

and the scope and content of the environmental information germane to the agency's statutory responsibilities relevant to the proposed project. Public agencies are requested to advise FRA if they anticipate taking a major action in connection with the proposed project and if they wish to cooperate in the preparation of the Project EIR/EIS. Public scoping meetings have been scheduled and are an important component of the scoping process for both the State and Federal environmental review. The scoping meetings described in this Notice will also be the subject of additional public notification.

FRA is seeking participation and input of all interested federal, state, and local agencies, Native American groups, and other concerned private organizations or individuals on the scope of the EIR/EIS. Implementation of the Palmdale to Bakersfield section of the HST system is a federal undertaking with the potential to affect historic properties. As such, it is subject to the requirements of Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966 (16 U.S.C. 470f). In accordance with regulations issued by the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation, 36 CFR part 800, FRA intends to coordinate compliance with Section 106 of this Act with the preparation of the EIR/EIS, beginning with the identification of consulting parties through the scoping process, in a manner consistent with the standards set out in 36 CFR 800.8.

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Mark E. Yachmetz,

Associate Administrator for Railroad Development, Federal Railroad Administration.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Aviation Administration

Twelfth Joint Meeting, RTCA Special Committee 205/EUROCAE WG 71: Software Considerations in Aeronautical Systems

AGENCY: Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), DOT.

ACTION: Notice of RTCA Special Committee 205/EUROCAE WG 71: Software Considerations in Aeronautical Systems meeting.

SUMMARY: The FAA is issuing this notice to advise the public of a meeting of RTCA Special Committee 205/

EUROCAE WG 71: Software Considerations in Aeronautical Systems.

DATES: The meeting will be held October 26–30, 2009, from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. (variable—see daily schedule). Pre-registration Requirements: If you are planning on attending this meeting we would appreciate you providing pre-registration information.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held at Télécom ParisTech, 46 rue Barrault 75013 Paris, France.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: (1) RTCA Secretariat, 1828 L Street, NW., Suite 805, Washington, DC 20036; telephone (202) 833-9339; fax (202) 833-9434; Web site <http://www.rtca.org>; (2) Hotel Front Desk: (602) 273-7778; fax (602) 275-5616;

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Pursuant to section 10(a)(2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92-463, 5 U.S.C., Appendix 2), notice is hereby given for a Special Committee 205: EUROCAE WG 71: Software Considerations in Aeronautical Systems meeting.

The agenda will include:

Day 1—Monday, October 26

- 08:30 a.m.—Chair's Introductory Remarks;
- 09:00 a.m.—Review of Meeting Agenda and Agreement of Previous Minutes;
- 09:30 a.m.—Reports of Sub-Group Activity;
- 10:00 a.m.—Other Committee/Other Documents Interfacing Personnel Reports (CAST, Unmanned Aircraft Systems, Security, WG-63/SAE S-18);
- 10:45 a.m.—Sub-Group Break Out Sessions.

New Member Introduction Session

- 10:45 a.m.—All new committee members are invited to attend an introduction session to explain the operation of the committee, the various sub-groups and the topics they are dealing with and the Web site.
- 13:15 p.m.—Sub-Group Break Out Sessions;
- 15:15 p.m.—Plenary Session: Text Acceptance (for papers posted, commented on and reworked prior to Plenary).

Day 2—Tuesday, October 27

- 08:30 a.m.—Sub-Group Break Out Sessions;
- 12:30 p.m.—*Milestone: IP submittals due for Wednesday Plenary;*
- 13:30 p.m.—Sub-Group Break Out Sessions;
- 15:00 p.m.—Mandatory Paper Reading Session.

Day 3—Wednesday, October 28

- 08:30 a.m.—IP Comment Reply & Sub-Group Break Out Sessions (focused on finalizing any changes to papers being presented later in the morning);
- 10:30 a.m.—Plenary Text Acceptance (for papers posted, commented on and reworked prior to Plenary);
- 13:30 p.m.—Sub-Group Break Out Sessions;
- 14:45 p.m.—Break;
- 15:00 p.m.—Sub-Group Break Out Sessions.

Day 4—Thursday, October 29

- 08:30 a.m.—Sub-Group Break Out Sessions;
- 12:30 p.m.—*Milestone: IP submittals due for Friday Plenary;*
- 13:30 p.m.—Plenary Session;
- 15:00 p.m.—Mandatory Paper Reading Session.

Day 5—Friday, October 30

- 08:00 a.m.—IP Comment Reply & Sub-Group Break Out Sessions (focused on finalizing any changes to papers being presented during the morning);
- 10:00 a.m.—Plenary Text Approval (reworked and late posted papers—with late posted papers only being accepted if (a) the changes are very minor in nature, and (b) adequate time has been allowed for the review of the papers);
- 12:00 p.m.—SG1: SCWG Document Integration Sub-Group Report;
- 12:05 p.m.—SG2: Issue & Rationale Sub-Group Report;
- 12:10 p.m.—SG3: Tool Qualification Sub-Group Report;
- 12:15 p.m.—SG4: Model Based Design & Verification Sub-Group Report;
- 12:20 p.m.—SG5: Object Oriented Technology Sub-Group Report;
- 12:25 p.m.—SG6: Formal Methods Sub-Group Report;
- 12:30 p.m.—SG7: Special Considerations Sub-Group Report;
- 12:35 p.m.—Next Meeting Information;
- 12:40 p.m.—Any Other Business, Closing Remarks & Meeting Adjourned;
- 12:45 p.m.—Meeting Evaluation (Round Robin).

