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Digital transformation on road infrastructure

# The "Golden Fleece"

for the new Mobility Era

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In recent years we have experienced significant changes in the field of mobility due to:

- growing number of people moving,
- urbanization growth & longer commuter trips
- need for individual and personalized mobility,
- social, ecological and environmental issues and awareness





#### An "Era" that has mobilized so many industries & organizations:





IT & ITS



#### **Motorway Operations**



#### Mass Transportation



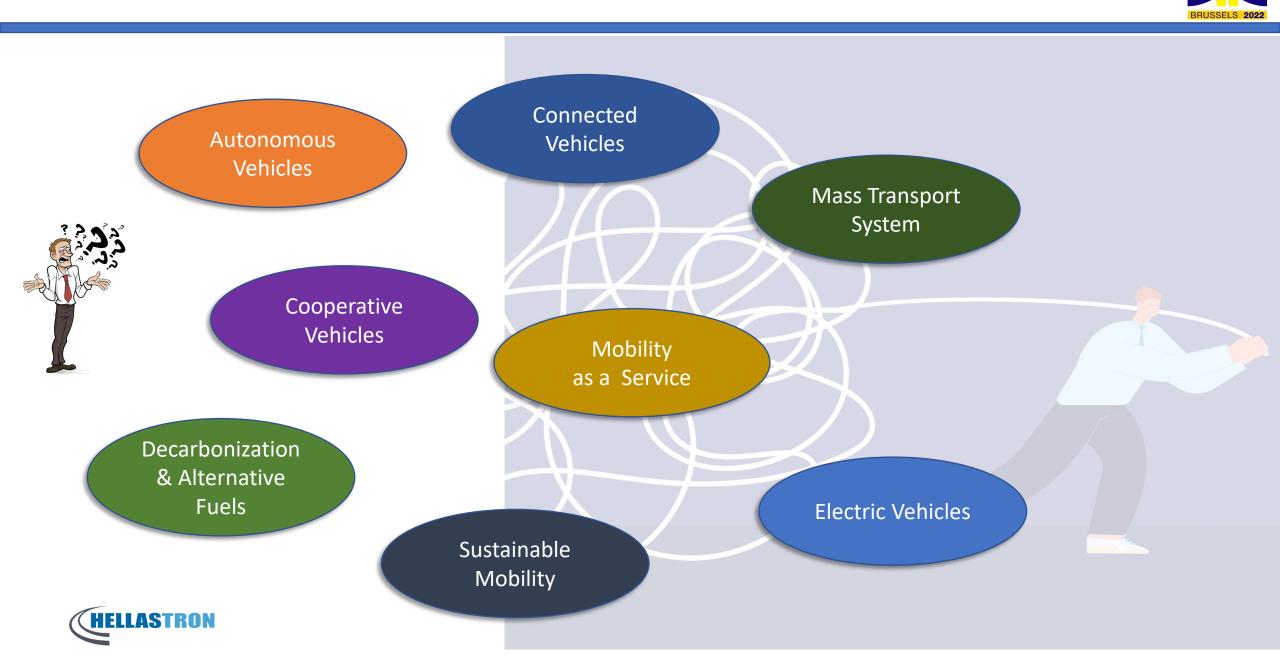


#### **Content Providers**





#### An "Era" that has not yet been clearly defined...



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#### An Era that has been in the "Storm Phase"





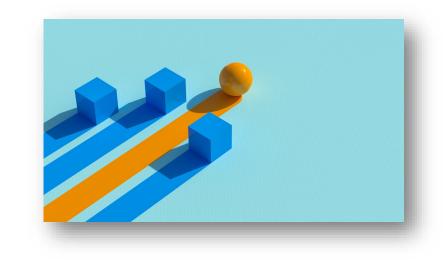
Where: each stakeholder moves on with its own strategy, at a different speed, and tries to impose itself and set the rules of the game !





Despite the rapid development of the automobile, telecom, ITS and content provider industries, motorway operators could be considered as the coach who combines the skills of his players and decides how to set up the team for the best possible result.

"Without players there is no team without the coach the team can not play (\*1)"



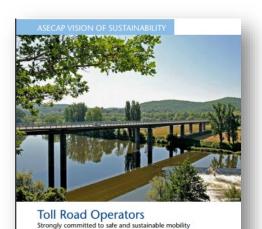


(\*1) Didier Deschamps French Football Coach, World Cup 2018



#### But in order to be the "coach", motorway operators should be

#### able to:



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- have an integrated and well-defined strategy,
- develop and provide the demanded infrastructure,
- complete the required digital transformation,
- comply with the European and motorway's industry vision for sustainability,
- change the way of thinking and operational philosophy.



#### The strategy for the New Mobility era:

- the industry must move rapidly through its associations to
- develop a comprehensive strategic plan, for all the issues
- posed by the new mobility era, so that any future action will
- be a coordinated steppingstone to ensure the required role.



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The role of Motorway operators in the new era-Funding resources



# Who and why should fund or co-fund the demanded Motorway Infrastructure?

- The State (to improve the safety, mobility and the environment) by extending the concession period?
- > The Motorway industry (to decrease the operating expenses)?
- > The Automobile industry (to sell the new generation of vehicles)?
- > The Telecom industry (to sell more xG services)?
- > The Content providers ( to sell "content" to users)?
- The Users (to travel quickly, safely and protect the environment)?
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The role of Motorway operators in the new era-Digital transformation



#### **Digital transformation:**

- Modernizing the existing and introduce new IT infrastructure,
- Digitizing and reorganizing existing operations properly,
- Digital Customer Support & Marketing,
- New Ventures, new business models.





#### Change the way of thinking and operational philosophy:

- A new win-win approach is required since Motorway Operators will be soon one of the links of the chain, and not the full chain.
- Time is precious and even though, this issue has been under consideration for the last few years, most of the operators worldwide are still thinking how to "Setup the Team", while many players want to join, and others are thinking of leaving.









- Additional revenue from Value Added Services like traffic information provision, park & ride or parking services, MAsS services, EV Charging, exploitation of renewable energy resources, etc.
- Exploitation of the existing database of registered Subscribers.
- Increase the frequency of use via a dynamic policy based on the time and distance of the trip, and possible decrease of the total cost of the trip (Toll fee plus parking fee).





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The attempt of the other stakeholders to access and exploit the data collected by the operation of the Motorways is reminiscent of Jason and the "Golden Fleece", a myth from ancient Greece associated with the Greeks' quest to learn the secrets of gold mining from the area of ancient Colchis.



Jason takes the Golden Fleece, representation of a marble sarcophagus, second half of the 2nd century BC,





#### The role of Motorway operators in the new era.





#### Now is the time for the Motorways Industry to define a clear approach for this new era...





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# THANK YOU FOR YOUR ATTENTION

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