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Franz Hlava works with the Austrian Tolling Service Operator ASFINAG Maut Service GmbH, a subsidiary of the Austrian Highway operator ASFINAG, since 2005. As Project Manager for Interoperability he is involved in the development and operation of interoperable services in the field of electronic tolling, e.g.: TOLL2GO (a service run jointly by ASFINAG and Toll Collect, the German toll system operator) and EasyGo+ (Interoperability between Scandinavia and Austria). Within European interoperability initiatives he worked in the CESAR IV Project; currently he is team-member in the REETS project (WP4 – Back Office Interfaces).

Title of the lecture:
From Scandinavia to Austria with EasyGo+

Abstract: (goals, methods, results and conclusion of the contribution; max. 1 page/1800 symbols)
In 2008 first discussions between the EasyGo partners (A/S Storebaelt, Öresundsbro Konsortiet, Transportstyrelsen, Norwegian Public Roads Administration) and ASFINAG started with the aim of realizing interoperability between Austria and Scandinavia. After a feasibility study in 2009 showed, that there are no major obstacles to be expected, discussions became more concrete and ASFINAG joined the EasyGo Consortium in 2011 in order to introduce a one-contract interoperability solution for heavy goods vehicles both in Austria and the existing EasyGo toll domains (DK, SE, NO).

The service to be established shall give drivers of heavy goods vehicles with 3.5 tons or more the possibility to only use one DSRC-OBU (according to EN 15509), having one contract (which further results in only one batch of invoices, which may be paid together in one local currency) for driving in all 4 countries. One goal from the beginning was that this contractual interoperability is in line with the EETS requirements according to the EETS Decision 2009/750/EC to show how interoperability according to EETS rules can work.
Currently implementation of this new service called „EasyGo+“ is almost finished and lot’s of challenges in legal, commercial (e.g. invoicing in different currencies and VAT regimes), procedural (e.g. implementation of Toll Charger Role and Service Provider Role according to EETS) and technical (e.g. system upgrades, suitability for use tests, quality parameters) respect have been coped with.

The presentation gives a brief overview about the results and lessons learned as well as the experiences gained during the implementation of EasyGO+.

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