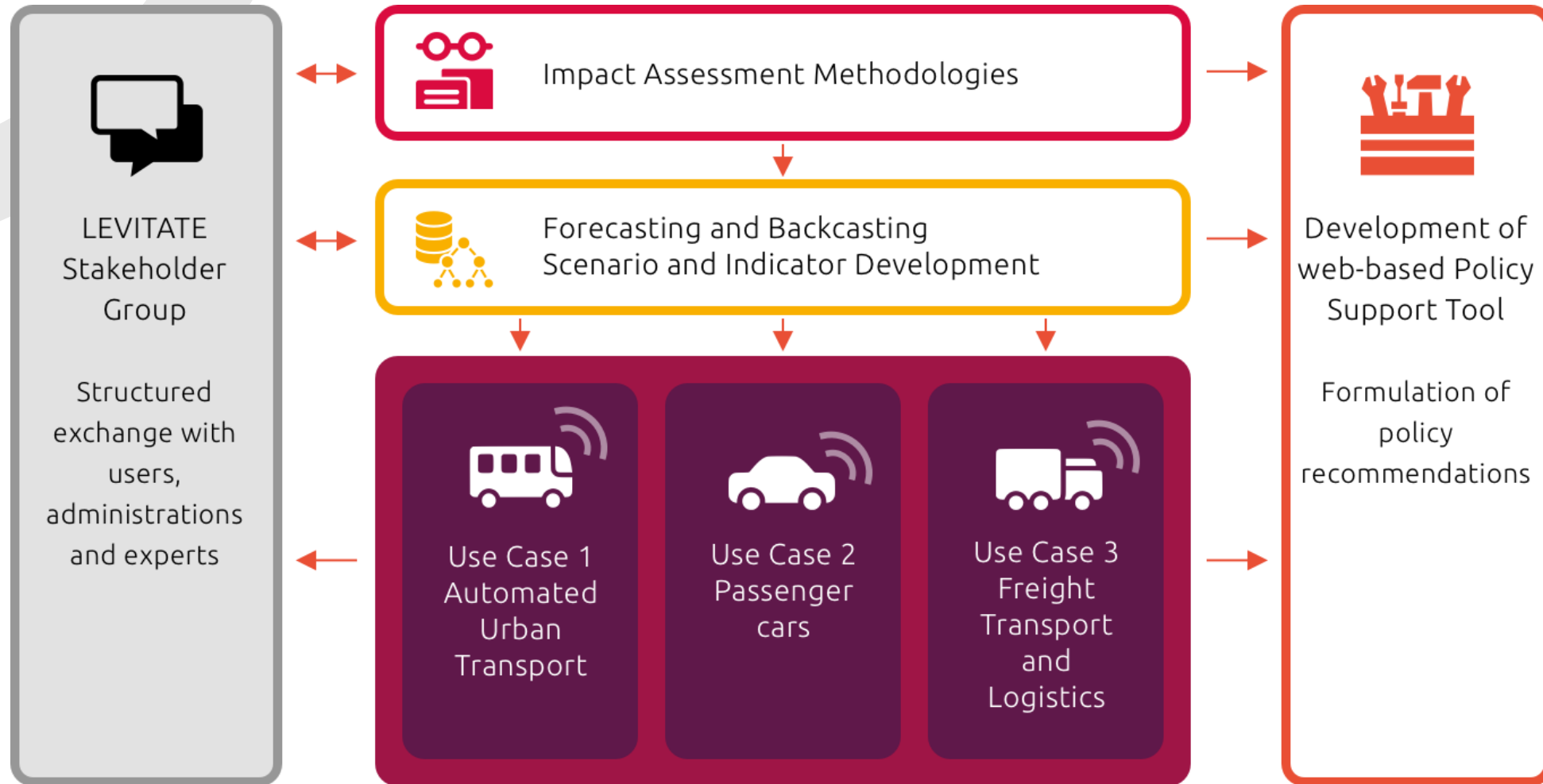


# Scope – connectivity and automation related services

Use case	Sub-use cases				
<b>Urban mobility</b> 	Single point to point shuttle	Point to point shuttle across wide area	On demand anywhere to anywhere shuttle	On demand last mile shuttle	On demand e-hailing service
<b>Passenger cars</b> 	Dedicated lanes for CAVs	Road use pricing	Parking space regulations	Automated ride sharing	Green light optimal speed advisory
<b>Freight and logistics</b> 	Automated urban delivery	Automated freight consolidation	Hub to hub automated transport	Platooning on urban bridges	



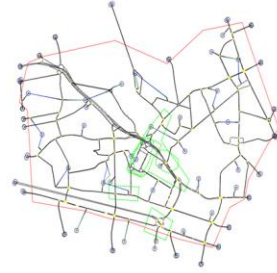
# Work Plan Overview



# Methods within LEVITATE

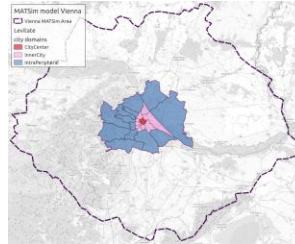
- **Microscopic Simulation**

- Traffic,
- Safety, and
- Environment Impacts



- **Mesososcopic Simulation**

- modal split
- road network loads
- vehicle utilisation rate



- **System Dynamics**

- Modelling the system by broken down sub-system components
- Algebraic relationships and sometimes differential equations.
- Linear or non-linear functions.
- Relationships can be continuous or discrete time events
- Feedback loops
- Simulation of the entire system level model



- **Delphi + Experts**

- For items / relationships that cannot be predicted
- Group of experts and a collective opinion



- **Operations Research**

- Freight Transport Use Case only
- Optimization algorithms for tour planning (fastest tour)

