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Dear Members and Friends of ESPORG,

Welcome to the May edition of INTRANSIT!

This month we have the opportunity to feature member mowiz TRUCK Astigarraga, the winner of the ESPORG Excellence in Truck Parking Award 2023 as well as safe and secure parking members La Londonienne and XX-LKW Secure Parking. We will also highlight the safe and secure parking areas of member Autostrada del Brennero in Italy who will certify according to the bronze and silver levels of the EU-Parking Standard.

In addition, we will feature some photos from our and our members' attendance at the Transport Logistics Fair in Munich this month. The fair was a huge success!

We will also share a moving tribute to a fellow truck driver who died tragically two years ago this month due to unsafe circumstances—it is indeed another reminder of the pressing need for safety and security in truck parking places across Europe.

As always, in efforts to keep our readers informed on the most recent European news, we update our readers regarding new European policy about transitional tachographs, including what the policy entails as well as when it will be effective.

Last but not least, make sure you read our 'ESPOrg News' section so you can attend all the upcoming fairs, workshops and webinars and learn from any initiatives or courses we will be planning.

And finally, we would like to warmly welcome our new member PG Luar in Romania. We look forward to making the logistics industry safer and more secure with you!

Best wishes,

Dirk Penasse

EUROPEAN COMMISSION ADOPTS A REGULATION ON TRANSITIONAL TACHOGRAPHS

On 16 May 2023, the European Commission adopted the Implementing Regulation (EU) 2023/98, containing the transitional measures for the introduction of smart tachograph version 2 and including the use of the Galileo Open Service Navigation Message Authentication (OSNMA).

The Regulation was published in the Official Journal of the European Union and is available for consultation in all EU languages at the following link: EUR-Lex - 32023R0980 - EN - EUR-Lex (europa.eu *).

The Regulation entered into force on May 25th and will start applying on 21 August 2023. For reminder transitional tachographs “may be fitted in vehicles registered for the first time only until 31 May 2024 or 5 months after the Service Declaration date of OSNMA, whichever is the latest”, expected to become available by the end of the current year.

The Regulation does not contain any longer an obligation to update, on a mandatory basis, the software of the transitional tachographs.

*https://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/?uri=uriserv%3AOJ.L_.2023.134.01.0028.01.EN-G&toc=OJ%3AL%3A2023%3A134%3ATOC



LA LONDONNIENNE: A FULL SERVICE OFFER



ESPOG member La Londonnienne is situated in an ideal location: Transmarck(exit 48/A16) just next to the highway and Calais where many drivers are searching for secure parking in view of the migratory situation but also to wait for boarding by boat or to get the shuttle. On site they have RDV Transports (transports and logistics company), The Garage Des Pins (workshops for LV and HGV), and La Londonnienne (composed of one parking area dedicated to tractors and a brand new parking area of 130 spaces for trailers and tractors which opened in March 2022). Since this opening, La Londonnienne has tried to satisfy their customer needs and undertake new projects in order to offer drivers all the services they need.

The parking area offers the most secure of parking areas in line with all the requirements the Gold-level of the EU-Parking Standard requires and more, such as lighting, fences, ditch, security staff, dogs, anti-intrusion alarm.



Among other services, La Londonienne offers a full experience for drivers:

- IDS Q8 fuel station (4 double pumps)
- Ad Blue
- Wash Station for all vehicle types
- Workshop for maintenance of vehicles
- Laundry facilities
- Microwaves
- Dispenser
- Showers and toilets for men and women (with secure access)
- Full time security 24 hours/7 days a week: security dog and staff on site
- Drone for security
- Loyalty card with gifts and benefits
- Acceptance of various means of payment: snap, DKV, UTA, credit and debit cards available in 15 languages.



