Monday 11 October

1:00 - 3:00 pm

Volkswagen/L3 Pilot

LOGISTICS: Meet at entrance to exhibit hall B3 at 12:45 pm, and we will receive special badges to enter the exhibit hall. Note that portions of the hall will still be under construction (the hall doesn’t officially open until 5:00 pm), so please use caution and watch your step. We will be both indoors and outdoors.

OVERVIEW: We are invited to meet with representatives from Volkswagen and the L3 Pilot program.  L3 Pilot is a large-scale European pilot test of automated driving functions of SAE Level 3 and partially Level 4 on public roads, unifying 13 major OEMs and altogether 34 partners from 12 countries. The scale of this effort is itself monumental.

This year’s World Congress represents the “conclusion” of the pilot and we expect them to share lessons learned, in addition to having an opportunity to discuss some of the testing parameters and talk with different OEM partners. This pilot is a vehicle-centric research program so discussion concerning interaction with the infrastructure will be secondary to many of the lessons learned - but nonetheless will still be very instructive to understand the details and lessons learned from this massive effort.

WEBSITE: <https://l3pilot.eu/>

AGENDA: The first portion of our meeting will be indoors (presumably at their booth), learning about the program and having an opportunity to interact with some of the team members. For the second part, they have booked several time slots for our group to do ride-and-drive demonstrations of the vehicles in the pilot. Because the vehicles are traditional passenger cars, only a few people at a time can go, so we’ll spread it out depending on availability of our delegates.

HOST DELEGATION: Mr. Aria Etemad (Volkswagen) is the principal lead for the L3 Pilot program, and will be our host for the meeting. He expects we will also get to meet Luisa Andreone (Fiat) and Yves Page (Renault), and possibly a BMW representative.

US DELEGATION

1. Victoria Sheehan, Commissioner, New Hampshire DOT
2. Shawn Wilson, Secretary, Louisiana DOTD
3. Roger Millar, Secretary, Washington State DOT
4. Carlos Braceras, Executive Director, Utah DOT
5. Paul Ajegba, Director, Michigan DOT
6. Tracy Larkin Thomason, ITS America
7. Randy Iwasaki, Amazon Web Services
8. Steve Kuciemba, WSP
9. Leslie Harwood, NCHRP
10. King Gee, AASHTO

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