

### News archive 2008

**November**

**2008**

**On 8 and 9 January 2009 there will be a NATO-funded Advanced Research Workshop on "Security and Environmental Sustainability of Multimodal Transport"**. Over 20 invited speakers will contribute to the event, which will be held in the Imperial Business School. For further details, see <http://arw-london2009.com>. If you wish to participate, please contact [solmaz.haji06@ic.ac.uk](mailto:solmaz.haji06@ic.ac.uk).

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**October**

**2008**

**The fifth Imperial College/ Lloyd's Register Educational Trust Lecture was successfully held on Wednesday, 8 October.** The presentation was given by Dr Chris Elliott, titled as "Transport safety – is the law an ass?". The detail of the presentation can be found on website of Llyod Register Educational Trust:

<http://www.cts.cv.ic.ac.uk/lr/News.asp>

**Dr. Shaojun Feng Chaired a session on "Electronic Payment Services" at IEEE Intelligent Transportation Systems Society Conference.** He also gave a paper co-authored with Professor Washington Ochieng and Dr Robin North on Quantitative Measures for GPS Based Road User Charging. This global conference was held in Beijing, China and covered the state-of-the-art in the research, development and applications in intelligent transport systems.

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**September**

**2008**

**An article in The Star Malaysia Opinion section entitled 'Give thought to car project'.** Discusses the limitations of encouraging the use electric cars in resolving environmental and mobility issues.

<http://thestar.com.my/news/story.asp?file=/2008/9/5/focus/22244384&sec=focus>

**An article in The Star Malaysia Opinion section entitled 'Fuel subsidy not a sustainable option'.** Discusses the long term sustainability of subsidising road transport fuel in Malaysia.

**July**

**2008**

**Congratulations to Professor Washington Ochieng for his re-election as Member of Council and Trustee of the Royal Institute of Navigation at the Annual General Meeting (AGM) attended by HRH The Duke of Edinburgh.**

**Congratulations to Dr Shaojun Feng for his election to the grade of 'Fellow' of the Royal Institute of Navigation.** The Fellowship certificate was presented to Dr Feng by HRH The Duke of Edinburgh at this year's AGM.

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**May**

**2008**

**Congratulations to Dr Shaojun Feng for his promotion to Research Fellow (Level C), and for being elected Fellow of the Royal Institute of Navigation.** These successes are in recognition of his sustained distinguished contribution to research in satellite positioning and navigation.

**Congratulations to Piyapong "Joey" Jiwattanakulpaisarn who successfully defended his PhD dissertation on the 1st of May.** His dissertation was entitled "The Impact of Transport Infrastructure Investment on Regional Employment: An Empirical Investigation" which was supervised by Bob Noland, Daniel Graham and John Polak. Joey will be working on various research projects at CTS over the next few months before returning to Thailand.

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**April**

**2008**

**Professor Stephen Glaister CBE has been appointed as the new Director of the Royal Automobile Club Foundation.** Professor Glaister will lead the development of the Foundation's policy and research programmes and be the Foundation's principal spokesman. Commenting on the appointment, RAC Foundation Chairman David Holmes said: "We are delighted that we have secured someone of Stephen Glaister's recognised distinction to be our new Director. This appointment will strengthen our reputation as an authoritative and independent contributor to the transport debate. Besides being one of the leading transport economists in the country, Stephen is an accomplished communicator on radio, TV and the press." Professor Glaister will continue to hold the position of Professor in the Centre for Transport Studies, where he is Director of the Railway and Transport Strategy Centre.

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**February**

**2008**

**Congratulations to Rajesh Krishnan who successfully defended his PhD dissertation on 26 February.** His research was entitled "Travel Time Estimation and Forecasting on Urban Networks" and was supervised by Prof. John Polak and Prof. Washington Ochieng. Rajesh will continue his research at CTS as a post-doc, working on the Freeflow project.

**Congratulations to Tamara Pejovic who successfully defended her PhD dissertation.** This was entitled "Implications of Climate Change for the Aviation Sector" and was supervised by Bob Noland and Ralf Toumi from the Dept. of Physics, with the assistance of Dr. Victoria Williams. Tamara is currently employed as a consultant with Helios, Ltd.

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**January 2008**

**Congratulations to Mr Rajesh Krishnan who has won the Smeed Prize at the 40th UTSG Annual Conference for his paper entitled "A Deductive Travel Time Estimation Method for Signalised Corridors using Single Loop Detector Data", based on his PhD research.** The Smeed Prize is awarded to "recognise the best student paper and presentation at each annual conference of the UTSG". This is the second time in 3 years that a CTS research student has won the prize -- Jan-Dirk Schmöcker won in January 2006.

**An article in the 9 January 2008 edition of the New York Times covering proposals to restructure New Jersey's toll road agencies featured analysis from CTS researcher Scott Le Vine.** Referring to plans to quintuple the toll schedule over the next 15 years, extend tolling onto a section of NJ Route 440, and create a new public benefit corporation to manage the state's portfolio of toll facilities, he said "It lets them start tabula rasa with this new organization." The full article can be accessed at: <http://www.nytimes.com/2008/01/09/nyregion/09toll.html>

**Congratulations to Tzu-Chang "Joe" Lee who successfully defended his PhD dissertation on 9 January.** His research was entitled "An Agent-Based Model to Simulate Motorcycle Behaviour in Mixed Traffic Flow" and was supervised by Prof. John Polak and Prof. Michael Bell. Joe will continue his research at CTS as a post-doc, working on the Freeflow project.