More about La Londonienne:

Location: Marck, France

Highway: A16

Certification level: Gold

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

CERTIFICATE OF EXCELLENCE

This certifies that

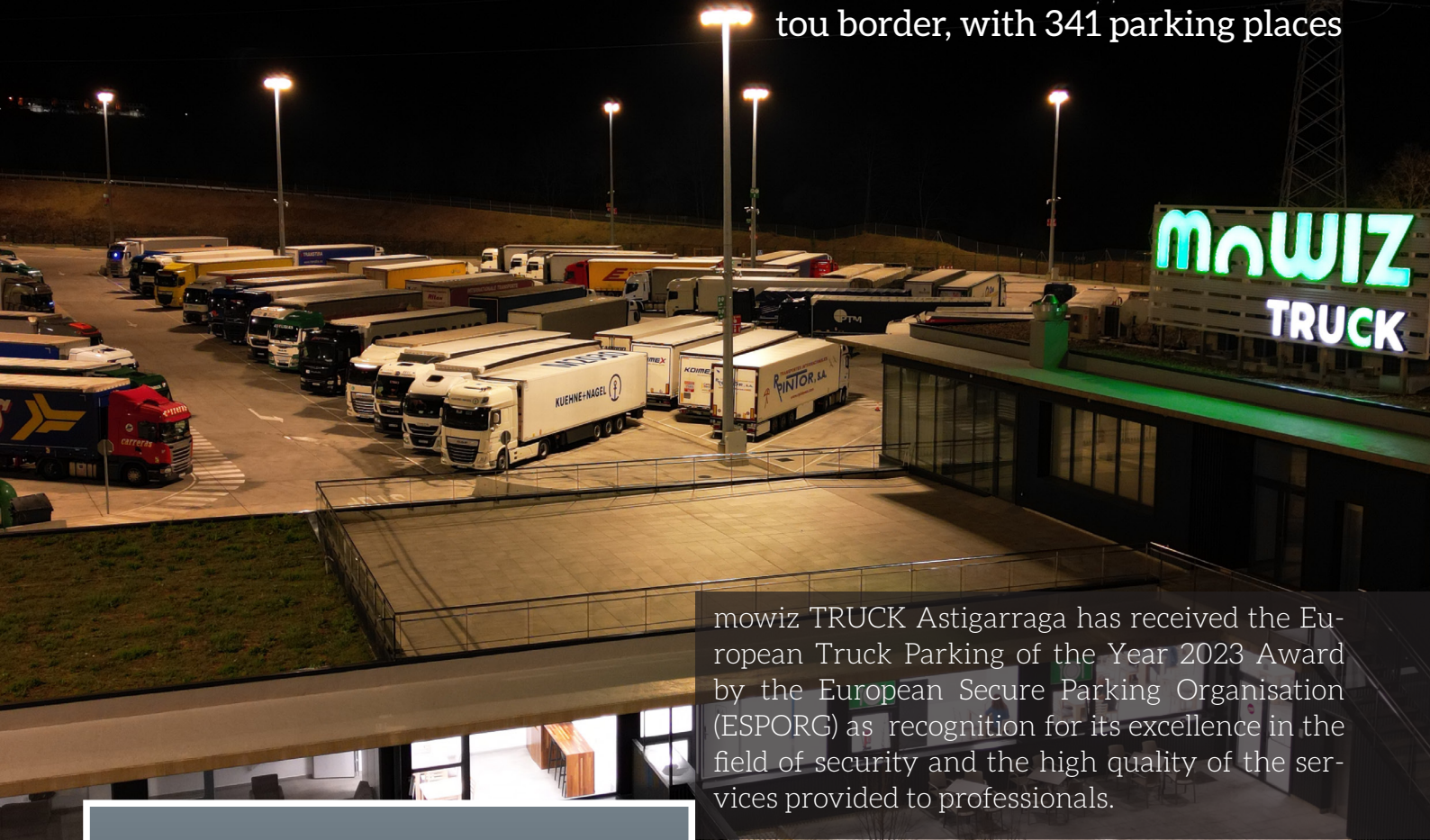
La Londonienne

has been commended by the international jury for
their participation in the **ESPORG Excellence in
Truck Parking Award 2023** as an excellent safe and
secure truck parking area.



