



# Young Researchers Seminar 2017

## ANNOUNCEMENT

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Dear Colleagues,

I am pleased to announce the 8<sup>th</sup> Young Researchers Seminar which will be held from

**16-18 May 2017 in Berlin, Germany**

hosted by

the **German Aerospace Center (DLR)** 

and supported by,

**ECTRI** (European Conference of Transport Research Institutes) [www.ectri.org](http://www.ectri.org)

**FEHRL** (Forum of European National Highway Research Laboratories) [www.fehrl.org](http://www.fehrl.org)

**FERSI** (Forum of European Road Safety Research Institutes) [www.fersi.org](http://www.fersi.org)



### What is the Young Researchers Seminar (YRS)?

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An event organised every two years in a different European country.

The common vision for the Young Researchers Seminar is the preparation of a new generation of transport scientists and science based professionals in the area of transport.

The objectives are:

- To enable the networking of young transport researchers belonging to the Supporting Organizations Members, ECTRI, FEHRL, FERSI and from United States' Universities<sup>1</sup>.
- To train young researchers, by tutorial means through a retroactive manner, to elaborate, prepare papers and present oral scientific communications.

Therefore, this Seminar is not only aimed at scientific excellence, but also at presentation skills and the ability to put science into practice.

<sup>1</sup> Since 2007, thanks to the Memorandum of Understanding between ECTRI and the Transportation Research Board from the United States, participation to the Seminar has been opened to young researchers and tutors from the US Universities.

### What are the topics of the Seminar?

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The indicative research domains covered during this seminar are:

- Transport economics, policy and transport behaviour
- Transport sustainability and environment
- Transport safety
- Intelligent transport systems (ITS) & traffic management
- Transport civil and road engineering

## Who is invited to participate?

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The **young researchers** are invited to participate by their own institutes. They are preferably post-doc (less than 5 years after PhD) and are involved in one of the 5 research domains.

Attention will also be put on ensuring a balanced representation among the institutes based on the following criteria:

- Maximum 1 participant per research domain for institutes with more than 300 staff
- Maximum 3 participants in total for institutes with less than 300 staff
- And 1 US young researcher per domain

The **tutors** are senior researchers from the Supporting Organizations but also from United States' Universities (international cooperation through ECTRI-TRB Memorandum of Understanding).

## What is offered?

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The format of the seminar is:

- content oriented through technical sessions with oral presentations of 20 minutes and 10 minutes Q/A.
- cross cutting oriented sessions of two types:
  - o small key note session on specific subjects
  - o scientific methods on tools and research process sessions.

The three best papers and presentations will be selected for awards by the Steering Committee based on the tutors' recommendations and announced at the closing session of the Seminar.

Besides the scientific activities, where tutors shall moderate the content sessions that are organised under the supervision of the Steering Committee and retroact to the presentation, there are networking activities such as technical and social visits and an official dinner.

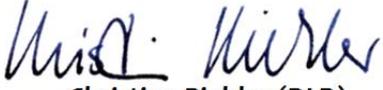
## YRS2017 Key Dates

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- **29 April 2016:** Launch of call for abstracts and call for tutors
- **30 September 2016:** Deadline for submission of abstracts and nomination of tutors
- **31 October 2016:** Notification of acceptance/rejection of young researchers abstracts and tutors candidacies
- **16 January 2017:** Deadline for full draft paper submission
- **16 January to 14 April 2017:** Exchange between tutors and young researchers
- **14 April 2017:** Deadline for submission of final paper
- **21 April 2017:** Deadline for submission of PowerPoint presentation
- **16-18 May 2017:** Holding of the Young Researchers Seminar

Information on the Seminar is available at [YRS website](#).

**I look forward to seeing you in Berlin in 2017!**



Christian Piehler (DLR)  
Organising Committee

## Supporting organisations

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