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### WELCOME

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Dear Members and Friends of ESPORG,

Welcome to the February edition of INTRANSIT!

In this month's edition, we will highlight the candidates who applied for the ESPORG Excellence in Truck Parking Award. We want to thank them as well as the jury members who deliberated on the various candidate files. We are very much looking forward to announcing the winner of the award in March.

We are so proud of our ESPORG members, old and new, and will give you an update about the ongoing CEF project of member Europarking Secure Parking in Romania and briefly introduce our new associated member Urbasolar.

Through recent media articles, it is obvious that cargo theft continues to plague the logistics industry. We would like to stress how imperative it is for our members to certify their safe and secure parking areas according to the EU-Parking Standard and provide safe havens for drivers to rest and recuperate without worrying about their cargo.

Finally, we would like to warmly welcome our new members CFL Multimodal in Luxemburg, Le Miroir and TWV Park in France and Hauptstein in Germany. We look forward to making the logistics industry safer and more secure with you!

Best wishes.

Dirk Penasse



## EUROPARKING SECURE PARKING - ON THE ROAD OPENING BEGINNING OF 2023

Europarking Secure Parking is moving fast and successfully on its project in Ploiesti. The new parking area with a projected number of 70 truck parking places is on track to open in the first quarter of 2023.

The groundworks are about to be finished and next on the list is the laying of the concrete, the finalization of the building for drivers, and the setup of the security infrastructure.

Thanks to its motivated team, managing director Irinel Cazacu is confident of timely completion and wants to attract customers already: "We are located strategically on the Rhine-Danube corridor in the Ploiesti area. From 2023 onwards we would like to welcome drivers and transport companies. Check out our site already and please contact us for additional information already. We will have a Gold-level parking area offering a high level of driver comfort as well as security, so we look forward to welcoming the first customers in less than a year from now".



#### ESPORG EXCELLENCE IN TRUCK PARKING AWARD WINNER TO BE ANNOUNCED ON MARCH 3RD

The ESPORG Excellence in Truck Parking Award aims to promote excellence and to help spread good practices in view of improving safety, security and quality of services offered by truck parking operators to professional truck drivers, and, by doing so, to enhance the attractiveness and appeal of the driver profession to an increasingly diverse and wider public, including young people and women.

Eligible candidates can be public and private truck parking operators, as well as road transport companies operating truck parking facilities from Europe, which have been audited and already satisfy one of the four levels of the EU-Parking Standard - Bronze, Silver, Gold, Platinum.

The jury received files from eight outstanding candidates, each one either already certified through the EU-Parking Standard or currently in the certification process. Though the winner will not be announced until March 3rd at the award ceremony, we would like to introduce each of these excellent candidates to you.



We look forward to announcing the winner and featuring the parking area in our next edition. Thank you again to all candidates for their applications! In addition, we would like to thank the jury members for their hard work and dedication to promoting excellence within the truck parking industry:

- Anna Kuzynin, Truckers Life Foundation
- Carlo Giro, International Road Transport Union (IRU)
- Constantino Canu, European Association for Forwarding, Transport, Logisitics, and Customs Services (CLECAT)
- Elene Shatberashvili, International Transport Form (ITF)
- Godfried Smit, European Shippers Council (ESC)
- Inès Maillart, DG MOVE of the European Commission
- Marc Van Grootel. TVM
- Marco Digioia, European Road Haulers Association (UETR)
- Mike Sturgean, Association of European Vehicle Logistics (ECG)
- Peter Paul Ruschin, DEKRA





















#### **Autoparco Brescia**

Location: Brescia, Italy

Highway: A4 Torino-Trieste

Certification level: In process, certified with previous system of 3 locks

Website: http://www.autoparcobrescia.it

Not only does Autoparco Brescia offer top level security and services, they are currently offering a promotion to drivers who cannot return home due to COVID for a discounted rate at the nearby hotel.



#### Bidegi

Location: Astigarraga and Oiartzun, Spain

Highway: E-70 AP8 / AP-1

Certification level: Gold

Website: https://www.bidegi.eus/en/

Both of these safe and secure parking areas were recently built with support from Connecting Europe Facility (CEF) funds and offer the top security and services for drivers passing through the border between Spain and France.



#### **CFL Multimodal**

Location: Bettembourg, Luxemburg

Highway:

Certification level: In process

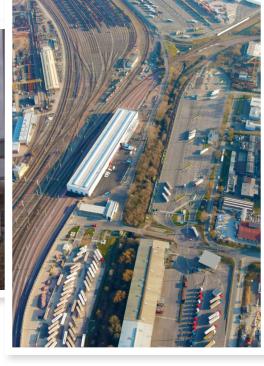
Website: https://www.cfl-sites.lu ; https://www.cfl-mm.lu/en-gb/solutions/infrastructure/cen-

tre-routier-securise

Evidenced by their name, this parking area offers safe and secure parking for a multimodal process: combined and conventional rail freight, wagon maintenance and repairs, customs clearance,

as well as forwarding and logistics services.