MOWIZ TRUCK ASTIGARRAGA: EUROPEAN TRUCK PARKING 2023

Located on the E-70 AP-8/AP-1 of the TEN-T Atlantic Corridor, near the Biriattou border, with 341 parking places



mowiz TRUCK Astigarraga has received the European Truck Parking of the Year 2023 Award by the European Secure Parking Organisation (ESPOG) as recognition for its excellence in the field of security and the high quality of the services provided to professionals.



Since January 1st, 2022, truck drivers have been able to use this new secure and monitored parking area in the TEN-T Atlantic Corridor (Trans-European Transport Network). It operates under the name mowiz TRUCK Astigarraga, has a total capacity for 341 trucks and provides Gold level services. It is located at km 17 of the E-70 AP8/AP-1 motorway, before the Biriattou border (Western Pyrenees) in the Basque Country, near the municipality of Astigarraga, and serves northbound traffic. The parking area is part of the CIT Astigarraga-Oiartzun Integral Transport Center, which includes another area with the capacity for 184 trucks at km 8, in the Oiartzun service area, just after crossing the Irun toll booth, for those traveling south. The facilities were built in accordance with the requirements of the European Union and the high technological and quality standards required by the Gold level certificate of the EU-Parking Standard.

The two parking areas were fostered by the Gipuzkoa Provincial Council through its public company, BIDEGI. Their conservation, maintenance and management correspond to the company "CIT Autopista 8, S.A.", which operates under the brand "mowiz TRUCK". Users can reserve a place through the mowiz TRUCK app.



341 parking places for northbound traffic (Astigarraga)

The Astigarraga parking area, winner of the 2023 Excellence Award, is available to truck drivers traveling north to France. It is located 17 km away from the French border, in the municipality of Astigarraga, and has direct and exclusive access from the E-70 AP-8/AP-1 motorway. This 25,563 m² platform has the capacity for 341 trucks.

The parking area has 30 places for trucks carrying dangerous goods and 48 for refrigerated transport.

The entire enclosure has a 930-meter-long double anti-climbing fence, with a variable height between 2.5 and 3.5 meters, as required by the Gold level certificate. It includes surveillance cameras monitoring the entire surface, a public address system, a generator set, lighting and a system to control truck inflow and outflow.

Inside the perimeter, there is a green lane for walking or running and an area with fixed elements for exercising. The new parking area includes a building with a ground floor of 845 m² that houses a cafeteria-restaurant with daily menus, a supermarket, a rest area, toilets, showers and a laundry room.

Two outdoor modules can be found in the parking area, one with sinks and showers and one with laundry service, as well as a truck wash and a warehouse.

Environmental sustainability

A hydro cyclone drainage system allows water to be collected, especially from the first runoff, which carries surface material, that is decanted before it reaches the general rainwater network. The area for dangerous goods has a second drainage system that collects spills and takes them to a tank. In the future, it will include a service station for sustainable and environmentally friendly fuels.



Iñigo Beistegi: “The Excellence Award recognizes the level of Mowiz TRUCK Astigarraga in terms of the safety and services that we offer”

Iñigo Beistegi, Manager of mowiz TRUCK Astigarraga-Oiartzun, points out that users value the safety that these facilities offer both for the drivers and their trucks and for the goods they transport. “In addition to security, users value the clean facilities, the restaurant and the hot food it serves. They also like the multilingual staff, who speaks Spanish, French, Ukrainian and Russian, among other languages. We want them to feel comfortable and at home”.



Alexander Makarov: “I like the restaurant, the facilities and their accessibility”

This driver, in transit from Sweden to Portugal, has spent the night in Astigarraga more than once and learned of its existence from other truckers. When choosing a parking area, he values security, food and services.



Jury Openok and Andrey Danyliuk: “It is a safe parking area where we can use our VIA-T”

They share a truck from Portugal to Marseille, and state that they often use these types of facilities. Their company recommended this parking area and they like clean showers and the possibility of paying for services with their VIA-T. “All parking areas should be like this”.



