It's a Cargo Match! ...

Attaining waste-free and effective freight transport systems by seamlessly matching demand and supply with inclusive, smart, and green-oriented booking platforms



Contrasting the Reverse Modal Shift to trucking

Status AS-IS

Definition of the problems



Expanding market uncontrolled transition towards a more effective rather than efficient system

the demand
for the usage
of flexible modes
of transport with small
capacity, requiring
more space for
handling

Solutions FMaaS

Transport Transport

Demand Operators

Platform

The lack of a Spot Market

The lack of visibility and synchronisation among the players of the supply chain fuels mistrust in choosing other means of transport

- + Co2 Emissions
- + Logistics Costs
- + Infrastructures
- + Congestion
- Efficiency

Problem

Reverse modal shift

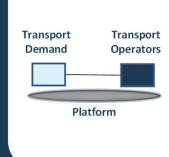
FMaaS as a solution to boost efficiency for interconnected and intermodal transport looking for solutions in real-time

Interconnecting demand and supply in freight transport with an inclusive booking platform as a "Value Proposition" for FMaaS

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- Long term
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- Developing a solid legal framework that tackles risk distribution, the liability of the service, the balance of interests;
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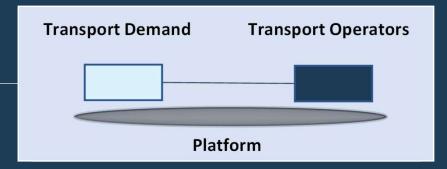
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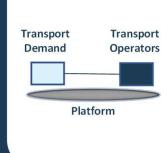
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