#### La Londonienne

Location: Marck, France

Highway: A16

Certification level: Gold

Website: https://www.lalondonienne.fr/?lang=en

For those passing by Calais, La Londienne is a sure stop. The safe and secure truck parking area offers high quality security and services. To see the full extent of their services, make sure to visit their website and take a virtual tour of the site.





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#### **OnTurtle**

Location: La Jonquera, Spain

Highway: AP-7/N-II

Certification level: Gold

Website: https://onturtle.eu/en/

OnTurtle has a vast network of secure parking areas and chose to highlight the specific location of their parking area at La Jonquera for the ESPORG Award. The gold-certified safe and secure parking area offers an exclusive micro-filtering plant and many services for a weary driver to rest and recuperate.



#### **Smart Autohof**

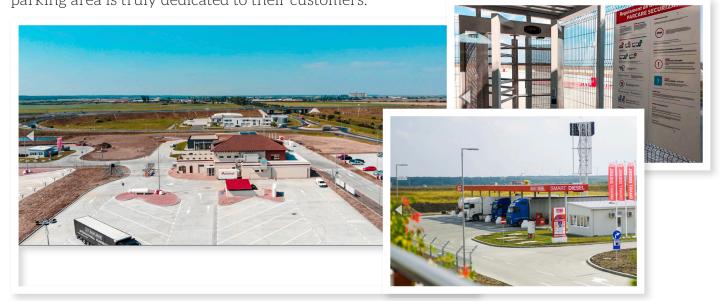
Location: Pecica, Romania

Highway: A1

Certification level: Gold

Website: http://www.smart-autohof.ro/

Smart Autohof was built a few years ago with support from Connecting Europe Facility (CEF) funds. Apart from their high level of security, services, and excellent food, this safe and secure parking area is truly dedicated to their customers.



#### **Tank & Rast**

Tank & Rast has a standard of high-quality services and security at each of their sites. For the ES-PORG Award, they decided to submit the following three parking areas as prime examples of their services:

#### Autohof Wörnitz

Location: Wörnitz, Germany

Highway: A7

Certification level: In process

Website: https://autohof-woernitz.de

#### Autohof Zeven

Location: Elsdorf, Germany

Highway: A1

Certification level: In process

Website: https://rosis-autohof.de

#### Autohof Pilsting

Location: Pilsting, Germany

Highway: A1

Certification level: In process

Website: https://rosis-autohof.de



#### **Truck Etape Béziers**

Location: Vendres, France

Highway: A9

Certification level: Gold

Website: https://www.trucketape-beziers.com

Truck Etape Béziers offers maximum comfort and security for its customers at its safe and secure truck parking area 24 hours a day, seven days a week. It also has bikes for rent so that drivers can move their legs a bit during their rest and visit the nearby area.



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The Urbasolar group is a key player in solar photovoltaic. With a developed expertise in the creation of parking canopies, Urbasolar is today one of the recognized leaders in the field. With installations of every capacity, the group can accompagny the transformation of secure truck parking areas to create electricity producing units.

The variety of solutions that we offer can create any configuration to suit any layout (electric vehicle recharching stations, night lighting, etc.).

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#### ESPORG NEWS

#### Cargo Theft Remains an Issue, Signifying Need for SSTPAs

This week alone two separate media sources have stressed the issue of cargo theft:

The podcast by Deutschlandfunk (in German) highlights the topicality of safe and secure parking areas with multiple examples and the illustration of issues caused by cargo theft.

For Germany alone, over 1,3 million thefts are noted per year. The German logistics association DSLV warns of disruptions to international logistics flows if the trend continues.

The EU-Study as well as the EU-Parking Standard supported by ESPORG are noted in the podcast, so take a listen if you are interested! You can access the podcast here:

https://www.deutschlandfunk.de/diebstahl-wie-kriminelle-die-transportbranche-schaedigen-100.html According to Europol, goods worth around 80 million euros are stolen directly from trucks in the European Union every year. Now investigators have struck a blow against an international gang of thieves. Watch the following film from SPIEGEL TV to see more:

https://www.spiegel.de/panorama/justiz/kampf-gegen-planenschlitzer-wie-kriminelle-diebesbanden-ganze-lkw-ladungenstehlen-spiegel-tv-a-1814841b-acd1-427d-bfa0-4f7c9b0cdb13?sara\_ecid=soci\_upd\_KsBF0AFjflf0DZCxpPYDCQgO1dEM-ph#OeBfN

The only solution is seamless collaboration by all stakeholders within the logistics industry and of course, increasing numbers of safe and secure parking areas certified according to a common standard—the EU-Parking Standard.

The ESPORG website has added Romanian and Hungarian to its available languages. The website itself and INTRANSIT will now be available in English, German, French, Spanish, Italian, Polish, Romanian, and Hungarian. We look forward to reaching as many people as possible in their native language!

