

**Title of the special session:** Network Modeling Solutions for Connected and Automated Vehicles: Advances in Computing and Communication Technologies

**Aim and Scope (up to 300 words), stating importance and novelty, and describing technical issues the special session will address:** Connected/automated vehicles (CAVs) are revolutionizing existing ground transportation systems. The transformative effects of these technologies on transportation systems as we know are expected with certainty albeit an uncertain future. For example, with partial automation now widely available for consumers, the vehicle fleet in the next 20-30 years will likely comprise a mixture of human-driven and partially-automated vehicles. Research to date has focused mostly on various new traffic operation and control strategies, such as platooning leveraging CAV technologies. For example, new intersection protocols have been suggested to replace traffic signals with an individual vehicle control logic. Related behavioral studies indicate that using CAVs to promote shared mobility may have a great potential to decrease current vehicle ownership as well as the demand for parking infrastructure.

These upcoming changes to ground transportation system raise the urgent needs for innovative network modeling solutions for efficiently improving traffic mobility, safety and environmental sustainability. This proposal seeks to gather innovative methodology contributions, which transform network modeling field considering the impacts of CAV technologies. These approaches will generate new planning and traffic operation and control methods and tools for analyzing the ground transportation systems in the future. Moreover, opportunities to use time for other activities while traveling are expected to reduce the value of travel time (VOTT), and thereby induce travel demand and affect land use in the long term. Another important aspect is the effect of CAVs on transit. Different business models and incentives may increase the competitiveness or cooperativeness between the two modes. This proposal seeks to gather innovative methodology contributions, which will transform the network modeling field considering the impacts of CAV technologies. These contributions will generate new transportation planning and simulation tools for analyzing the transportation systems of the future incorporating new traffic operation and control methods and tools.

**List of specific topics of interest (up to 10 topics):**

- Understanding transportation networks from CAV data
- Route choice behavior for CAVs
- Network modeling and optimal control of mobility as a service
- Network equilibrium models for mixed autonomy
- Shared mobility using CAV capabilities
- Intersection control logic for CAVs
- Traffic flow models for networks with mixed traffic with CAVs
- Resilient transportation systems in an era of automation

- Emerging markets surrounding the introduction of CAVs and its effect on public transportation
- Changes in value of travel time (VOTT) and its short and long-term effects

**A history of the special session, if not being offered for the first time:** N/A

**Expected number of manuscripts submitted for consideration and, if available, list of prospective authors and contributions:** 9

**Dissemination plan (upon approval, organizers are encourage to disseminate CFPs if the special session is opened to the community and is not organized within the scope of a specific project):**

This call for papers will be advertised through the mailing lists of the Transportation Network Modeling Committee (ADB30) and the Committee on Artificial Intelligent and Advanced Computing Applications (ABJ70) of the Transportation Research Board. It will also be advertised through the Transportation Science and Logistics (TSL) Society of INFORMS.

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