## 49th ASECAP DAYS

Decarbonizing Road Infrastructure: Challenges,

Perspectives and Actions in Tough Economy





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## HOW TECHNOLOGY CAN REDUCE ENERGY CONSUMPTION ON MOTORWAYS

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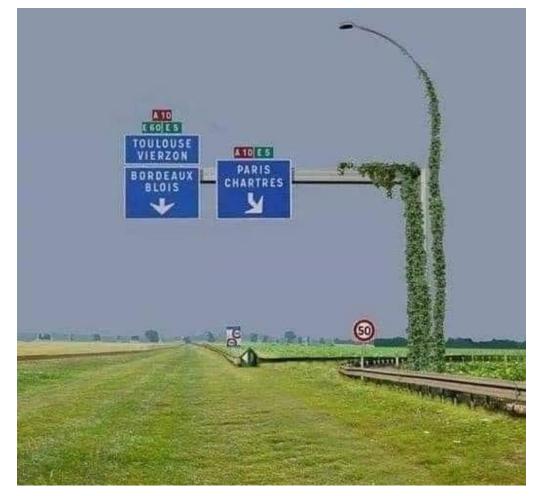


## "The best energy is the one we do not

consume"

... Is this compatible with our industry?

... Will our future motorways look like this?

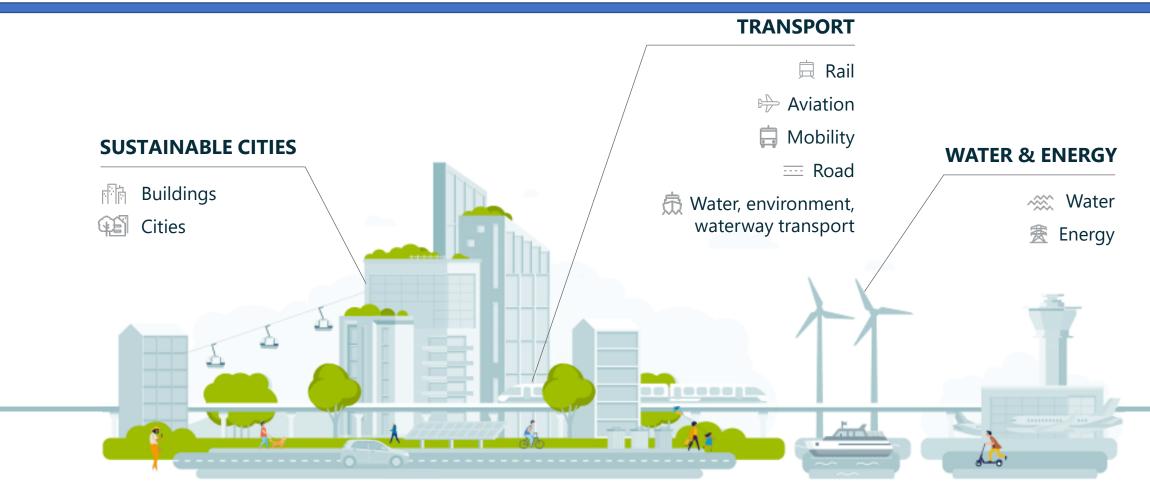




#### **OUR ACTIVITIES**







#### FIELDS OF ACTIVITY UNDERPINNED BY CROSS-GROUP AREAS OF EXPERTISE

Environment • Mobility and Systems • Geotechnical & Complex Structures • Digital



# CLIMATE EMERGENCY, OUR ABSOLUTE PRIORITY

O A wide range of engineering services and operational solutions

to fight against climate change and biodiversity erosion

O The use of low-carbon alternatives with equivalent timeframes and costs

on operations and projects entrusted to us

→ During the Covid-19 crisis, Egis drew up 21 proposals for a low carbon economic recovery

#### **OUR ROAD NETWORK**





contracts covering a wide range of activities



28

operating subsidiaries in different countries

**4,500** km used daily

by **2 600 000** vehicles and **92 km** of tunnels





#### CO2 ROADMAP





#### **Our commitment:**

SBTi Scope 1 & 2 : -30% emission in 2030, net zero carbon in 2050 SBTi Scope 3 : be a facilitator to road transportation decarbonization

- Since 2018, Egis calculates, analyzes and reduces the CO2 footprint of its O&M companies
- Trends are analyzed which enables optimizations and reduction of CO2 emissions.



