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ERTICO-ITS Europe welcomes the newly adopted ITS European Directive

24 October, Brussels. ERTICO-ITS Europe welcomes the revised Intelligent Transport Systems (ITS) Directive adopted by the Council of Ministers of the EU after the agreement with the European Parliament on Monday, 23 October 2023. The revised Directive is a very important piece of legislation for the ITS community. It confirms the significant role of technology and the data economy in advancing the mobility and transport sectors. It also reaffirms its role as the European legislative backbone of various national, regional and local mobility initiatives where technology and data sharing are the key components.

We are pleased to read that the technological developments, including Connected, Cooperative and Automated Mobility (CCAM), Mobility-as-a-Service (MaaS) and multimodality are recognised in a technologically neutral way. The co-legislators confirm the drive for more data availability and interoperability for diverse mobility services such are multimodal journey planners and navigation services.

The revised regulatory framework, dated from 2010, serves as a stepping-stone towards the establishment of the common European Mobility Data Space, a transformative development for the broader mobility landscape. It extends the scope of previous rules and covers emerging solutions and services including multimodal information, booking and ticketing services, applications facilitating the booking of journeys, combining public transport with car - and bike-sharing services, as well as communication between vehicles and infrastructure (V2I/V2X) and automated mobility. The need for digitisation of crucial information, including speed limits, roadworks, and multimodal access nodes, alongside the provision of delivering essential services, including road safety information, will result in broader coverage of real-time data and more precise intelligent speed assistance systems for transport users.

The new law retains the framework character of the previous ITS Directive and the various technical interventions by way of implementing and delegated acts. It contains an implementation programme covering at least the next five years, and a precise geographical scope of road network for which reusable data must be available as a baseline requirement. By way of delegated acts, the Commission may further complement certain aspects of this implementation programme as it has done with the 2010 version of this framework Directive. The Directive specifies the essential types of data, including access conditions for tunnels and bridges, speed limits, traffic circulation plans, permanent access restrictions, road closures, roadworks, temporary traffic management measures, and critical services such as road safety-related traffic information services, to be made available across the Union, as outlined in the annexes.

Our ITS community now looks forward to the publication of the text in the coming weeks and remains available to assist the Member States in their implementation of the rules into national law within the next 2 years. ERTICO is the unique European public-private partnership at the heart of this ITS package for delivering solution and services through various activities such as EU-funded innovation and deployment projects, advocacy and thought leadership, as well as ITS congresses and events, teaming up with the network of ITS national organisations. ERTICO is also incubator for innovation and technology progress through innovation platforms such as TM 2.0, focusing on interactive and enhanced traffic management, data sharing and real-time traffic information, including the RTTI Delegated Regulation and TN-ITS on map data and cooperation between map makers, road authorities and public authorities, and the Data for Road Safety (DFRS) platform on data sharing of safety-related traffic information. ERTICO also continues dynamic cooperation with the MaaS Alliance and TISA. As part of preparing and deploying the European Mobility Data Space, we contribute to European co-funded partnership projects, including PrepDSpace4Mobility, and the newly launched project, deployEMDS. Our dynamic involvement in NAPCORE is also prominent through TN-ITS and TM 2.0 workshops series co-organised with the Dutch Ministry (NDW) and Service Providers.

About ERTICO – ITS Europe: Founded in 1991, ERTICO is a public-private partnership organisation with over 120 members to date, connecting eight sectors across the ITS industry and the smart mobility community. ERTICO embodies thought leadership and stakeholder engagement through developing and promoting innovation and deploying smart mobility solutions. This includes European co-funded partnership projects, innovation platforms, mobility data spaces and international cooperation advocacy.

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