





Concept Study on Traffic Management Systems based on Mobile Communication Networks:

Centralized traffic management and virtual traffic signs

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Outline

- Deficiencies of Existing Traffic Concepts
- Shortcomings and Disadvantages of today's situation
- Proposed Solution: A new traffic paradigm
 - Vision
 - System design
 - Advantages and value proposition
 - Business Case
 - Timeline
 - Feasibility
- Conclusion: Positive business case for relevant problem





Situation today: Existing traffic concepts show deficiencies











Overload

Complexity

Stress

Traffic Management Problem awareness





Today's traffic signs and traffic management can be optimized

Image Sources: c't, Mobinet





Shortcomings of current Traffic Management

- Deficiencies and inconvenience for the driver
- Increasing need for dynamic traffic management due to increasing traffic
- High cost for existing traffic signs and dynamic traffic management installations
- Economic loss due to traffic inefficiency
- Advanced 3rd party traffic services complex to setup and still in their infancy

Need for disruptive solution





Vision: Virtualization of traffic signs and dynamic traffic management

Virtual Traffic Signs

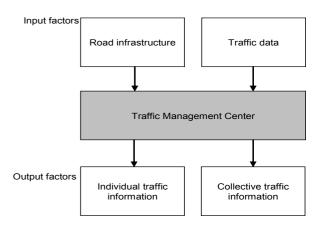
- Replacement of conventional traffic signs by a display in the car
- Provision via wireless communication system

Centralized Traffic Management

- End to end mobile solution with centralized traffic management system
- Cooperation of public authorities, the legislator, car manufacturers, wireless infrastructure providers, carriers and device manufacturers
- Large economic benefits and cost savings for the public and value added for the driver
- Introduction in several steps over a timeframe of 15 years.
- Positive business case



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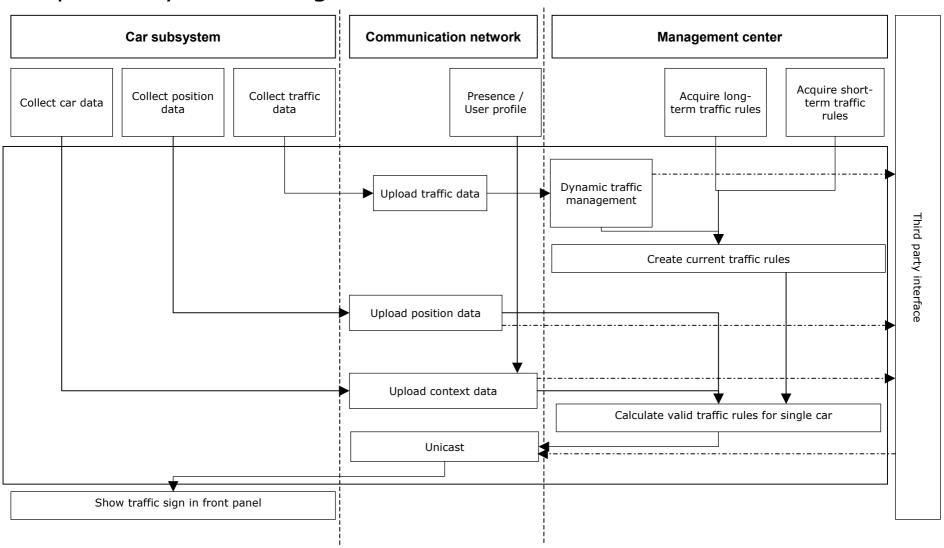
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New paradigm for traffic control





Proposed System Design





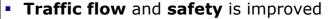


Advantages of the system lead to value added to the driver

Direct advantages for the driver

Advantages through TM

- Information can be targeted efficiently to the driver
- Information can be brought to the driver with high usability



Environmental and noise pollution are reduced

- More convenience for the driver
- Higher efficiency in information absorption
- Less stress
- Less accidents

- Higher traffic speed
- Less stress







Advantages of the system lead to benefits for the public

Indirect economic benefits

Direct cost savings

- Less traffic congestions and environmental pollution due to better and cheaper traffic management
- Less accidents due to more convenience for the driver
- Traffic signs become **obsolete** (no cost for maintenance, grounding, signs)
- Improved workflow between authorities

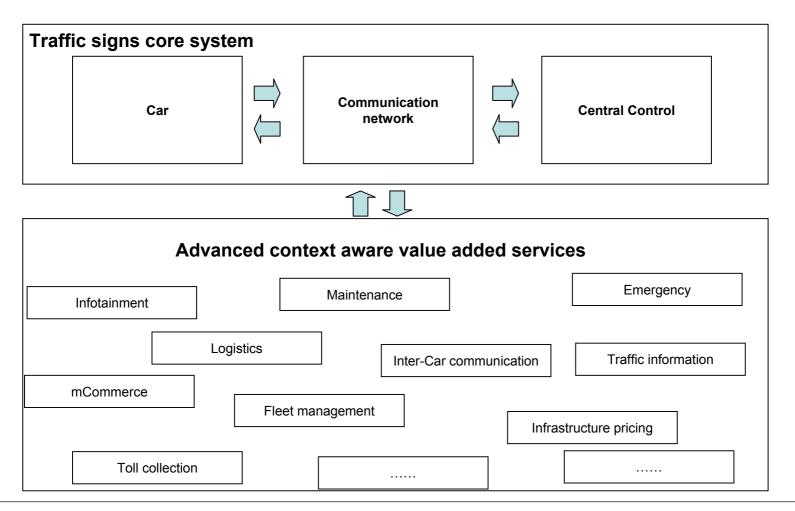
 Reduced economic loss due to traffic congestions, environmental pollution and less accidents Cost savings due to obsolete signs and improved workflows