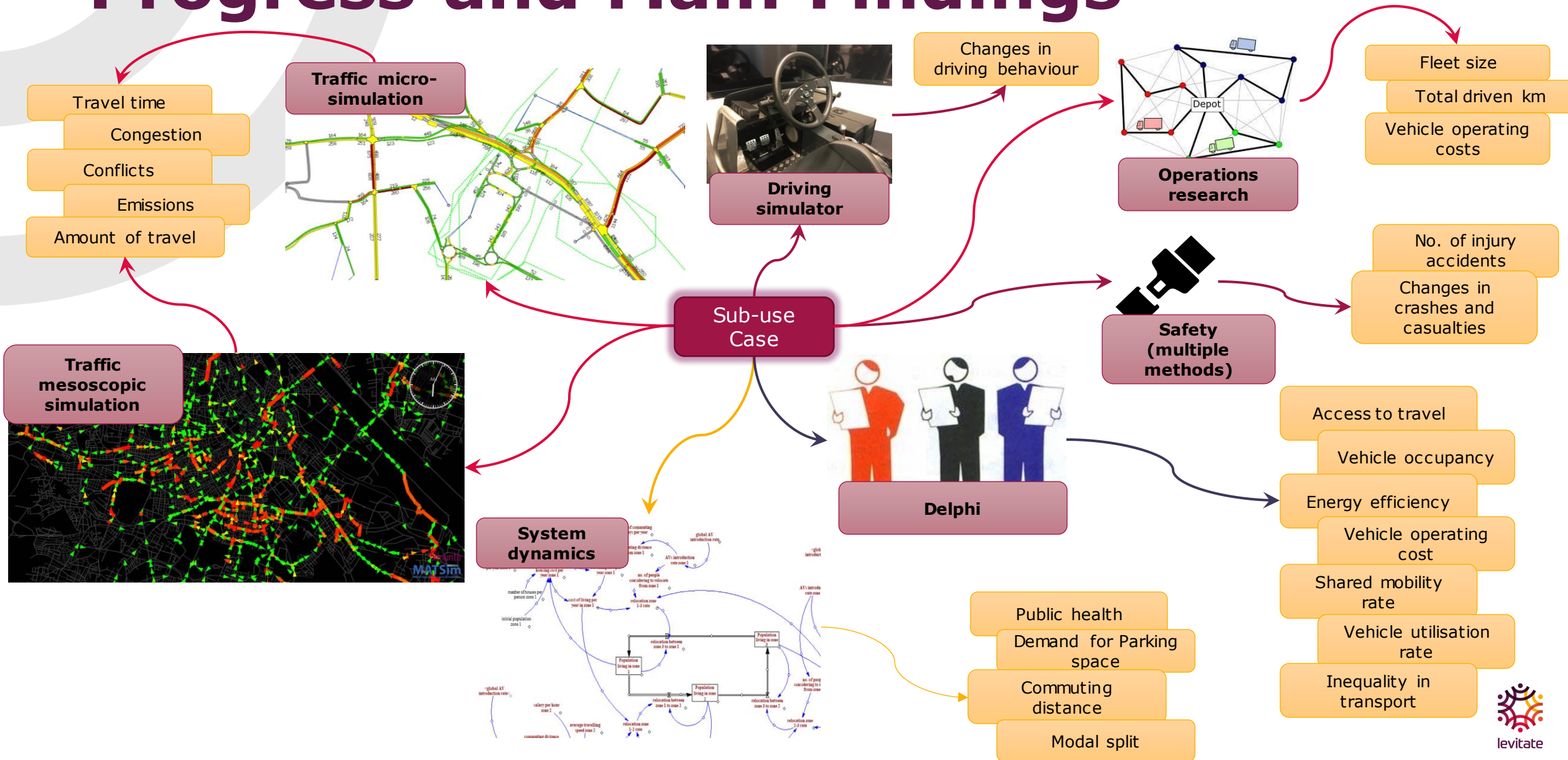


- **Driving Simulator**

- Validation of some parts of simulation within this project



# Progress and Main Findings



# Policy Support Tool

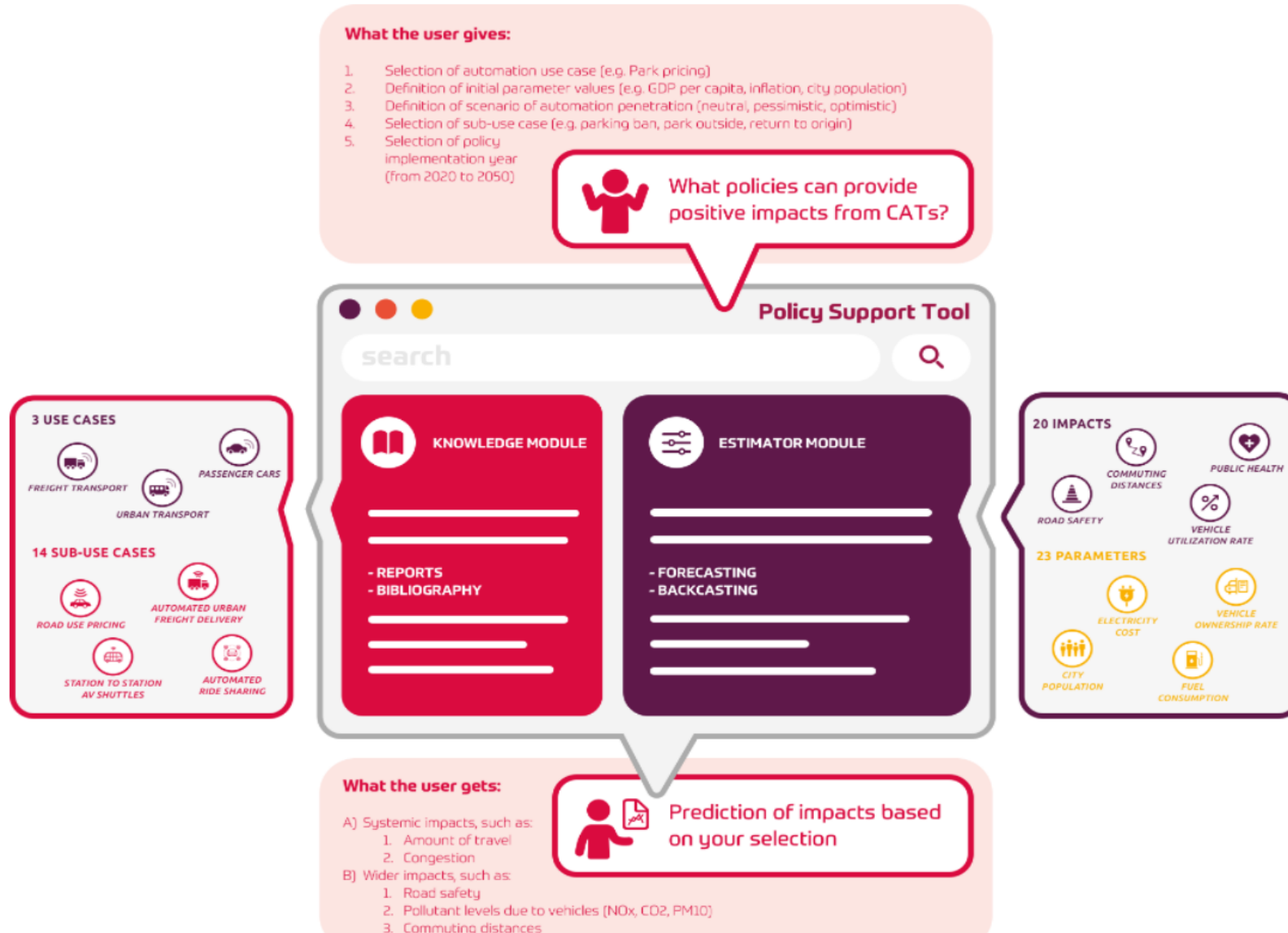


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# Concept



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## Our Thoughts on Future Requirements

- Need to **extend the Policy Support Tool** in terms of scope with new technologies in the pipeline
- Need to examine **Transferability** of the Methods and Results
- Need to consider support for cities who need **CCAM knowledge** for new policies
- Need to dig deeper to look at the potential **wider societal impacts** of CCAM



# LEVITATE Conference: Plan for Today

## **METHODS**

10.30: The underlying methods and assumptions behind the LEVITATE impact assessment framework

