

# Automatisch Vervoer op de Last Mile

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# Hands free

- Cruise Control
- Automated lane following
- Eyes off road
- Capable driver
- Highway “now”



# Driverless

- No steer & pedals
- User selects vehicle & destination
- Constrained routes
- Low speed



***Interacting with normal traffic***

# Dutch Automated Vehicle Initiative



To investigate, improve and demonstrate automated driving on public roads

- Assess & improve technology
- Study human behaviour
- Prove safety
- Pursue legalisation
- Create public awareness

DAVI DEMO November 2013  
Innovatie Estafette RAI & A10 Amsterdam



# DAVI related projects & partners

DAVI open initiative	TU Delft, TNO, Connekt, SWOV, Un Twente, Fontys, Hanze, HAN, RUG, Toyota Motor Europe, NXP, Imtech, Royal Haskoning DHV, VisLab, SKF, Technolution, Almende, V-tron, Trinité, Mapscape, DLR, TRL, ITS-Leeds, Un Southampton, RWTH
Human Factors of Automated Driving (HFAuto), Marie Curie ITN FP7	TU Delft, TU München, Un Southampton, Un Twente, Chalmers Un of Technology, IFSTTAR, VTI, Volvo Truck, Volvo Car, BMW, Jaguar, Toyota Motor Europe, Continental, TNO, SWOV
Truck Merging Support, STW-HTSM	TU Delft, TU Eindhoven, DAF, SKF, TNO, NXP
From Individual Automated Vehicles to Cooperative Traffic Management (IAVTRM) STW-OTP	TU Delft, Toyota Motor Europe, TNO, NXP, Imtech, RDW, Connekt, SWOV, Technolution, Almende, V-tron
Standardized Self-diagnostic Sensing Systems for Highly Automated Driving (S4-DRIVE) STW-OTP	TU Delft, NXP, TNO, Toyota Motor Europe, Tata Motors Europe, Technolution, InnoSenT, Melexis
Taking the Fast Lane STW-OTP	TU Delft, NXP, Rijkswaterstaat, SWOV, Technolution, TomTom, DLR
<b>WEpods Driverless Public Transport</b>	<b>Province of Gelderland</b>
Safe interaction of automated vehicles with vulnerable road users (SafeVRU)	TU Delft, Province of Gelderland, TNO, NXP, 2GetThere, SWOV, RDW



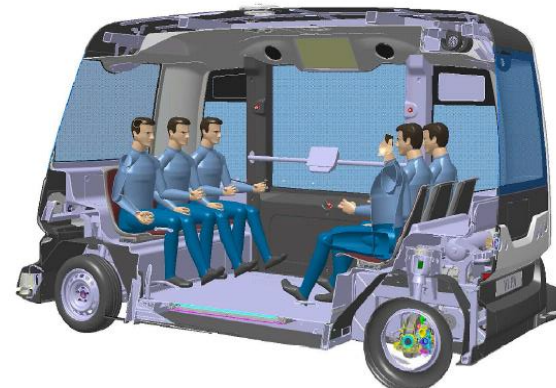
# driverless shuttles in the Netherlands



# WEpods Gelderland NL

“The first selfdriving vehicles in the Netherlands will drive in Ede and Wageningen”  
Newspaper “de Gelderlander” 1 Oct 2014.

- Vision
  - 24/7 on demand “public” transport
  - Last mile (train to door)
- Innovation
  - From closed track to public roads



# Driverless is a reality in the Netherlands



People since 1997

# Driverless is a reality in the Netherlands



Rotterdam 1999 - 2002



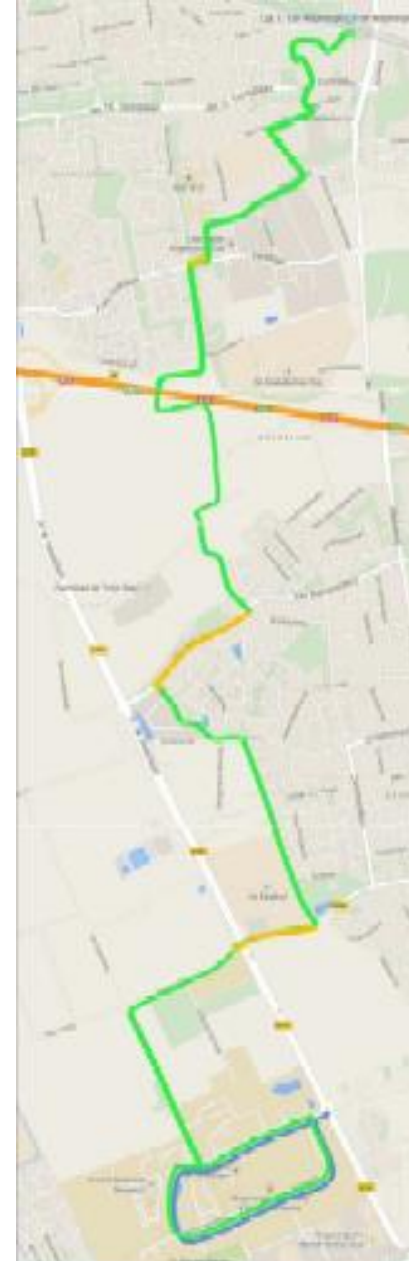
Rotterdam since 2004





# WEpods route

- Ede-Wageningen train station to Wageningen University (11 km)
  - Urban (other vehicles <30/50/60 km/h)
  - Diverse traffic: cars, pedestrians, cyclists
  - Traffic lights (1 extra)
- Testing
  - Steward on board (monitor, stop, intervene)
- Deployment
  - Control room monitoring