Attendance is open to the interested public but limited to space availability. With the approval of the chairmen, members of the public may present oral statements at the meeting. Persons wishing to present statements or obtain information should contact the person listed in the **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** section. Members of the public may present a written statement to the committee at any time.

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Francisco Estrada C.,

RTCA Advisory Committee.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Research and Innovative Technology Administration

Distracted Driving Summit; Notice

AGENCY: Research and Innovative Technology Administration, DOT.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The U.S. Department of Transportation is providing notice that it intends to hold a Distracted Driving Summit (The Summit) to exchange information and ideas on the best possible methods to reduce the number of crashes and deaths due to distracted driving.

Meeting Dates: September 30 and October 1, 2009.

ADDRESSES: The Summit will be held at Renaissance Hotel in Washington, DC. The Department welcomes comments or questions prior to and during the Summit. If you would like to submit a comment or question prior to the Summit, you may submit comments/questions identified by DOT Docket ID Number RITA 2009-0003 by any of the following methods:

- *Federal eRulemaking Portal:* Go to <http://www.regulations.gov>. Follow the online instructions for submitting comments.

- *Mail:* Docket Management Facility: U.S. Department of Transportation, 1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE., West Building Ground Floor, Room W12-140, Washington, DC 20590-0001.

- *Hand Delivery or Courier:* West Building Ground Floor, Room W12-140, 1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE. between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m. ET, Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays.

- *Fax:* 202-493-2251

Instructions: Identify docket number, RITA 2009-0003, at the beginning of your comments. To receive confirmation that DOT received your comments, include a self-addressed stamped postcard. Internet users may access all comments received by DOT at <http://www.regulations.gov>. All comments/questions will be posted electronically without charge or edits, including any personal information provided.

Privacy Act: Anyone is able to search the electronic form of all comments/questions filed in our dockets by the name of the individual submitting the

comment or question (or signing the comment, if submitted on behalf of an association, corporation, business entity, labor union, etc.). You may review DOT's complete Privacy Act Statement in the **Federal Register** published on April 11, 2000 (65 FR 19477-78) or you may visit <http://DocketInfo.dot.gov>.

Docket: For access to the docket to read background documents or comments received, go to <http://www.regulations.gov> or the street address listed above. Follow the online instructions for accessing the dockets.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Kelly Leone, Office of Research, Development and Technology, RDT-10, Research and Innovative Technology Administration, Telephone Number (202) 366-5459, Fax Number (202) 366-3671 or e-mail—Kelly.Leone@dot.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

The Summit will bring together senior transportation officials, elected officials, safety advocates, law enforcement representatives, private sector representatives and academics to address a range of issues related to reducing accidents through enforcement, public awareness and education. Authoritative speakers from around the nation will lead interactive panel discussions on a number of key topics including the extent and impact of distracted driving, current research, regulations and best practices.

Participants will also examine distractions caused by current and planned automotive devices, such as navigational systems. The summit's second day will include a panel of state and local officials to discuss possible solutions from the state and local perspectives.

The U.S. Department of Transportation is committed to providing equal access to this Summit. Based on limited seating and to accommodate the strong interest outside the Washington area, the Summit will be available live by webcast and members of the public will be given the opportunity to submit questions or comments online for each individual panel discussion. The Department has also created a Web site to provide information and updates on the Summit as details become available: http://www.rita.dot.gov/distracted_driving_summit/. If you need alternative formats or services because of a disability, please contact Kelly Leone with your specific request by September 23, 2009.

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Peter H. Appel,

Administrator.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

National Highway Traffic Safety Administration

Announcing the Eighteenth Public Meeting of the Crash Injury Research and Engineering Network (CIREN)

AGENCY: National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA), DOT.

ACTION: Meeting Announcement.

SUMMARY: This notice announces the Eighteenth Public Meeting of members of the Crash Injury Research and Engineering Network. CIREN is a collaborative effort to conduct research on crashes and injuries at eight Level 1 Trauma Centers across the United States linked by a computer network. Researchers can review data and share expertise, which may lead to a better understanding of crash injury mechanisms and the design of safer vehicles. The eight centers will give presentations on current research based on CIREN data. The agenda will be posted to the CIREN Web site that can be accessed by going to the NHTSA homepage <http://www.nhtsa.dot.gov/>, click on Vehicle Safety Research on the right side of the top toolbar, then click on Crash Injury Research and Engineering Network (CIREN) in the box on the left. The agenda will be posted two weeks prior to the meeting.

Date and Time: The meeting is scheduled from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Thursday, October 8, 2009.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held at: University of Maryland/National Study Center, 110 South Paca Street, Learning Center, Baltimore, MD 21201.

To Register for This Event: It is not necessary to pre-register, but attendees are strongly encouraged to do so to expedite the security process for entry to the meeting facility. Please send your name, affiliation, phone number and e-mail address to cburch@som.umaryland.edu (or call 410-328-2683) by Wednesday, September 30, 2009, in order to have your name added to the pre-registration list. Everyone must have a government-issued photo identification to be admitted to the facility.

For General Information: Rodney Rudd (202) 366-5932, Mark Scarboro (202) 366-5078 or Cathy McCullough (202) 366-4734.