***11.15: Refreshments***

## **KEY RESULTS**

11.45: The short, medium and long-term impacts of CAVs, including the expected impacts of policy interventions:

12.15: Selected case studies

## **POLICY PERSPECTIVE**

12.35: The role of LEVITATE in understanding the policy implications of CAVs

***13.00-14.00: Lunch***

14.00: LEVITATE Policy Support Tool

Hands-on trial of the PST CAV impacts prediction module, facilitated by LEVITATE partners

## **CLOSING SESSION**

# Building Blocks of the LEVITATE impact assessment framework



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# Determining the impacts of most relevance to cities



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# Gaining an overview of societal impacts of connected and automated vehicles

- **This was one of the first activities in LEVITATE**
- **A taxonomy of impacts was developed**
- **Impacts were classified**
- **A causal diagram was developed**

# **A total of 33 potential impacts were identified**

- **Direct impacts**
  - **Noticed on each trip**
- **Systemic impacts**
  - **In the transport system**
- **Wider impacts**
  - **In society at large**

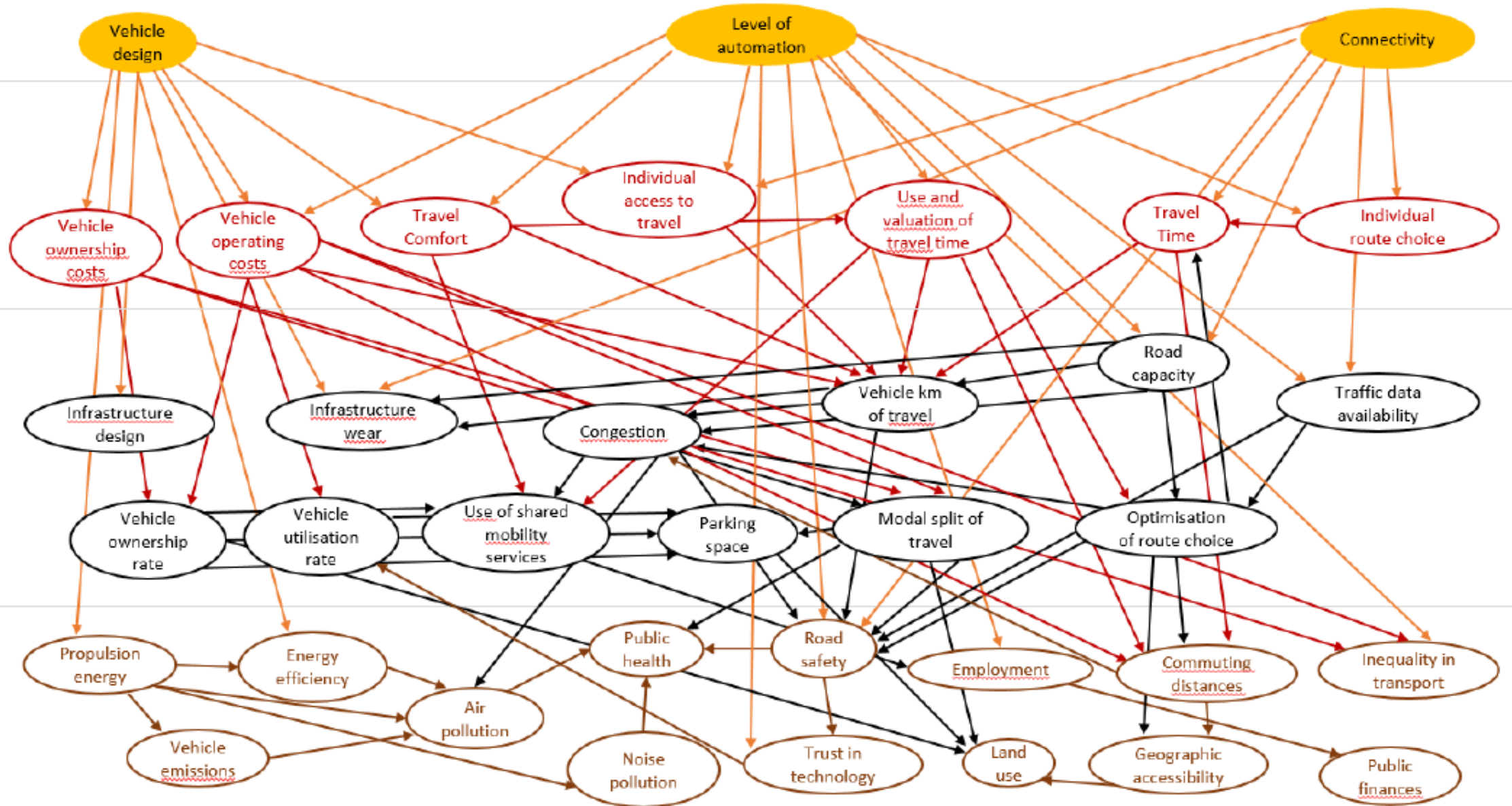
# Primary impacts

Impact  
generators

Direct  
impacts

Systemic  
impacts

Wider  
impacts





# **Impacts of most relevance to cities**

- **The systemic and wider impacts, in particular:**
  - **Use of shared mobility**
  - **Modal split of travel**
  - **Public health**
  - **Commuting distances**
  - **Etc**
- **Urban transport policy should aim for these impacts**

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# Developing backcasting: starting from desired visions



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# What about the city *goals*?

Several approaches on different geographical / organizational level, e.g.