Pablo Méndez: “We are parking here five trucks with material for nearby construction sites”

“We value the security of the parking area”, emphasizes Pablo Méndez. “We are carrying out some construction work near here and we use this parking area as a safe deposit for our five trucks full of material. Each time we have to supply the sites, we move the trucks with the required material and return to the parking area, where we reserve in advance”.



Aurelian Pop: “The facilities are new and have everything I need”

This driver does not hesitate to point out that “the facilities are new and have everything I need”. He travels from Madrid to France and uses the parking area regularly because of its security during the night. The company he works for is responsible for reservations.



Jorge Apolonia: “This is the first time I’ve used this parking area and I like it”

He is headed for England and this is the first time he has used the Astigarraga parking area, although he regularly stops in the secure parking areas of the European network. “I found out about this one on the information panels of the highway and my first impression is that it is a safe, quiet facility with good services.” He believes more secure truck parking areas are needed.



Joaquim Beijinha: “I value the security, the quietness and the services it offers”

He comes from A Coruña and is going to Calais to unload his truck in England. He knows this parking area and highly values its security, quietness and services. He often uses secure and monitored parking areas. “I spend the night in these parking areas and use their restaurant, showers and laundry services.”



Constantin Mavrodin: “Since it opened, I stop here regularly”

He comes from Valladolid, on his way to Germany, and takes advantage of his rest time to regain strength and have a coffee. He has known about the parking area since it opened a year ago and usually stops here both at rest times established by law and to spend the night. “On the highway, I can see panels with information about available places. I like security, because I do not want anyone to steal the diesel from the tank of the truck.”





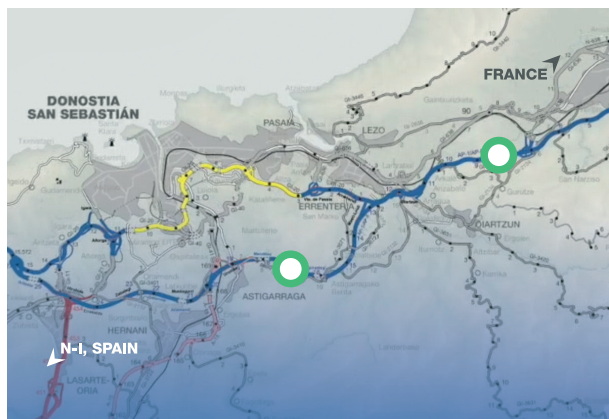
Astigarraga, Spain
AP-8/AP-1. PK 17,000

Oiartzun, Spain
AP-8/AP-1. PK 8,000



Winner of the ESPOG
Excellence in Truck Parking
Award 2023

*"Thank you very much to all the users for the award,
be welcome to our safe and secure truck park"*



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TRANSPORT LOGISTICS FAIR IN MUNICH 2023

On May 9-12, 2023, ESPORG hosted a stand at the Transport Logistics Fair in Munich along with 10 of our members: EU Funding Hub, mowizTruck, OnTurtle, Recharge City, Tank & Rast, Transportes Calsina y Carré, Travel Centres of Europe, Truck Park Brescia, Trucks'nB, and XXLKW Secure Parking. Not only were several partnerships built and meaningful contacts made, but it was a fantastic opportunity to spend time getting to know our members and for them to get to know each other. Associated Member Milence was also kind enough to provide a workshop regarding charging infrastructure in Europe.

So, please take a look at some highlights from the fair!

The next Transport Logistics Fair in Munich will take place in 2025—if you are already interested in attending with ESPORG, let us know by contacting a.beysen@esporg.eu!



ROMANIAN TRIBUTE TO FELLOW DRIVER

The following post is from Ilie Matei, the self-proclaimed “omul soselelor” or “man of the road”. Matei is a truck driver who owns a small logistics company in Romania and is fed up with the lack of safety and security for truck drivers across Europe. His post is not only a tribute to a fellow truck driver who died tragically two years ago in France, but also a cry for practical solutions to provide safety, security, and services to truck drivers NOW. You can read a translation of the post below.

