

# TEN-T Days 2011

29 November 2011, 14:30-16:00h

Alpaerts Hall

## WORKSHOP 4: Innovation and new technologies

### for TEN-T (including SESAR)

SESAR addresses air traffic management and is a success story for Europe and the European Commission. The general innovation and new technology (NT) topic, with its much wider scope, however, was introduced to TEN-T in a public meeting for the first time with a dedicated workshop at the TEN-T Days in 2008 (Workshop 9).

Since 2008, innovation and NT for TEN-T has grown via the TEN-T Green Paper, the TEN-T Review (Expert Group 3), the White Paper on Transport and the TEN-T Annual Call 2010 to finally becoming a main-stream topic of transport infrastructure policy. In particular, the Commission's proposals for the new TEN-T Guidelines and the CEF in October 2011 fully integrate innovation and NT into the trans-European network for all modes of transport.

This workshop's objective is to set the scene for the next, and probably most important, step: Making timely and effective use of these new opportunities in transport infrastructure funding and EU-wide political support.

In order to take maximum advantage of the current legislative momentum, a special effort should be made by all participants of the workshop to answer the following two questions:

- (1) What are the innovative solutions ready for deployment today, and in the immediate future; and
- (2) Are there already realistic elements for a long term vision, i.e. the time horizon of the TEN-T Guidelines (mainly 2030, but also 2050);

which are in need and are deserving of this level of support and visibility!

Therefore the innovative minds from public & commercial entities and institutions are invited to present and discuss their solutions & visions for *the future of transport*, with emphasis on innovation and NT for infrastructure in all modes of transport. - In fact, with an invited speech on an innovative TEN-T pilot project the future has already begun.

– An opportunity for technology leaders, investors and policy makers not to be missed.