



**European Transport Conference  
9 – 11 October 2019  
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**Transport Economics, Finance and Appraisal**

The Transport Economics, Finance and Appraisal Programme Committee covers the range of issues raised in the appraisal and funding/finance of transport schemes and policies, including:

- (a) appraisal methods themselves (e.g. the role and scope of cost-benefit analysis);
- (b) the additional analysis and modelling, beyond conventional transport modelling, needed to support appraisal (eg modelling of economic and land-use impacts);
- (c) the valuation of impacts (e.g. the values to be put on time savings, reductions in environmental damage, prevention of accidents, etc);
- (d) the funding and finance of transport investments and other expenditures.

For ETC 2019 the Committee welcomes abstracts in any of these areas, but particularly on the following subjects:

- Finance and funding: Public/Private Partnerships and Private Finance Initiatives - completed projects and the implications for new ones
- New technologies (including new fuels or alternatives; connected and autonomous vehicles):
  - economic factors affecting the take-up of new possibilities
  - business models for the adoption of new technologies
- Network maintenance; consequences of and responses to ageing infrastructure
- Appraisal and analysis using multiple scenarios
- Option values in appraisal
- Value capture: the futures of road user charging and land value capture
- The mobility of lower-income households and the potential regressive effects of fuel taxes and other charges

*Climate change is an issue for all ETC Programme Committees: TEFA welcomes abstracts relating to the consequences of climate change for transport economics (e.g. the impact of more extreme weather on vulnerable infrastructure) and of measures to limit climate change.*

For ETC 2019 the Programme Committees are considering the possibility of poster sessions as an alternative to conventional presentations. These may be particularly suitable for material which may be difficult to convey in giving a regular presentation (e.g. systems of equations or detailed tables of results), or where the author(s) would value discussion with individuals or small groups rather than the usual questions following a presentation. Authors will be asked to indicate their preference for poster or presentation session when submitting their abstract.

**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 a attractive and coherent programme and that delegates have used this programme to decide to come to the conference.



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Before submitting your abstract, please make sure there is time and funding to have at least one of the authors come to 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.

We do understand that sometimes circumstances change, forcing authors to withdraw. You would help us by informing us as soon as possible, preferable ample time before the conference. Last minute withdrawals or no-shows negatively affect the conference experience of your fellow transport professionals.

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