



**European Transport
Conference**
18 – 20 September 2024
Antwerpen, Belgium



CALL FOR PAPERS
Deadline 9 February 2024

Transport Economics, Finance and Appraisal Topics

Our use of transport has changed dramatically over the last few years. We have seen the impacts of climate change on transport and wider society but also the popular and hence political push back against measures that impact or are perceived to impact on personal mobility. This gives rise to far reaching implications in terms of how we appraise proposed investments and policies to take account of equity and maintain mobility for all sectors of society. Diversity of thought and experiences is hence more critical than ever and the Transport Economics, Finance and Appraisal Committee invites papers from people at all stages in their careers on any relevant topic. However, we particularly welcome papers that:

- Provide pan-European comparisons of appraisal techniques and financing options
- Report post hoc evaluations of transport policies or investments
- Consider how cross-border investments are appraised especially their geopolitical impacts
- Provide examples of how AI has been used in economic appraisals
- Addresses the role that economics can play in better informing decision makers and the public of the trade-offs we face with regard to mobility and sustainability

As well as papers that consider:

- The role the private sector can play in funding transport investment and operations and lessons that have been learnt from previous private sector investments
- Whether we should weight the distributional impacts of transport schemes to ensure more equitable outcomes
- Whether changes in transport use provides new evidence via revealed preference on the value that people put on different elements of their journey
- National or regional values of times – what is the case for each approach
- How the cost of transport should be shared between taxpayers, users and beneficiaries
- How resilience should be appraised given the impacts of climate change
- What has happened to agglomeration given increasing working from home and whether there is any evidence that transport schemes have actually delivered projected agglomeration benefits?
- Internalisation of external costs of transport – what has been the progress to date
- How we should monetise environmental benefits/disbenefits

Important notice

If you submit an abstract, this will go through a selection process. Each year we receive more abstracts than can be accommodated in the programme. If your abstract is selected, please be aware that others have been rejected, that the ETC organisation has invested time in devising an attractive and coherent programme and that delegates have used this programme to decide to come to the conference.

Before submitting your abstract, please make sure there is time and funding to have at least one of the authors attending the conference to present the paper and that you have/will obtain the approval needed (from management or client) to present the work in public at the time of the conference. The conference organisers will require your commitment by the time of the abstract's acceptance.