System can be a core for traffic oriented services & applications

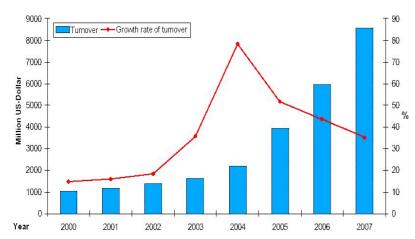


System may become a basis for advanced telematic services

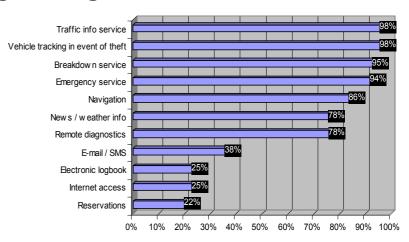




Market for telematic applications is growing



Source: Frost & Sullivan. The European Automotive Telematics Market for Hardware and Services 2001



Source: EBT Drive Study – Consumer Clinic with GM employees in UK & Germany

Penetration	Status 2002	Scenario 2010
Telematics enabled cars	2,5 Mio. vehicles	100 Mio. vehicles
Mobile	950 Mio. subscribers	2.5 Bio. subscribers
Internet	530 Mio. users	1.8 Bio. users

Source: Telematics Research Group. Worldwide Telematics, Regional

Markets and Forecast. 2002

Market supports advanced telematic solutions





Value proposition and business case

- Economic benefits due to shorter time needed to travel, less accidents and pollution
- Convenience for the driver as value added
 - Cost for in-car hardware transferred to car buyers
- Cost savings due to obsolete signs
 - dramatic reduction of investments in traffic signs
 - dramatic reduction of efforts for maintenance of traffic signs
- Access to system can be sold to third party providers
 - Fleet management services
 - Location based services
 - Infotainment & Entertainment
- Possibility to support infrastructure pricing



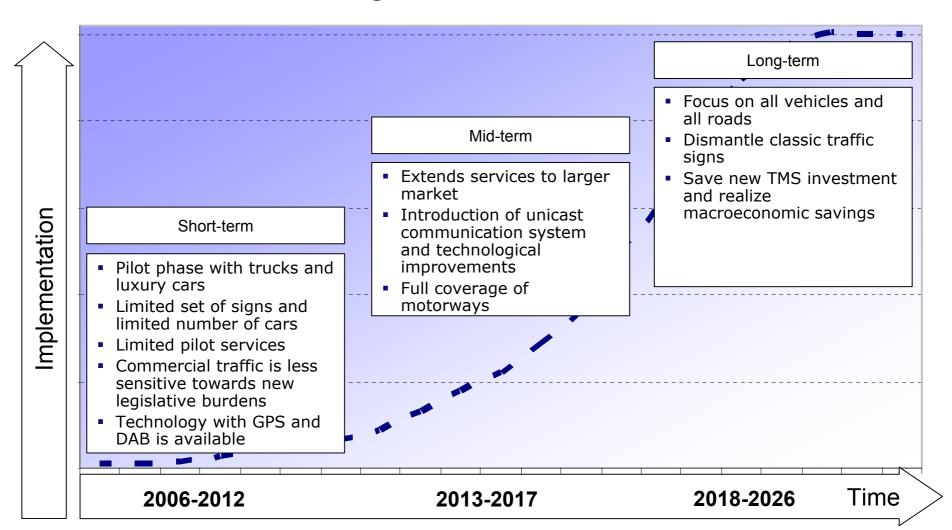


Positive business case of 1 Bil. € NPV





Introduction in several stages

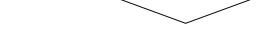






High requirements

- Reliability: Devices, communication channels, positioning service and system architecture have to be highly reliable
- Security: Access to the system must be limited and malicious changes have to be prevented
- Safety: Fallback mechanisms and consistency checks enforce maximum safety for the driver
- Accuracy: Positioning and traffic rules must represented actual situation of car
- **Privacy**: Personal information of drivers has to be protected





- Industry faces this challenges for all car IT
- Next generation communication networks (UMTS and beyond 3G) and positioning technologies (Galileo and beyond) offer needed functionalities
- Adaptation of laws possible to provide safe framework





Solution is technologically feasible





Conclusion

- Virtual traffic signs and centralized traffic management
 - ... promise vast benefits
 - ... address the needs of an mobile society
 - ... are technologically feasible
 - ... allow a successful business case





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