# Technology



## EASYMILE EZ10 platform

- Citymobil2

EASY  
MILE



## Additions

- D-GPS/RTK + INS + Odometry + landmark positioning
- 9 camera's + 9 radars + 8 ultrasonics
- 6 multilayer lasers
- NVIDIA Drive PX + ECUs
- Interior camera
- Interior + exterior intercom
- 4G LTE + Wifi-P 802.11p communication
- Electrobit E-Horizon
- 20 KWH batteries
- Heater, belts, roller chair fixation, wiper, 3rd brake light, int. covers, steward seat

- Supervisor system
- User App
- Infotainment

# Wepods timeline

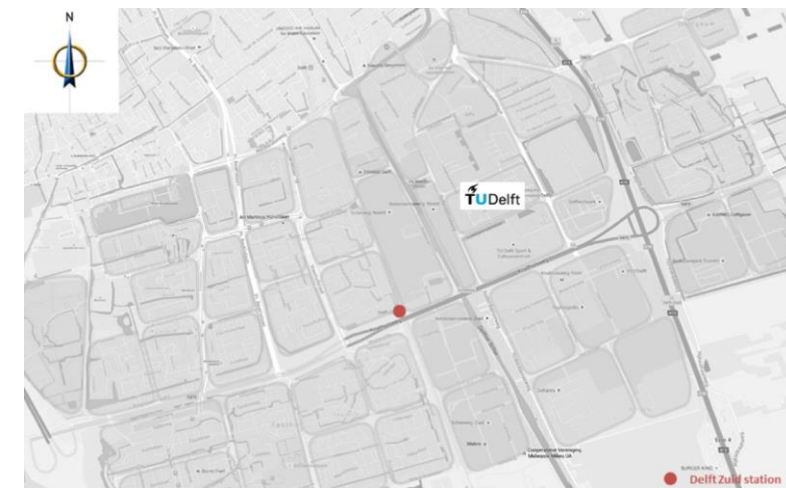
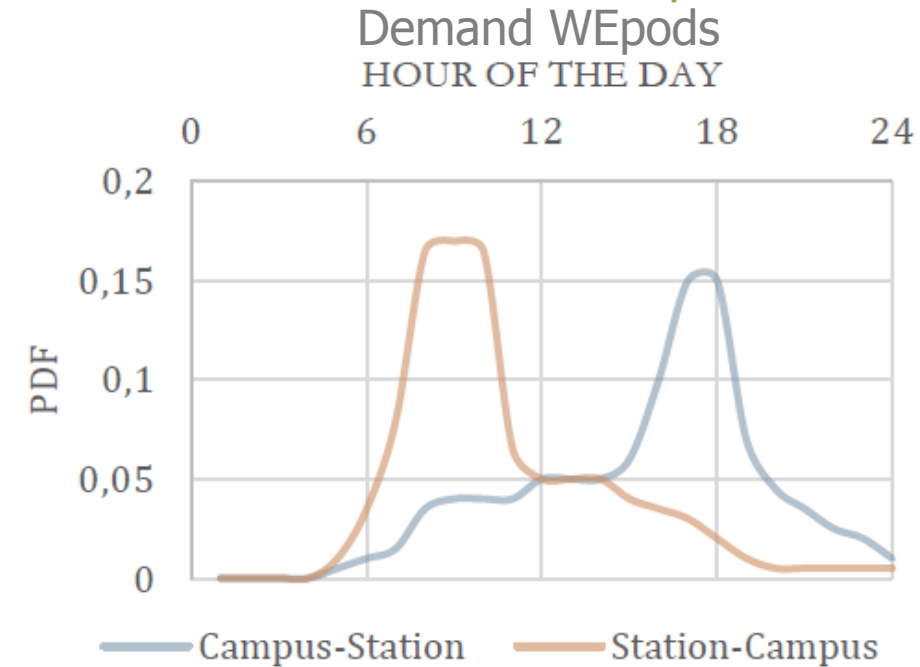
- January 2016
  - first licence plates driverless vehicle
  - first press event
- >May 2016
  - Testing & demos
- >Dec 2016
  - Driving every Tuesday 11-13hr
- Follow up projects
  - VRU detection & interaction
  - Affordability
  - Operational services



# Towards functional use

- WEpods station Ede-Wageningen to Campus Wageningen University<sup>1</sup>
  - Optimum 280 vehicles, 5 Euro per trip
- Delft Zuid Last Mile<sup>2</sup>
  - Profit maximization leads to better service than serving first requests
  - 40 vehicles - 95% demand - optimal profit
  - 60 vehicles - 99.9% demand - 90% of optimal profit

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# Opinions on automated driving <sup>1</sup>

- Survey focused on cars<sup>1</sup>
  - Diverse / extreme responses
  - 22% unwilling to pay for fully automated driving
  - 5% willing to pay more than \$ 30,000
- Survey focused on automated shuttles<sup>2</sup>
  - 57% would use a 100% electric driverless vehicle from the train station or some other public transport stop to the final destination or vice versa
  - 56% would use it 1 day per week or more
- Concerned about
  - software hacking/misuse
  - legal issues and safety

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# Outlook Driverless Transport

- Technology
  - Increase velocity
  - Reduce costs
  - Prove safety
  - Drive without steward
  - Legislation
- From demo to operation
  - Acceptance, occupants & other road users
  - Flexible Reservation