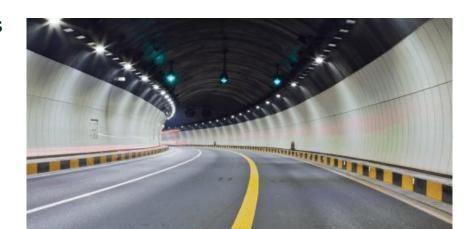


#### **OUR APPROACH**





- 1 4 PILLARS: how can we reduce the CO2 emissions of:
  - The Operator
  - Our client the Concessionaire
  - The customers of the motorway
  - + we work on the **resilience of the infrastructure**
- PRIORITY STEPS TO ACHIEVE NET ZERO CARBON
  - Avoid
  - Save
  - Reduce carbon content of energy
  - Remove residual carbon emissions
- 3 LEVERAGING
  - State of the art
  - Technology
  - Cross-Industry insights





#### **ACTIONS ONGOING AND PLANNED**





- Retrofitting lighting with LED (savings up to 60%)
- Installing PV (total capacity of MWp 1,2 4 projects)
- Purchase green electricity
- Increasing use of e-vehicles
- Thermal-isolation of office and technical buildings
- Purchasing policy with ESG criteria
- Asset management expertise to optimize works lifecycle
- Re-forestation project

Energy intensity (MWh/km) Average YoY reduction 2018-2021

- 9% p.a.

**CO<sub>2</sub> intensity** (CO<sub>2</sub> T/km) Average YoY reduction 2018-2021

- 19% p.a.









# "Digital technologies could reduce emissions by 20% by 2050"

Davos World Economic Forum

#### Goals:

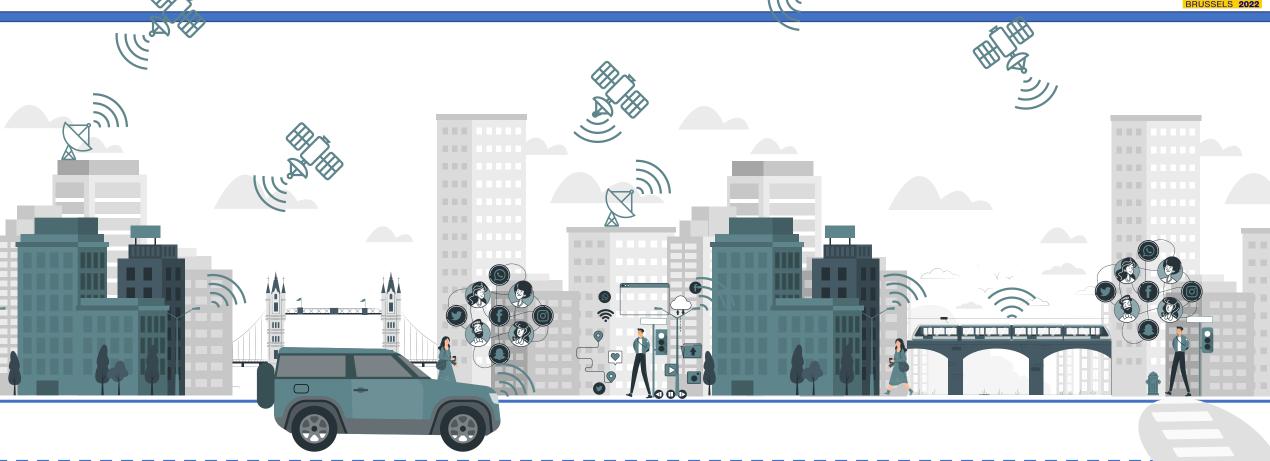
- ✓ Leverage technologies
- ✓ Test all relevant innovations
- ✓ Support innovative eco-systems

#### **Highway & Data**









#### MANY **DIFFERENT DATA SOURCES** COULD BE LEVERAGED IN ADDITION TO OURS







**Satellite databases** 

Bought or found at a lower resolution for free

See for example: <u>Imagery Data</u> <u>Sources - GIS Geography</u>



**Open-source data** 

Legal database, weather data, some geological surveys, materials references, etc.

See for example: <u>Listing of Open</u> Access Databases - LOADB



**Purchasable databases** 

Weather data, competitors' roads utilization, social media data, etc.

See for example: <u>Online Purchase</u> <u>Data: APIs 2022 | Datarade</u>



**Data from partnerships** 

From potential partners: academic, client, contractor, etc.