You can read the original post here:

<https://www.facebook.com/CSPFE/posts/pfbid0hh-5UPoRAnqBQMRWkLKai1SMQvypksK7gHRyuw-bjW1pnFAwoFf8wMtHeWdWNkFQAvl>

“ This man isn’t some rich kid who wrecked his dad’s car killing a couple of people in a crosswalk. Nor is he some influencer, apartment blogger or clown who puts flour in his head for 2 lions in official matches.

He is Mihai, Spătaru Mihai !!!

Two years ago he was stabbed to death with a machete in a parking lot in France and his only fault was that he had the same job as us.

What has changed since then?

Well, a lot!

Not only have attacks on the trucks we drive started to be more frequent, but also in new areas like Germany, Austria and more recently in the Bulgarian, Serbian, Romanian border areas by infiltrating illegal immigrants into trailers bound for Western Europe.

The conditions are becoming more and more precarious, the resting places more and more unkempt and unsafe and the only problem of the European control bodies does not seem to be the safety of the professional drivers and the goods, but that you do not take the weekly rest at the hotel, that the drivers make trips longer than 1 month, that the trucks do

not go every 8 weeks to the country of registration and for this they fine the drivers and the transport companies with thousands of euros.

This is what the police protection is limited to in the transport of goods, to fines of 3-4 figures and the victims of both the police and the thieves are us, those who do this job, as Mihai did before being kidnapped next to the truck.

The only thing that has changed since this boy’s death is that the amount of fines given to those who work on trucks has increased, otherwise they can be maimed, killed, robbed, nobody cares.

Truck robberies are the order of the day in countries such as France, Spain, Czech Republic, Hungary, UK or Sweden and Denmark. Resting places are still scarce and after 5 p.m. it is almost impossible to find a free place, not to mention that even if you do, in the morning you can be found gassed in the cab, mutilated, robbed or with stolen goods or diesel!

So, what’s changed by this man’s death?

Exactly, nothing!

But it’s wonderful to hear speeches in the press about the safety of drivers, about how dangerous we are in traffic and to share almost weekly the hard-earned money to Western policemen who don’t know what comma in the laws to look for to increase the budget of the countries crossed by the people of Romania’s roads.

The funny thing is that recently the natives of those countries have started to be attacked, but everything is quickly covered up to give society the impression that they have the situation under control.

This man died for nothing, he died for the simple fact that he was working on a truck!!!

Rest in peace, comrade!

We won’t forget your name!”



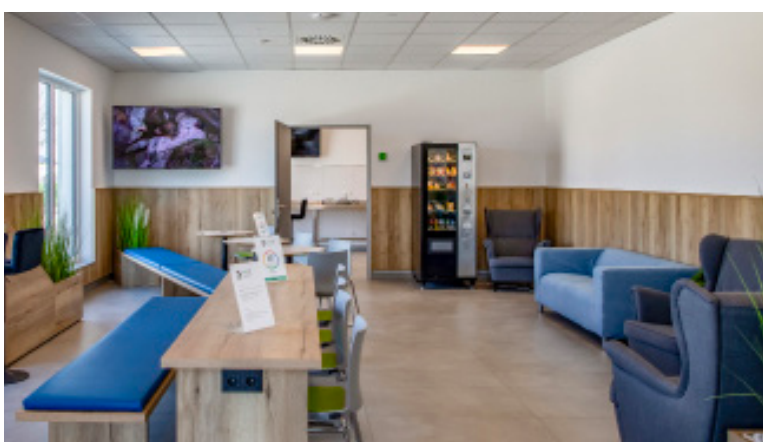
XXLKW CELEBRATES THE OPENING OF THEIR PARKING AREA WITH PARTNER EUROPART

On June 6, 2023, ESPORG member XXLKW Secure Parking will showcase their parking area with Europart, Europe's Number One partner for commercial vehicle parts and workshop supplies. The partnership between Europart and XXLKW began at the end of 2022, with both entities excited about their shared aim to connect the truck drivers and their bosses (the forwarding agents) as common customers.

According to Europart, "Seven decades of EUROPART stands for a living culture of customer-focus, experience and absolute reliability. Our passion for the industry has driven us since day one."

