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Transport Ministers' Conference supports Hamburg's bid to host the ITS World Congress 2021

During the spring conference on 27 and 28 April in Hamburg, all transport ministers of the 16 states in Germany as well as the German Federal Minister have expressed their support for the cities' application to host the ITS World Congress in the year 2021. The unanimous resolution states: "The Transport Ministers' Conference is convinced that organising the congress in Hamburg will provide a great opportunity for further developing digitalisation within the transport sector in the next four years. It will strengthen Germany's role as an industry and transport nation in Europe and worldwide." Hamburg submitted its application to the European ITS-organisation ERTICO in Brussels on 10 March. The city will be present during the ITS European Congress in Strasbourg (19 to 22 June) with a booth and will organise a stand reception on 21 June, the so-called "Hamburg-Evening". Frank Horch, Hamburg's Senator of Economy, Transport and Innovation, will also attend the Mayors' summit in Strasbourg to present the cities' ITS-strategy and discuss latest ITS developments. „Transport and mobility will definitely change in a more digitalized world which significantly challenges metropolises. It is essential to meet early these challenges. The digital change and the employment of digital technologies will play a key role in this process“, underscored Senator Horch.

The world's largest ITS congress is planned to be hosted by the City of Hamburg in cooperation with the Federal Ministry of Transport and Digital Infrastructure. It is supposed to take place from 11-15 October 2021 in the refurbished Congress Centre Hamburg (CCH) and trade fair halls. Thanks to more than 100 commitments of support from industry, research and associations, the application gains additional national momentum. By launching a test field of future mobility solutions, Hamburg aims to make urban mobility more reliable and safer in partnership with experts from business and the scientific community. An international committee will officially announce whether Hamburg is selected as host during this year's World Congress in Montreal in October this year.

Further information on www.its2021.hamburg.

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