An intense workshop is being planned and the schedule (please, find the programme in the last page of the newsletter) will see a mix of academic and more practical presentations, with a final multiplayer event focussed on project dissemination, in order to address both the decision making and the system logistic pillar of the project, and to provide an innovative approach with the synergy of industry, academia, and local authorities. For more details, see last page of this newsletter!
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"Undertaking the secondment to Stockholms Stad has been a fantastic opportunity to explore the innovative solutions to city logistics problems Stockholm are currently working on – reported James - I have gained an insight into how the council engage with stakeholders in order to bring about a more sustainable and profitable solution for all involved. It has also enabled me to expand my own research to include Stockholm so as to build a more comprehensive picture of how local authority measures can facilitate electric vehicle adoption."

ProSFeT @ Stockholms Stad

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Shucheng Luo PhD Studies

Congratulations! More good news from the ProSFeT community! Shucheng Luo, a Doctoral Student at the University of Sheffield, who has been involved in the ProSFeT project starting from the early months, has passed his confirmation review exam.

Shucheng’s PhD work is deeply related to ProSFeT themes; he is indeed dealing with mathematical models for evaluating the performances of Urban Consolidation Centres and maximising stakeholders participation in these facilities. Shucheng will be involved in future ProSFeT activities, liaising with both local authorities and industrial partners for testing his developments.

Secondments

The end of the first year of the project has seen a number of secondments taking place: Andrea Serena, Alessandro Crimi, and James Jones are visiting respectively Softeco Sismat, Bradford City Council, and Stockholm Stad.

This project has received funding from the European Union’s Horizon 2020 research and innovation programme under the Marie Skłodowska-Curie grant agreement No 734909.
Alessandro Crimi, from the National Research Council of Italy, has joined the City of Bradford Metropolitan District Council (CBMDC) for a secondment within the ProSFeT project. Working in collaboration with Tom Jones (Senior Transport Planner at Bradford), Alessandro will be transferring innovative approaches from Decision Sciences to some Council practical challenges, with the scientific supervision of Antonino Sgalambro.

In particular, Alessandro will deal with the optimal location of parking facilities for freight transport vehicles in the City's territory.

“Here at Softeco Sismat I have found a group of enthusiastic and supportive people.” – says Andrea – “Collaborating with Marco Gorini, Marco Boero and Alessandro Barisoni, whose advice and positive attitude have been fundamental to start this experience in the best way possible, I am currently analysing Softeco Sismat urban logistics software, working towards the identification of potential improvements and the evaluation of possible additions to the software. I am sure that the following months will be extremely fruitful!”
ProSFeT International Workshop on Policy and Decision-Making Approaches for Sustainable Urban Freight Transport

13th - 15th June 2018
Sheffield University Management School
Sheffield, UK

Programme

Wednesday 13th June: Sharing Good Practices from European Local Authorities
Speakers: Representatives from Sheffield, Bradford and Stockholm City Councils
(plus additional LAs to be confirmed)

Thursday 14th June: The need for Stakeholders Engagement in Urban Logistics
Speaker: Dr Erica Ballantyne
University of Sheffield, UK

Reverse Logistics in Urban Contexts: Current Challenges
Speaker: Dr Sergio Rubio
University of Extremadura, Badajoz, Spain

Hazardous Materials Logistics in Urban Contexts
Speaker: Dr Ted Saarikko
University of Gothenburg, Gothenburg, Sweden

Friday 15th June: Software Demonstrations
Speakers: Marco Gorini - Softeco Sismat, Genoa, Italy
Carlos Oliveira - Shaping Cloud, Manchester, UK