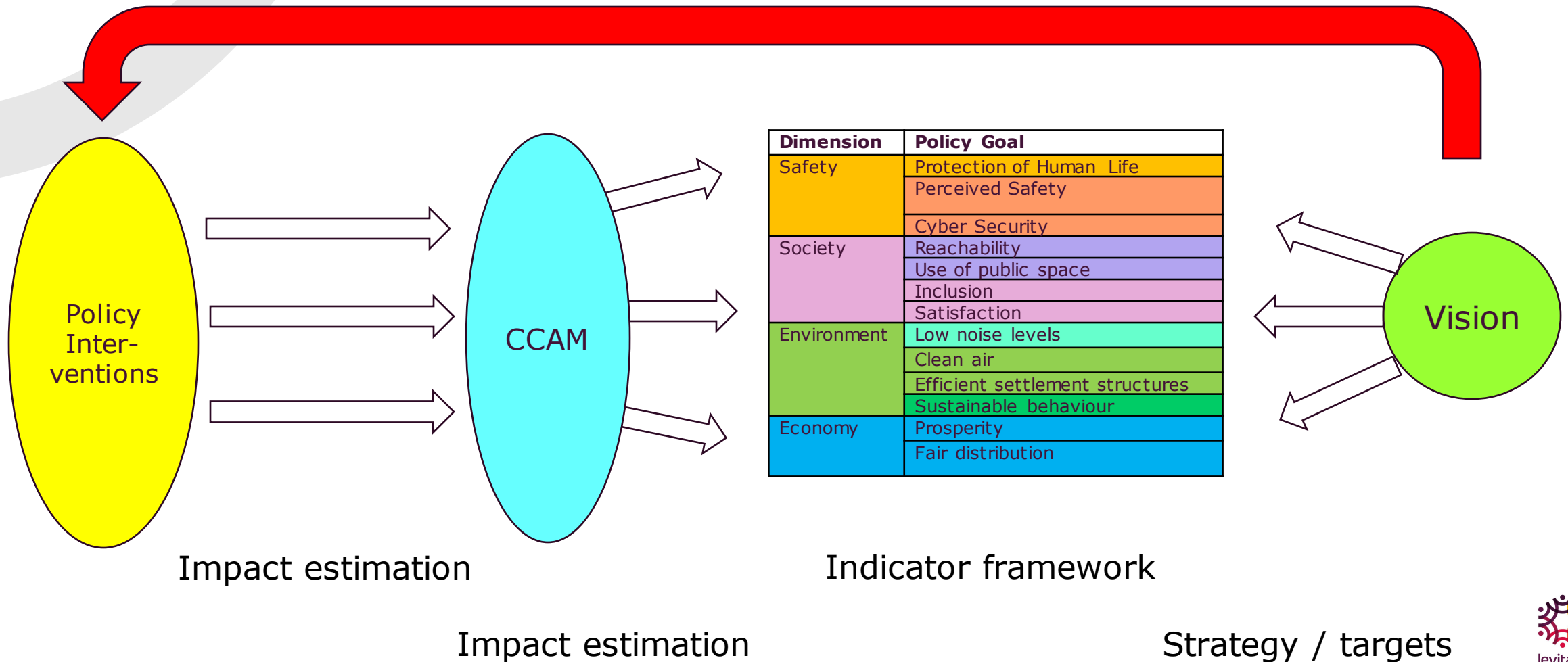
- SDG: Sustainable Development Goals (United Nations)
- SUMI: Sustainable Urban Mobility Indicators
- City Strategies (examples: Vienna, Greater Manchester)

→ *Goals / targets / indicators* have been classified along several dimensions:

Society - Environment - Economy - Safety

→ Different *desirable visions* might be specified!

# Backcasting in LEVITATE – the big picture



# Definition of quantified impacts

Policy Goals → Indicators →  
Calculated Impacts

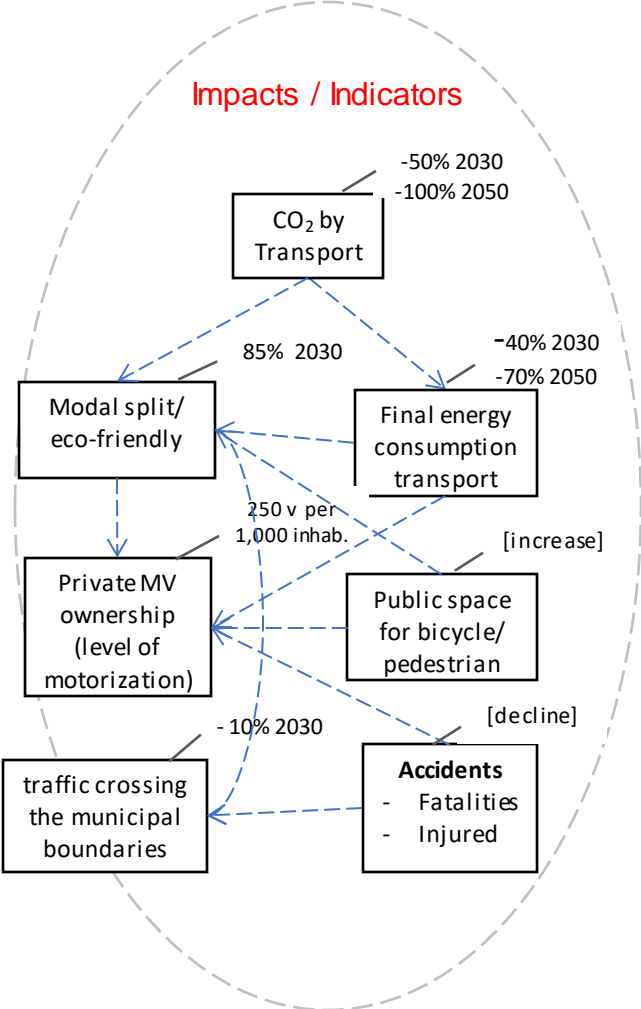
Dimension	Policy Goal
Safety	Protection of Human Life
	Perceived Safety
	Cyber Security
Society	Reachability
	Use of public space
	Inclusion
	Satisfaction
Environment	Low noise levels
	Clean air
	Efficient settlement structures
	Sustainable behaviour
Economy	Prosperity
	Fair distribution



Impact	Description
Travel time	Average duration of a 5Km trip inside the city centre
Vehicle operating cost	Direct outlays for operating a vehicle per kilometre of travel
Freight Transport Cost	
Access to travel	The opportunity of taking a trip whenever and wherever wanted (10 points Likert scale)
Congestion	Average delays to traffic (seconds per vehicle-kilometre) as a result of high traffic volume
Amount of travel	Person kilometres of travel per year in an area
Modal split using public transport	% of trip distance made using public transportation
Modal split using active travel	% of trip distance made using active transportation (walking, cycling)
Shared mobility rate	% of trips made sharing a vehicle with others
Vehicle utilisation rate	% of time a vehicle is in motion (not parked)
Vehicle occupancy	average % of seats in use
Truck Platooning	
Road safety	Number of traffic conflicts per vehicle-kilometre driven (temp. until crash relation is defined).
Parking space	Required parking space in the city centre per person (m <sup>2</sup> /person)
Energy efficiency	Average rate (over the vehicle fleet) at which propulsion energy is converted to movement
NO <sub>x</sub> due to vehicles	Concentration of NO <sub>x</sub> pollutants as grams per vehicle-kilometre (due to road transport only)
CO <sub>2</sub> due to vehicles	Concentration of CO <sub>2</sub> pollutants as grams per vehicle-kilometre (due to road transport only)
PM <sub>10</sub> due to vehicles	Concentration of PM <sub>10</sub> pollutants as grams per vehicle-kilometre (due to road transport only)
Public health	Subjective rating of public health state, related to transport (10 points Likert scale)
Accessibility in transport	The degree to which transport services are used by socially disadvantaged and vulnerable groups including people with disabilities (10 points Likert scale)
Commuting distances	Average length of trips to and from work (added together)

