



Dear EPA members and colleagues,

we would like to update you on recent activities in the EPA and inform you about the EPA annual general meeting on September 19th in Lisbon and encourage you to answer or distribute the call for abstracts initiated by the Scientific and Technical Committee for the 17th EPA congress.

With best wishes from Cologne

Elisabeth Herles and Gerry Trost-Heutmekers, EPA Secretariat

17th EPA congress 2015 - Call for abstracts

The Scientific and Technical Committee of the 17th EPA congress is pleased to announce a **Call for Abstracts** for the 17th EPA congress that will take place in Berlin from Wednesday, September 23 to Friday, September 25, 2015.

Interested authors are invited to submit abstracts on research, policy developments, and innovative practices related to the field of parking. Commercial presentations will not be accepted.

The topic of the abstract must be related to any of the following topics:

- Parking as a product: what can the sector offer?
- The role of parking in urban mobility
- Parking and retail
- Parking, Politics and Emotions
- Parking and human behavior
- The future role of the parking operator
- Parking in the digital age
- The payment process
- On-street parking
- Park and Ride

17th EPA Congress and PARKEN

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Berlin, 23 – 25 September 2015



Instructions

Submit your abstract and a short biography by **July, 31st 2014** as PDF documents by Email to:
epa@europeanparking.eu Subject line: 2015 EPA Congress + Your Surname

Each submitted abstract must be in English, must not exceed two pages, and must include:

- Name / Address / Phone Number /Author E-mail
- General topic of the abstract, example: "Park and Ride"
- Name your abstract file as follows: 2015 EPA Congress Your surname - the topic.
Example: 2015 EPA Congress Smith – Park and Ride



Schedule call for abstarcts

- July 31, 2014: Abstract submission deadline.
- October 2014: Authors invited to submit draft papers.
- December 2014: Draft paper submission deadline; Steering Committee completes reviews.
- January 2015: Issue final announcement with program and registration materials.
- May 2015: Final paper submission deadline.

Scientific and Technical Committee for the 17th EPA congress

- Laurence A. **Bannerman**, EPA Vice President, Chairman of the STC
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The succesful german trade fair Parken, which exclusively covers the planning, construction and operation of parking areas is organised together with the 17th EPA congress from September 23-25, 2015 at the Estrel Convention Centre in Berlin.

Conatct Stephanie Armbruster, Project Manager for the exhibition for all further info about registration.

www.epacongress.eu/parken-exhibition.com/exhibitorkit

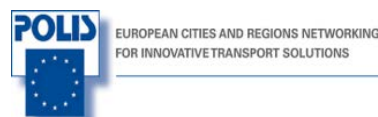
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EPA General Meeting Friday September 19th, 2014 Lisbon

The EPA annual general meeting takes place on Friday, September 19th, 2014 from 09.00 am -11.00 am at Forte Bom Sucesso in Lisbon. Invitations and agenda have been distributed to all EPA members by email.

In the afternoon the 4th EPA-POLIS Seminar will be held from 14:30-18:30 with a focus on on-street parking solutions. Further details on the programme will be available soon.



A guided visit to the EPA Award winning car park Mercado do Chao do Loureiro is also scheduled for delegates.

Please register your delegates and guests to the EPA general meeting by email to epa@europeanparking.eu

The general meeting 2014 is hosted by the 5th Iberian Congress of Parking and Mobility.

The Iberian Congress is organised from September 17th to 19th in Fundação Champalimaud, Lisbon by the national parking associations of Portugal ANEPE and Spain, ASEGGA. The congress will also feature an exhibition with free admittance.

The language of the Iberian congress programme is Portuguese or Spanish. Delegates who wish to attend the congress are kindly asked to contact geral@anepe.pt for further information and rates.

Event website: www.mobilidade2014.pt



**5º Congresso Ibérico
de Estacionamento e Mobilidade**
18 / 19 setembro 2014 | Lisboa
Fundação Champalimaud

Hotel recommendation for EPA members

Hotel Dom Pedro Palace, Av. Eng. Duarte Pacheco, 24, 1070-109 Lisboa, Portugal

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Please contact the EPA Secretariat for the hotel booking form.



EPA Task group Blue Badge Parking in Europe

The Board of the European Parking Association has installed a task group to examine existing regulations concerning parking for people with disabilities. The task group is called “Blue Badge Parking in Europe”.



The Blue Badge is recognised in all European countries and allows the holder to use the same parking concessions as the country’s own citizens with disabilities. However, parking concessions for holders of a blue badge card currently differ from country to country.

The task group’s objective is to investigate a possible harmonisation of regulations throughout Europe and to discuss and develop recommendations to prevent fraud.

The members of the group are EPA board member Egil Ostvik from Norway, who chairs the group, Anjna Patel and Dave Smith from the UK. The initial step is to gain an overview and to take stock of the various regulations that exist throughout Europe. To this end a short electronic survey has been devised and EPA member associations are kindly asked to fill in the survey before **June 12th**, 2014

Link to the survey: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/63KSSNJ>

EPA Task Group on E-Payments: IPIPS

The EPA task group on E-Payments has been installed to find a way to help EPAs members plan better their investments in the area of electronic payments. The working group is currently extracting from the IFSF standards a subset specific to the parking industry, the International Parking Industry Payments Standards (IPIPS).

For further information on the work of the group please contact the co-chairs Nigel Williams nige@parkingmatters.com or Richard Thoma: tho.r@altanocard.com

EPA participates in consortium of EU funded project Push&Pull

Together with 15 partners from all over Europe EPA is participating in the EU funded project Push and Pull which



will use parking management and incentives as successful and proven strategies for energy-efficient urban transport. The project has a duration of three years and has eight implementation cities.

More info soon on: push-pull-parking.eu



EPA Award 2015 - introducing a new category

Also in 2015 the prestigious EPA Awards will be announced at the 17th EPA congress. The European Parking Award has been established by EPA as a biennial award for excellence in parking. A prize can be awarded in different categories: for new parking structures, for renovated parking structures, for public space on-street parking projects, for innovative schemes in off-street parking and for the first time in the newly introduced category for marketing and communications on parking.



The rules and regulations are available from June 2014 at the EPA Secretariat, they are for download on www.europeanparking.eu/awards and published in the next edition of Parking trend.

ESPA 2014

The ESPA is a standard for good quality in parking structures. The assessment and presentation of the ESPA awards is in the responsibility of the national parking associations. The checklist is available for download on the website or from the Secretariat. EPA's member associations can order the signs at a price of € 95,- per piece at the EPA Secretariat. The reviewed guidelines will be presented to EPA members at the EPA general meeting on September 19th, 2014.



Parking Trend international



Theme	Copy deadline	Advertising Data deadline	Date of publication
Issue 3: Management - Data processing in parking operations	5 Aug	9 Aug	20 Aug
Issue 4: Technology - Credit cards and other cashless payment solutions	15 Oct	22 Oct	22 Nov

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Calendar

June 4th, 2014

Fachtagung "Vernetzte Mobilität"

Hamburg, Hotel Hafen Hamburg, Germany www.parken.de

Bundesverband Parken e.V.



SLOVENSKÁ PARKOVACIA ASOCIÁCIA

10th SPA Parking Conference

October 21-23, 2014, High Tatras

Slovak Parking Association, www.spa-parking.sk



**Parking Australia Convention
and Exhibition (PACE)**

Brisbane Convention & Exhibition Centre, QLD
14 – 16 September 2014
"Driving Change"

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