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Transversal Session 1 - Synergies between funding instruments in transport infrastructure: from Research towards Deployment

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05/2011-10/2014: Policy officer in the field of Trans-European Transport Networks (TEN-T), DG MOVE
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Christian Faure

Christian Faure is Head of Unit in CINEA, the European Climate, Infrastructure and Environment Executive Agency. His Unit is in charge of implementing the Connecting Europe Facility – a key EU funding instrument for transport infrastructure- in several Member States. His unit is also in charge of a number of horizontal priorities such as ITS.

Christian Faure is graduated from the French engineering school Ecole des Mines de Paris and obtained a master degree in Business Administration in the Spanish distant university (UNED).

He began his career in the French railways (SNCF) before joining the European Commission Directorate General for environment in 2000.

He became responsible for the European Rail Traffic Management System (ERTMS) program in 2005 in the Directorate General for environment.

After that, he was appointed deputy Head of Unit in the Directorate General in charge of maritime affairs and fisheries where he was leading the team implementing the European Maritime and Fisheries Funds in Western and South Europe. He is Head of Unit in the Executive Agency since 2015.



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Niklas is responsible for the Volvo Group's larger collaborative projects in sustainable transport solutions, community contacts and new innovation systems both internally Volvo and in the surrounding ecosystem of start-ups, universities, community actors and well-established companies within and outside the transport industry. Niklas is head of Public Policy and Regulatory Affairs.

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Senior Vice President Public and Environmental Affairs, Volvo Group, 2008-2013

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Chief Sustainability Officer, Corporate Sustainability & Public Affairs Volvo Group 2015-2017

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Susanne Schulz

Since the launch of Autobahn GmbH in the beginning of 2021, Susanne Schulz has been head of Cooperative, Connected and Automated Mobility within the department traffic management and is responsible for the development, deployment and operation of C-ITS services, including standardisation and European harmonisation for all German motorways. The area of responsibility also includes the development of an approval procedure for operational areas of automated vehicles regarding the German autonomous driving act. In addition, she oversees the elisa research project, an overhead catenary system for trucks on the motorway (eHighway) to reduce emissions in the area of heavy goods traffic.

Her experience is based on her work as a research and project engineer for road maintenance and road safety at Karlsruhe Institute of Technology (2007-2014). In 2015 she joined Hessen Mobil Strassen- und Verkehrsmanagement (2015 – 2020) and took over the aFAS project (automated driverless safeguarding vehicle for short term road works on motorways). Further national and international projects followed in the areas of C-ITS (e.g. C-ITS Corridor, C-Roads), automated driving and ITS architecture. In June 2019, she took over as head of Cooperative, Connected and Automated Mobility within the Intelligent Transport Systems department, supervising and coordinating Hessen Mobil's research and development activities.