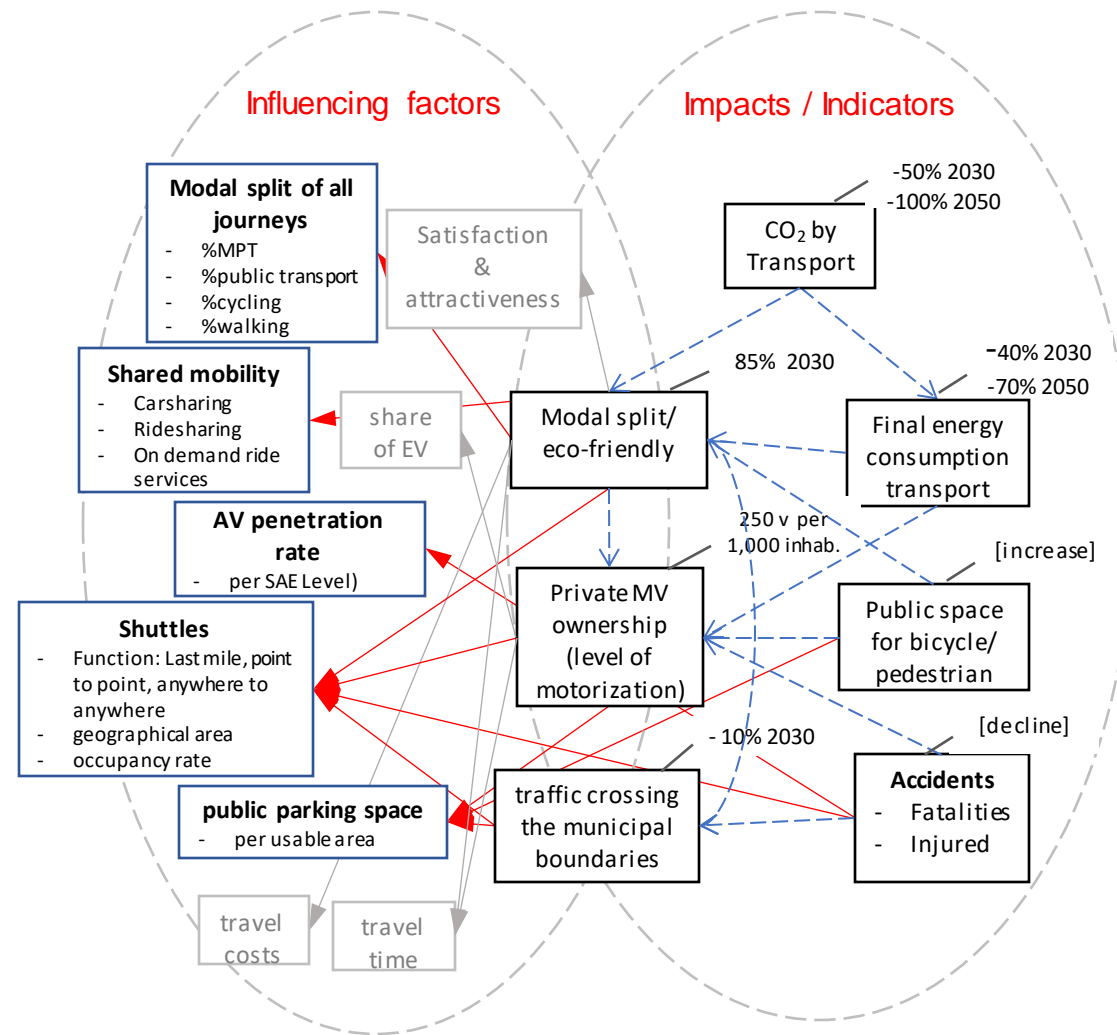


# City Division

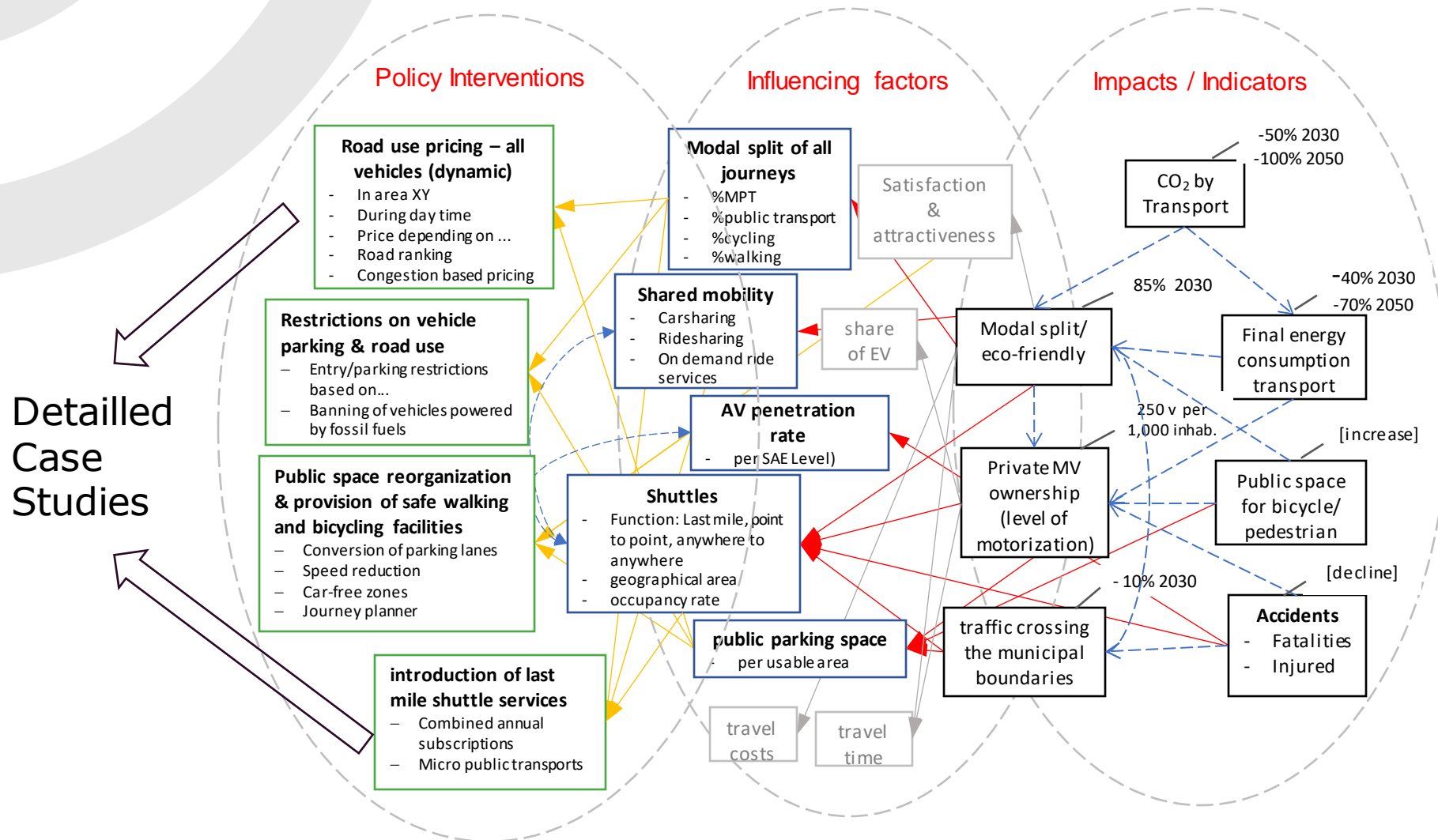




# City Dialogue Vienna – influencing factors (related to CCAM)



# City Dialogue Vienna – most promising areas of policy interventions



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# Defining the use cases and policy interventions



