



Dear Sir or Madam,

It has been a while since our last newsletter, but of course things have developed significantly in the meantime. Thus, we are pleased to give you an update about the European project "Testing and evaluation methods for ICT-based safety systems (eVALUE)" today.

Different accident scenarios have been identified in the beginning of the project. In the last months, our core activities have been detailing the test methods as well as compiling and refining the testing protocols for these scenarios. Some initial application of our methods by means of physical testing has given us valuable feedback. Our focus was especially on feasibility and repeatability. Intensive physical testing and application of the draft test protocols is the main task for this year in order to validate and improve the methods we propose. In addition, we will contact distinguished experts in this field for a review of the test protocols soon.

Another important, but also tricky topic are indicators which show potential to assess the safety benefit of different active safety functions. Here, we encounter a major challenge since the required input data, e.g. detailed accident statistics, is not fully given for Europe. We have identified a first set of indicators though and efforts are invested into validation of these. However, it can already be stated today that additional research beyond the scope of eVALUE will be required. The project consortium will collect these open questions and identify the demand of subsequent work. Towards the end of eVALUE, the results will be published as an interface for other and future initiatives.

This summer, the project will be presented during the TRA 2010 conference in Brussels as well as during FISITA 2010 in Budapest. We are intending to hold a dedicated workshop on our test protocols in the context of the FISITA conference. In case you are interested, please get in touch with us by phone or e-mail. Furthermore, a final demonstration event is scheduled for 24 & 25 November 2010 at IDIADA's proving ground in Spain. Details and invitations will be sent later this year, but you might already save the date.

Please also visit our website www.evalue-project.eu for latest updates and information.

On behalf of the consortium, best regards,
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