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FRODDO Consortium Meets in Porto to Accelerate the Future of Safe, Smart and Resilient Mobility

The **FRODDO** consortium successfully held its 4th General Assembly on **3–4 June 2026 in Porto**, Portugal, hosted by **INESC TEC**. Bringing together **all project organizations**, the two-day meeting provided an important opportunity to review the project's progress, strengthen collaboration, and coordinate the next steps towards developing innovative solutions for **Connected, Cooperative and Automated Mobility (CCAM)**.



The meeting brought together technical experts, researchers, pilot leaders and communication specialists to discuss achievements across all project work packages and ensure the continued alignment of FRODDO's research, innovation and demonstration activities.

Reviewing Progress Across the Project

The first day of the General Assembly focused on the progress achieved during the first half of the project. Partners reviewed activities related to project management, cooperation frameworks, technical innovations, pilot demonstrations and dissemination and impact creation. Special attention was given to the four large-scale pilot sites in **Ljubljana, Athens, Modena** and **Bursa**, where partners presented recent developments, implementation progress and upcoming validation activities.

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The discussions highlighted the strong collaboration across the consortium and demonstrated how the different technical components are gradually converging towards an integrated CCAM ecosystem capable of supporting safer and more resilient transport services.

Advancing FRODDO's technical vision

The second day focused on the project's technological foundations, with dedicated sessions on **Federated Digital Twins for Road Transport**, as well as topics related to **acceptability, standardisation, legal aspects** and **data security**. These discussions reinforced the importance of combining technological innovation with interoperability, trust and regulatory compliance to ensure the successful deployment of future automated mobility solutions.

The meeting concluded with an open discussion on upcoming milestones, ensuring all partners remain aligned as the project moves into its next implementation phase.

Valuable strategic insights from the Advisory Board

A highlight of this General Assembly was the participation of **Dr. Mario Monsreal** from the **Texas A&M Transportation Institute**, member of the **FRODDO Advisory Board**.

Drawing on his extensive international expertise in logistics, transportation and supply chain management, Dr. Monsreal provided valuable strategic feedback and constructive recommendations throughout the meeting.

His contributions offered an external perspective on the project's technical direction and future impact, supporting the consortium in refining its approach towards delivering innovative, scalable and sustainable mobility solutions.

The consortium sincerely thanks Dr. Monsreal for his continued engagement and valuable support.



Strengthening collaboration for the road ahead

Beyond the technical sessions, the General Assembly provided an excellent opportunity for partners to exchange ideas, strengthen cooperation and reinforce the collaborative spirit that underpins the FRODDO project. Face-to-face discussions enabled the consortium to address challenges, identify new opportunities and prepare for the next phase of technical development and pilot validation.

The successful meeting reaffirmed the consortium's shared commitment to advancing research and innovation that will contribute to safer, smarter and more resilient transport systems across Europe.

Looking ahead

Following the successful General Assembly in Porto, FRODDO will continue advancing its research activities, expanding pilot demonstrations and engaging with the wider European CCAM ecosystem through technical collaborations, dissemination activities and stakeholder engagement.

By combining **Digital Twins, Artificial Intelligence, advanced sensing technologies, connected infrastructure and real-world pilot demonstrations**, FRODDO is paving the way for the next generation of Connected, Cooperative and Automated Mobility solutions.



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