ICT-based Tunnel Safety Seminar Day

23 November 2023

09:00-15:45

Introduction

Recent years have seen the emergence of several innovation fields within the area of Information and Communication Technologies (ICT) – e.g., from Artificial Intelligence (AI), 5G cellular and vehicular communication networks, to sensor fusion, big data processing and storage, and automation. This has in part enabled and coincided with the emergence of Autonomous Vehicles (AVs) and smart roads paving the way for the deployment of Cooperative Intelligent Transport Systems (C-ITS) on the road system. On the other hand, **road tunnels** constitute a vital part of the road system, particularly in countries such as Norway where geographical terrain mandate the presence of many tunnels. In this seminar day we will discuss in detail how these technologies can contribute to ensuring the increased safety in road tunnels.

Presenters

- Naeem Khademi (Associate Professor, UiS -- main organizer)
- Geir Sverre Braut (Professor, SUS)
- Gunnar Jenssen (SINTEF)

Agenda

Time	Topics	Presenter
09:00-09:15	Opening seminar day	Naeem Khademi
09:15—10:00	Risk Management and Regulation in Road Tunnels (part #1)	Geir Sverre Braut
	The concept of risk	
	 Risk as a "construct" 	
	 Describing and analyzing risk 	
	 Risk regulation 	
	 Models 	
	 Mechanisms (tools) 	
	 Responsibilities 	
10:00—10:15	Break	
10:15—11:00	Risk Management and Regulation in Road Tunnels (part #2)	Geir Sverre Braut
	 General principles for risk management 	
	 Design-phase versus operating-phase 	
	"High risk"-approaches	
	"Population"/" Mass-strategic"-approaches	
	 Processes for (organizational) learning 	
	 From analyses 	
	 From incidents 	
	 From exercises 	
11:00—11:15	Break	
11:15—12:00	Human Behavior in Normal Situations and in Tunnel Fires (part #1)	Gunnar Jenssen
	 Tunnels: key factors affecting tunnel safety and human 	
	behavior	
	Evac modelling	

	 Normative versus formative behavior 	
	 Can modelling be trusted? 	
	 What can we learn from real tunnel fires? 	
	 Interview of survivors in real Oslofjord & Gudvanga 	
	Tunnel fires	
	 Theories of Human behavior in tunnel fires 	
	 Freeze response 	
	o Fight or Flight?	
12:00—13:00	Lunch Break	
13:00—13:45	Human Behavior in Normal Situations and in Tunnel Fires (part #2)	Gunnar Jenssen
	 Technologies and emergency exit systems 	
	Detection and warning	
	 The role of AID and CCAM in self-rescue 	
	 Technologies and emergency exit systems 	
	 Studies of way finding in tunnel fires 	
	 Use of emergency escape tunnels and evacuation 	
	rooms	
	 EU regulations 	
	 Exemptions 	
	 Recommendations 	
13:45—14:00	Break	
14:00—14:45	C-ITS and Communication Technologies in the Road Tunnels (part #1)	Naeem Khademi
	 Vehicular communication in road tunnels 	
	 Technologies: DSRC/WAVE and C-V2X 	
	 Concepts: V2X concepts (V2V, V2I and V2P) 	
	 Standards (ETSI and 3GPP) 	
	C-ITS messaging and protocol stack	
	 C-ITS messages for safety in road tunnels 	
14:45—15:30	C-ITS and Communication Technologies in the Road Tunnels (part #2)	Naeem Khademi
	GNSS-denied Positioning in road tunnels	
	 Infrastructure-based Solutions (LTE-P, BLE beacons) 	
	 Deployment Challenges 	
	 Potential non-infrastructure-based solutions (Al- 	
	based, RFIC/visual tags)	
	 Safety applications in road tunnels 	
	 Use of edge computing 	
	 Risk-aware Decision Support Systems (DSS) for and C-ITS 	
	messaging using V2X	
	 Digital twins for tunnels in operation and traffic monitoring 	
	centers	
15:30—15:45	Concluding remarks and wrapping-up	Naeem Khademi