

Security and Privacy in i-Tour

The social networking aspects of i-Tour are designed with the control of user privacy in the hands of the user. The core model adopted is to use a consent driven recommender system that develops trusted groups willing to accept shared data.

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Scope and purpose of the i-Tour project

The i-Tour project aims to take the every evolving services that promote multi-modal transport and offer them to the transport user in a way that allows them to have greater say through their preferences in how the transport options will be supplied to them.

i-Tour will then allow transport users to control some parts of the impact on the EU citizen's lives across for example for safety, congestion and environmental responsibility.

1. Safety, as 40,000+ people die on Europe roads each year with a cost for the European economy of approx. 200B€ p.a.





2. Efficiency, Congestion costs an estimated in 1% of EU total GDP or 100B€ p.a. and i-Tour will provide transport users greater information about the level of congestion on their journey to allow them to maximise the efficient use of time on that journey.

In addition i-Tour offers a significant degree of social co-operative planning for transport by allowing users to share experiences and recommendations with each other.

This social interaction for transport efficiency has the potential to bring a revolution in transport efficiency.

3. Environmental sustainability, as transport accounts for 30% of total energy consumption in the EU, with the vast majority being consumed by road transport.

i-Tour's route optimisation model takes into account parameters accounting for personal use of public transport including travel times, costs, preferred transport means, number of modality changes, pollution minimisation, real-time public transport load, weather conditions.

As for the impact on efficiency i-Tour allows sharing and recommending transport modes through models of social networking infrastructure.