This dedication and passion is something Europart shares with XXLKW Secure Parking, a certified safe and secure parking area which celebrated its soft opening in December 2022. Now, on June 6th, the parking area will host a major event as a pit stop on the road show tour Europart will conduct throughout Europe as part of their 75th anniversary events.





XXLKW
Secure Parking
Elbebrücke

More about XXLKW

The safe and secure parking area offers 107 parking spaces to customers. It is located 800 meters from the Vockerode motorway exit in Saxony-Anhalt (A9 Munich – Berlin) for all trucks from a weight class of 15 tons (heavy duty vehicles). The location is quiet and yet still close to the motorway.

The XXLKW offers truck parking at the highest level for all customers, including drivers of Heavy Duty Vehicles:

- New and clean social rooms for men and women in sufficient number with multiple daily cleaning
- comfortable and modern lounges with TV and enough sockets
- cooking and dishwashing facilities
- many payment options (Snap, Telecash, DKV, UTA...)
- fast free WiFi on the entire premises
- 24/7 security through video surveillance and security on site and much more
- NEW! From summer 2023, the hotel – restaurant Elbebrücke will be available

For more information:

Please visit their site at <https://www.xxlkw-parking.de>.

Address:
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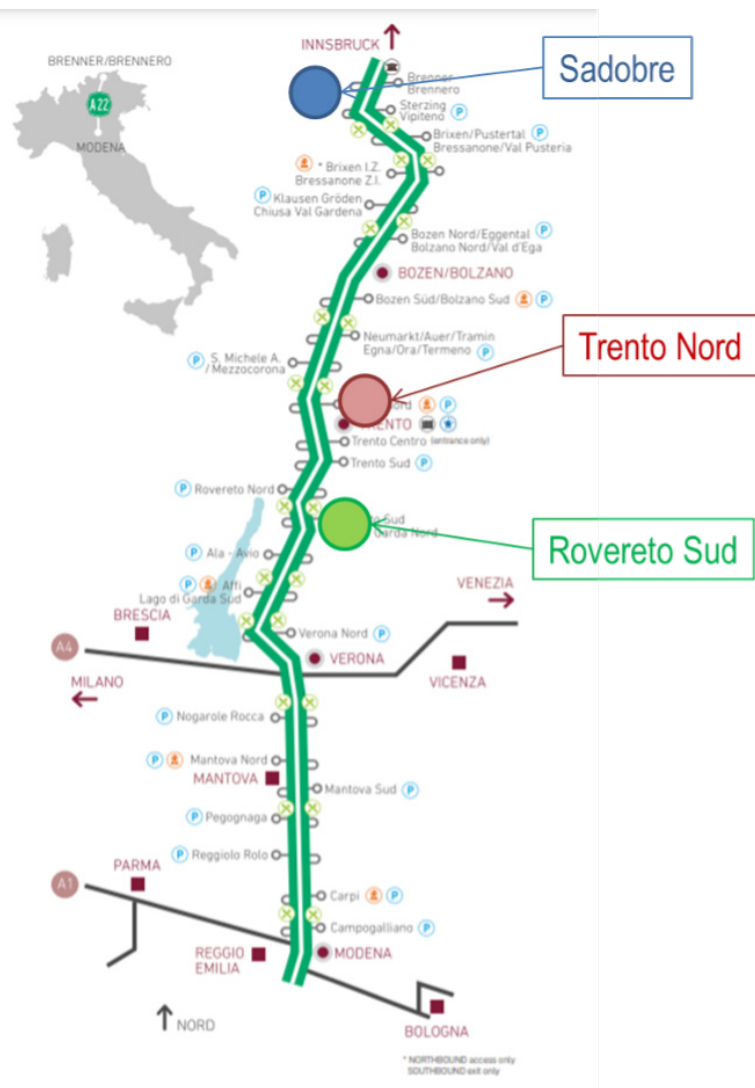
Autobahn A9, EXIT 9, Vockerode

For any questions,
contact info@xxlkw-parking.de.