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# LEVITATE Use Cases

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**Passenger cars**



**Urban transport**



**Freight Transport**



# LEVITATE Use Cases

## Passenger cars

### Dedicated lanes for AVs

### Parking regulation

- Parking price regulation
- Removing half on-street parking spaces
- Replace on-street parking with other facilities

### Road use pricing

- Static toll
- Dynamic toll
- Exemptions for residents

### Green light optimised speed advisory (GLOSA)

### Automated ride sharing

## Urban transport

### Point to point automated shuttles

- Automated shuttles connecting two modes
- Automated shuttles in a large-scale network

### On-demand automated shuttles

### Last mile automated shuttles

## Freight Transport

### Automated urban delivery

- Semi-automated delivery
- Fully-automated delivery

### Automated consolidation

- Consolidated delivery via white label city-hubs

### Hub to hub automated transfer

### Truck platooning

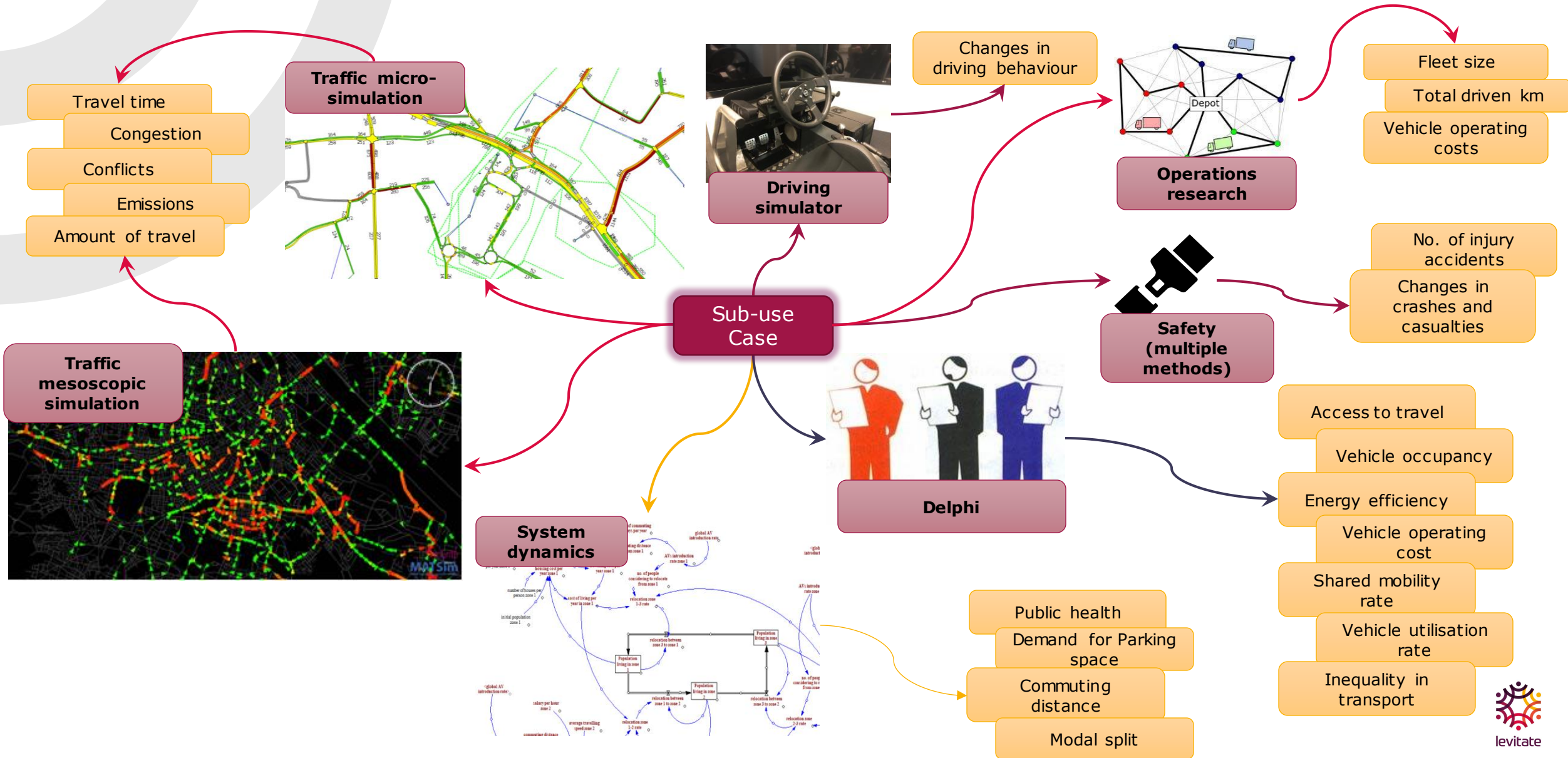
- Effects of truck platooning on highway bridges

# Process for Identifying the List

1. Generation of an initial long list by the consortium
2. Definition and **categorization**:
  - Application
  - **Intervention**
3. **Selection criteria** for the final list of **sub-use cases**:
  - Consultation of stakeholders during a **workshop**
  - Amount of **existing literature** on the topic
  - Importance in the ERTRAC Connected Automated Driving **Roadmap**
4. Refinement and clustering
5. Identify / develop **suitable methods** for the sub-use cases and the impact dimensions



# Multi-method framework



# Example: Automated delivery

- **Automated delivery:**  
Robo-van + delivery robots
- **Automated consolidation**  
Consolidated delivery via city-hubs
- Main method:  
**Operations research**
  - Define network
  - Generate addresses and POIs
  - Calculate delivery tours and evaluate results

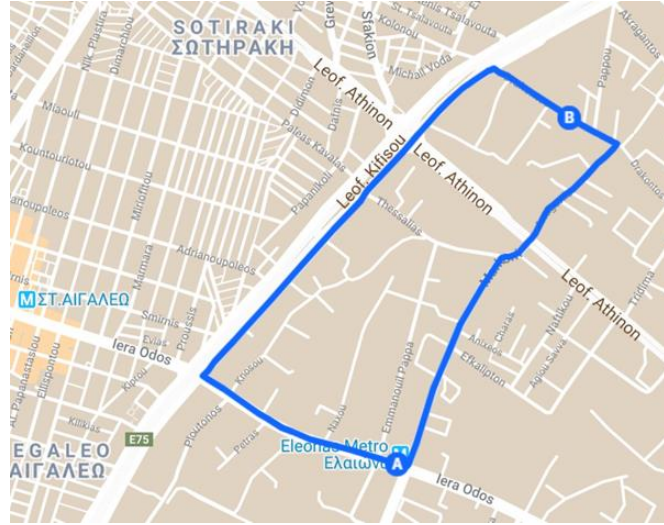


Automated van with delivery robots



# Example: Automated shuttles

- Automated shuttles connecting two modes
- Automated shuttles in a large-scale network