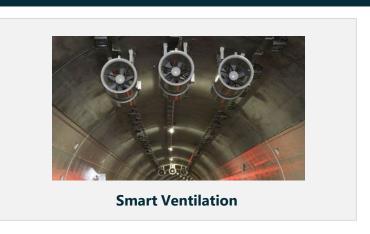
#### **VARIOUS APPLICATIONS**





#### **Data collection & use cases**







#### Leveraging additional data sources







**Drone Patrolling** 







#### **Project description**

Beginning: Q3 2022

**Location :** A63, France

**Innovation:** IOT sensors **to track assets conditions** (safety gates, guard rails, traffic management, water consumption, etc.) or vehicles (diesel consumption, idle time, patrol time) in real time & generate alerts.

**TRL:** 7, system qualified.

#### **Potential gains**



Lower cost and CO2 reduction as fewer patrols



Increase safety of staff; early notifications for enhanced service











#### **Project description**

**Beginning:** 2020 (first POC), 2022 (cross-fertilization & expansion

of use cases)

**Location :** A24 Portugal, GIIB Turkey

**Innovation:** monitoring of embankments, vegetation, pavement and structures, guard rails, road markings with **satellite radar imagery.** Cumulative displacements and future/retrospective time analysis.

**TRL:** 7, system qualified.

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#### **Highway & Technologies**

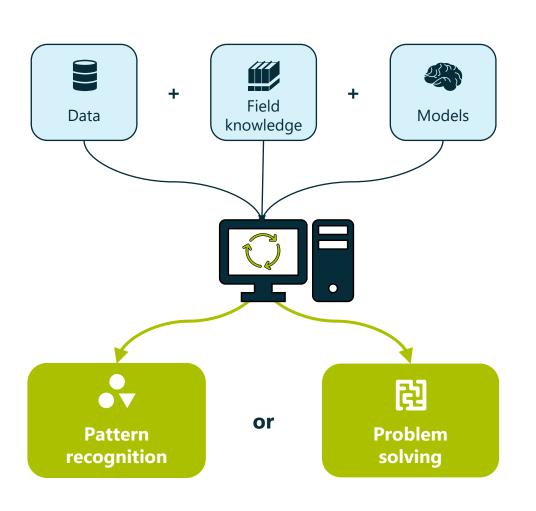












The evolution and spread of IA



93.5 Billion dollars of private investment in AI in 2021



playing Nim game (1940)

more affordable thanks to new technological tools and a broader diffusion



more efficient thanks to more data collected and new technological tools

### ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE SHOWS POTENTIAL WITHIN THE WHOLE SCOPE OF HIGHWAY INDUSTRY





#### Al in the design and construction phases

# Find the best route under a set of specific constraints



#### Al for operations and maintenances



**Patrol optimization** 



**Smart Inspections with Computer Vision** 







#### PATROLLING: URGENT TASK TO OPTIMIZE AIMING FOR DECARBONISATION





#### **Project description**

**Beginning**: Q3 2022. Early results already available.

**Location :** A63, France

Innovation: optimization of patrol routes and planning,

used already in the logistics sector for delivery purposes.

**TRL:** 7, system qualified.

#### **Potential gains**



**Estimated 15% reduction** in patrolled kilometres.





Direct reduction of a very carbon intensive activity



#### PREDICTIVE MAINTENANCE





#### **Project description**

**Beginning:** Q3 2022 for data assessment & development

**Location :** Ireland, Australia, Turkey

Innovation: combining machine learning, data and

operational expertise = maintenance optimization,

prevent corrective maintenance, increased lifetime.

**TRL:** 7, system qualified.

#### **Potential gains**



-30%
maintenance
costs: better ROI
by reducing repair
and maintenance
costs



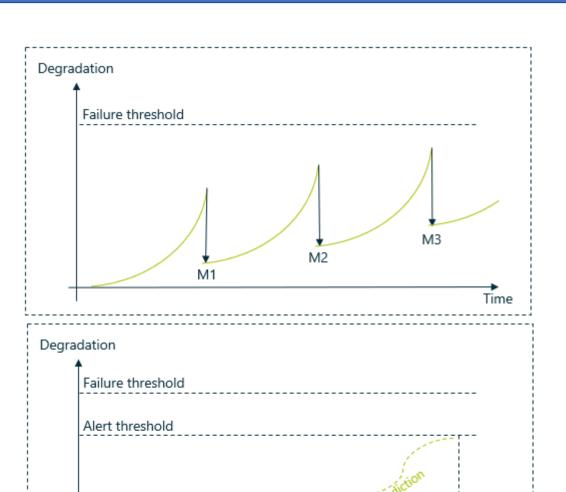
-45% reduced downtime: minimized production lost because of technical failures



Reduced failures leading to safety issues



Saved resources and reduced environmental impact



Remaining lifetime



# THANK YOU FOR YOUR ATTENTION

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