SSTPAS ALONG THE BRENNER MOTORWAY TO BE CERTIFIED ACCORDING TO THE EU-PARKING STANDARD

Autostrada del Brennero will upgrade three SSTPAs along the Brenner Motorway in order to obtain the certification.

The Sadobre parking area has a surface of approximately 141.000 m² on an already urbanized area dedicated to industrial purposes. Not all the 320 parking spots will be certified as some find themselves in areas where passenger cars also can have access. Two smaller parking areas within the entire Sadobre area will be certified and include in total 150 parking stalls on approximately 70.000 m².



SSTPA Sadobre (Province of Bolzano – Italy)

The SSTPA finds itself about 16 km from the Austrian border and close to the Vipiteno toll gate.

This area is a key point to help truck drivers to find a place to stop for more than day when Tyrol (Austria) imposes transit bans for trucks during night hours or holidays.



The main activities to be carried out to upgrade the SSTPA are:

- implementation of a new surveillance system;
- implementation of a new lighting system;
- paving resurfacing and renewal of road marking;
- adaptation of internal procedures;
- extension of the coverage of free internet;
- training of the staff involved in the SSTPA management

The SSTPA Sadobre will be certified at the bronze level by the end of 2023 or mid 2024.

SSTPA Trento Nord (Province of Trento – Italy)

The SSTPA finds itself about 400 m from the

Trento Nord toll gate.

The Trento Nord parking area has a surface of approximately 34.000 m² on an already urbanized area dedicated to industrial purposes and includes 260 parking stalls.



The main activities to be carried out to upgrade the SSTPA are:

- upgrade of the surveillance system;
- upgrade of the lighting system;
- paving resurfacing and renewal of road marking;
- creation of a new service building to host new showers, toilets, vending machines, laundry, etc.;
- adaptation of internal procedures;
- provision of free internet for truck drivers;
- training of the staff involved in the SST-PA management

The SSTPA Trento Nord will be certified at the silver level by the of end 2023 or mid 2024.

SSTPA Rovereto Sud (Province of Trento – Italy)

The SSTPA is located next to the Rovereto Sud toll gate.

The Rovereto Sud parking area has a surface of approximately 29.000 m² and includes 100 parking stalls.



The main activities to be carried out to upgrade the SSTPA are:

- interfacing of the surveillance system with the Traffic Control Centre;
- provision of free internet for truck drivers;
- adaptation of the fence area and installation of new bars and gates;
- adaptation of internal procedures;
- training of the staff involved in the SST-PA management

The SSTPA Rovereto Sud will be certified at the silver level by mid 2023 or autumn 2023.

ESPOrg Speaks at UETR Round Table

On May 23rd, 2023, General Manager Dirk Penasse spoke about safe, secure, sustainable, connected truck parking as part of the round table organized by UETR in Italy entitled “Ensuring a fair and sustainable road transport sector with the right workforce and a workable green transition: today and tomorrow”.

Successful Workshop on May 25th !

Many thanks to all the participants of our workshop regarding CEF Funding on May 25th! Over 100 people registered for the workshop given by ESPOrg resident CEF-Expert, Frédéric Maas, and learned about the successful components of an application for funding.

Join our ESPOrg Community!

ESPOrg invites you to socialize and connect through their new Facebook group called “ESPOrg Community”. Through this group, ESPOrg hopes to grow closer to its network

through members sharing experiences, increasing visibility through promotion of their safe and secure parking areas and related services, and supporting and communicating with one another. Join us here: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/1387483795319893/>.

Workshop in Paris on June 8th!

ESPOrg will be hosting a workshop in Paris on June 8th covering topics such as CEF Funding, the EU-Parking Standard, Certification and Auditing, Transmigration & Security. Are you interested in attending? Please contact a.beysen@esporg.eu.

Upcoming workshops in Spain and Italy will be organized in September—please contact a.beysen@esporg.eu if you are interested in attending.

We want your suggestions!

Do you have topics you want to read about in INTRANSIT or want to suggest for workshops? Let us know! Contact christy.ha@esporg.eu



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