- Main method: **Micro-simulation** (Aimsun Next)
  - Define network
  - Define vehicle parameters and CAV market penetration rates
  - Define services and operating scenarios
  - Run simulation and evaluate results



Wendy Weijermars, SWOV

# Predicting the impact of CAVs on road safety



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# Road safety impacts within Levitate

Two-step approach:

1. In which ways is road safety impacted by CCAM?
2. Quantification of impacts

# Road safety impacts within Levitate

- Increasing penetration levels of CAVs (baseline scenario)
- Various SUCs

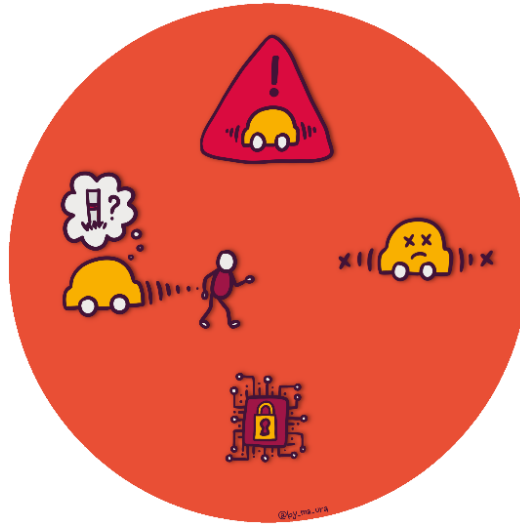
Passenger vehicles	Urban transport	Freight transport
Road use pricing	Point to point automated urban shuttle	Automated freight consolidation
Dedicated lanes	On demand automated urban shuttle	Automated urban freight delivery
Parking price policies		Hub to hub automated delivery
Parking space regulations		
GLOSA		
Automated ride sharing		



# Ways in which road safety is impacted



Improved driver behaviour



New risks



Transition of control

Rebound effects

# Quantification of impacts

- Not all impacts could be quantified!!



Improved driver  
behaviour

Microsimulation

VRUs: accident data and assumptions



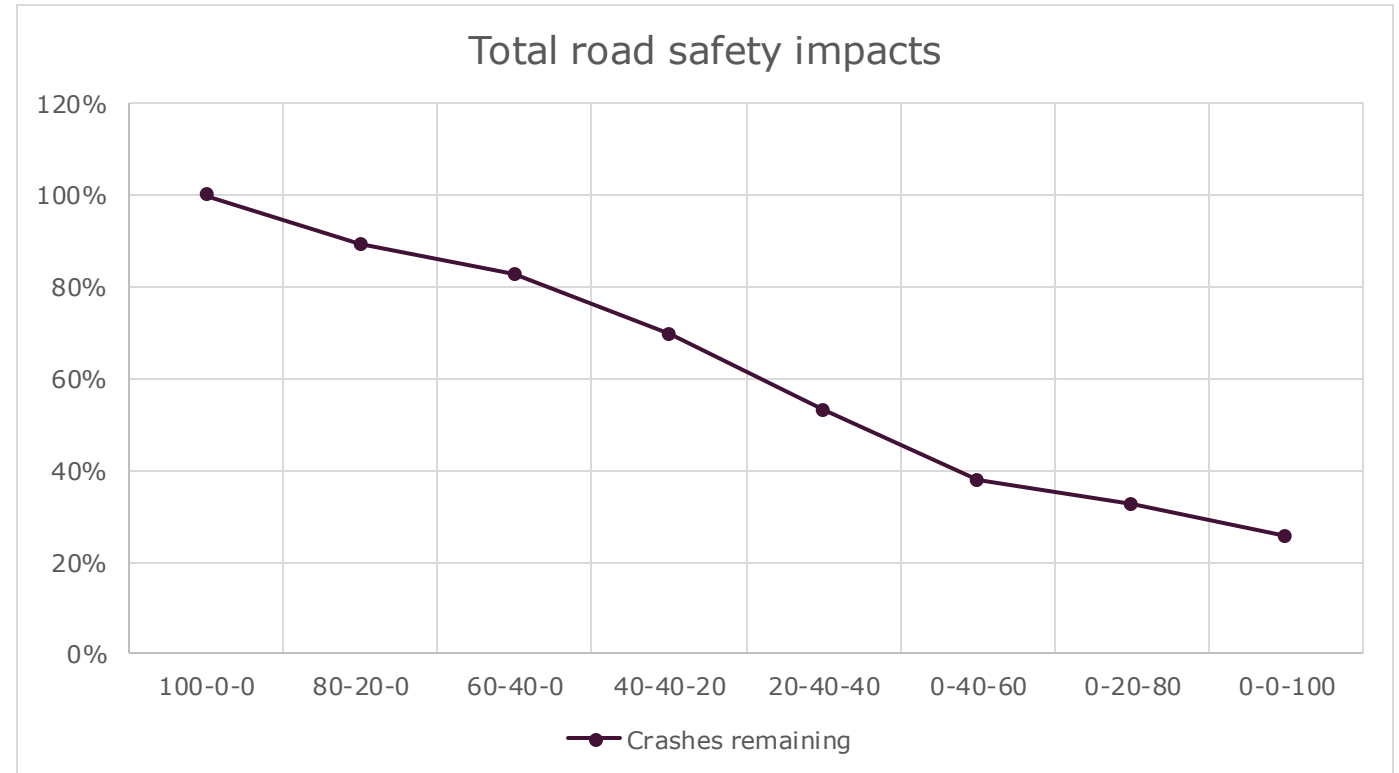
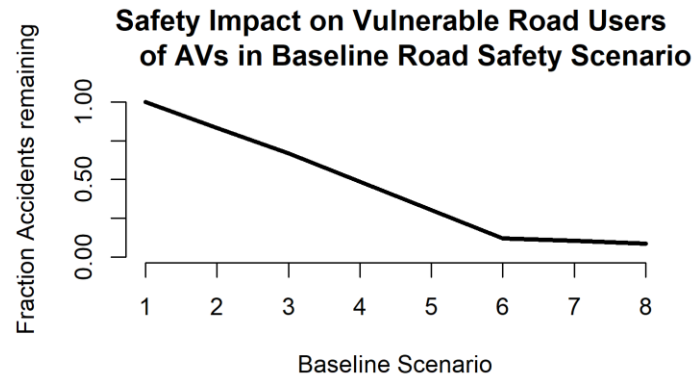
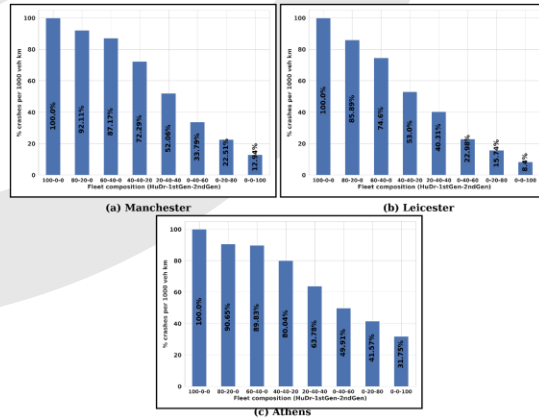
Changes in crash  
rates

