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"Driving Europe's Future of Smart Mobility"

Welcome to SMARTAUTO!

The SMARTAUTO project aims to bridge the gap between European regions in terms of the development and use of autonomous vehicles.

Check out the project video!



GOALS

SMARTAUTO helps regions harness the benefits of automated transport, improving mobility, sustainability and safety for all.

HOW TO REACH?

- Connecting partners
- Share best practice
- Transfer knowledge
- Promote innovation

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SMARTAUTO partners have wrapped up an active Semester

It has been a busy period for SMARTAUTO. Several professional events were held, helping the project to reach its next milestone. During this time, two Staff Exchange events took place, as did the third Interregional Policy Learning Event. Additionally, partners were able to participate in several regional meetings and organise events for their professional contacts.



First Staff Exchange in Shannon

The first Staff Exchange event took place on 8–9 July in Shannon, Ireland, organised by Future Mobility Campus Ireland. The venue was ideal for hands-on learning and knowledge sharing, and also offered a valuable opportunity to trial local solutions.

The first day was dedicated to practical solutions. On the second day, FMCI gave its SMARTAUTO international consortium partners the chance to share insights from their own regions. Overall, SMARTAUTO partners were able to participate in a useful, practical programme that provided an opportunity for collaborative learning.



Second Staff Exchange in Aveiro

The second SMARTAUTO Staff Exchange programme took place in Aveiro, Portugal. Four project partners were represented at the event.

The event connected the University of Aveiro's research on automated and connected mobility with practical regional challenges and transferable solutions. It brought together the SMARTAUTO partners and a multidisciplinary group of regional stakeholders and researchers. The exchange benefited from the diversity of participants, who came from backgrounds in transport consultancy, engineering, geography/GIS, informatics, AI, architecture, management, and public administration.



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3rd IPLE in Tuzla, Bosnia and Herzegovina



The third Interregional Policy Learning Event of the SMARTAUTO project took place in Tuzla, Bosnia and Herzegovina, on 13–14 October 2026. Hosted by the City of Tuzla and the BIT Center, the event brought together European partners to explore automated mobility, regional policy improvements and smart transit solutions. Key highlights included sessions on AV readiness and interactive workshops on pilot actions, as well as a site visit to Solana Tuzla.



On the first day, participants attended presentations on the challenges and future of urban mobility, emphasising the potential of voice assistants and shared automated mobility to alleviate urban congestion. During the afternoon interactive workshop, project partners examined potential pilot actions and good practices to support regional policy improvements.



The second day focused on collaboration between academia and the business sector, as well as practical knowledge sharing. Researchers from the Faculty of Electrical Engineering at the University of Tuzla, alongside local automotive engineering companies, presented their latest achievements in autonomous systems. This was followed by a site visit to Solana Tuzla, where local innovative solutions were showcased firsthand.

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Regional stakeholder meetings overview - Semester 3

The Regional Stakeholder Meetings offer partners and stakeholders a valuable opportunity to explore important issues related to the development of automated mobility and smart urban systems.
Participants can analyse smart mobility solutions, with a particular focus on the opportunities and challenges associated with the automation of transport.
During the meetings, stakeholders can share their vision for the future of automated driving and discuss the solutions required for its effective implementation.

Working Together for Smarter Mobility

25.06.2026 - RSGM - Magdeburg, Germany
20.10.2026 - RSGM - Italy
28.10.2026 - RSGM - Bucharest, Romania






Discover more about SMARTAUTO!

How to connect regions to accelerate innovation in autonomous transport.

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https://www.interregeurope.eu/smartauto

First Project Video

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