Changes in distance  
travelled per transport  
mode



Changes in  
crashes

# Quantified impacts (baseline)



Knut J. L. Hartveit, TOI

# Conducting a cost-benefit analysis

Based on Hartveit & Veisten, 2022



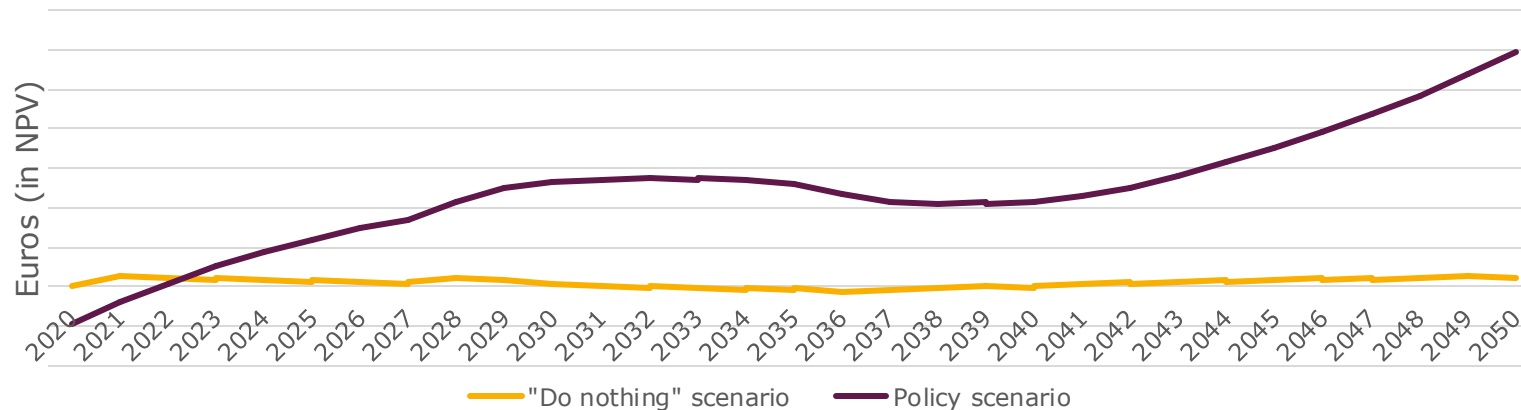
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# Concept of CBA

- Economic appraisal of different policy interventions
  - *How does a policy implementation scenario compare to a reference ("do nothing") scenario?*
- $NPV = -Investment + cash\ flow$  (effects over the time period)



Equivalently:

$NPV = -costs\ of\ intervention$  (investment + maintenance & management)  $+ benefits$  (monetised positive & negative impacts of intervention)

# CBA module within PST

## Input for CBA

### PST inputs/outputs

- x km driven
- x sec delay per km
- x crashes per mill. km
- x g emission per km
- Modal split
- Specific input for freight transport (and automated shuttles / ride sharing)
- Etc.

### Extra CBA input

- Discount rate
- Project lifetime
- Costs of implementing policy (for policy entity)
- Etc.

## CBA functionalities

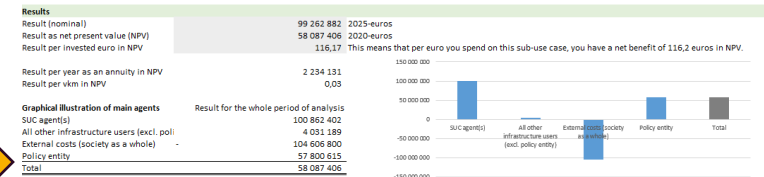
### Valuations

- Value of travel time change
- Average value of crash risk change
- Value of emission change
- Vehicle operating and ownership
- Etc.

### CBA – estimations

- Change in consumer & producer surpluses
- Change in monetized external effects
- Change in costs/income for policy entity
- Etc.

### Result page



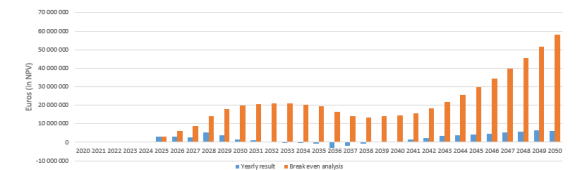
### Break even analysis

This analysis shows when/if the total investment cost yields a positive return.


Given the inputs and simulation results, the chosen sub-use case is profitable in 2025.

Figure: Break even analysis (in NPV)

First year of break even  
Not available



# Main CBA categories and agents

Main CBA categories	Sub-categories of the CBA	Agents (modes) of impacts
<b>Monetised impacts for infrastructure users</b> $(\Delta CS + \Delta PS)$	Consumer surplus changes for transport consumers	 Passenger car users (manual & automated) Active transport users (cycle & walk) Public transport users (rail & bus) Users of automated shuttle bus (& automated ride-sharing cars)
	Producer surplus changes for transport service providers	Public transport providers (rail & bus) Automated shuttle bus (& automated ride-sharing car) providers Freight transport providers (manual & automated)
<b>Monetised external impacts</b> $(\Delta M)$	Attributed monetised external effects (emissions, crashes, congestion) to transport modes	All transport modes «produce» some external effects
<b>Monetised effects for policy entity</b> $(\Delta PE)$	Income (parking space, fees) Cost of implementation	Policy entity (public or private)



# Dedicated lanes, motorway only

- Default values of the PST variables
- 500.000 inhabitants
- €1 million in start-up costs and €10,000 in running costs  
(set arbitrarily, equals €557,377 and €5,574 with GDP/capita of €17,000)
- Project period: 2025-2050

Impact (for all agents)	Monetised impacts, € /year (in NPV)	Monetised impacts, € (in NPV)/vkm	Agent	Monetised impacts, € /year (in NPV)	Monetised impacts, € (in NPV)/vkm
Travel time & internal delay impact	-26,038,269	-0.034	Active transport users	49,647	0.001
Vehicle operating & ownership costs	19,630,518	0.025	Passenger cars, autonomous – user	-6,273,495	-0.030
Parking space (& fares, fees)	-2,876,609	-0.004	Passenger cars, manual – user	-11,027,990	-0.026
Internal crash risk impact	92,925	0.000	Public transport – user	-	-
External crash risk impact	78,534	0.000	Public transport – provider	2,015,699	0.106
External delay impact	2,357,083	0.003	AUSS + ride-sharing users	-	-
Emissions, NO <sub>x</sub> & PM <sub>10</sub>	750,398	0.001	AUSS + ride-sharing providers	-	-
Emissions, CO <sub>2</sub>	5,133,985	0.007	SUC freight providers	-	-
Policy implementation	-43,844	-0.000	Non-SUC freight providers	7,483,519	0.093
<b>Overall result, NPV, EUR2020/year</b>	<b>-915,278</b>	<b>-0.001</b>	External costs	8,320,001	0.011
			Policy entity	-1,482,659	-0.002
			<b>Overall result, NPV, EUR2020/year</b>	<b>-915,278</b>	<b>-0.001</b>



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