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# WELCOME



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We also had the honour to attend the kick-off event for Transportes Calsina y Carré's CEF-funded project to build a new safe and secure parking area as well as for the launch of their project Calsina Carré Services, of which you can read more in the magazine.

We are very proud of ESPORG member Truck Park Brescia in France for their GOLD certification according to the EU-Parking Standard. ESPORG encourages its members to follow Truck Etape Valenciennes' example and certify their safe and secure parking areas—this is the only way to ensure the implementation of the Standard across Europe, so that drivers have access to the comfort and rest they deserve.

ESPOrg also wants to congratulate member Hauptstein on the opening of their new XXLKW secure truck parking area in Germany, which will certify at the Gold-level of the EU-Parking Standard next year.

Don't forget to apply for the European Excellence in Truck Parking Award 2023!

The deadline for applications is early next year. This award is to identify the best excellence in truck parking areas in Europe and acknowledge the dedication to the wellbeing and safety of drivers as well as setting an example of good practices in the industry.

Finally, make sure you read our 'ESPOrg News' section so you can attend all the upcoming fairs, workshops and webinars and learn from any initiatives or courses we will be planning.

We wish all our readers Happy Holidays and a wonderful New Year!

Best wishes,

Dirk Penasse

Dear Members and Friends of ESPORG,

Welcome to the December edition of INTRANSIT!

As we move towards the end of the year, I want to reflect on some accomplishments achieved this year: the creation of the E-Parking Task Force in our efforts to gather good practices and information to push for alternative fuel energy options and infrastructure, the certification of several ESPORG members according to the EU-Parking Standard, the completion of CEF projects to build or upgrade certified safe and secure parking areas, the first ever recipient of the ESPORG European Excellence in Truck Parking Award, the ongoing applications and implementation of CEF-funded projects, several successful workshops, webinars, and events, the launch of new courses in multiple languages via the EU Parking Academy. We also saw the Delegated Regulation come into effect in April of this year, with the objective to create a healthier, safer, more secure environment for drivers.

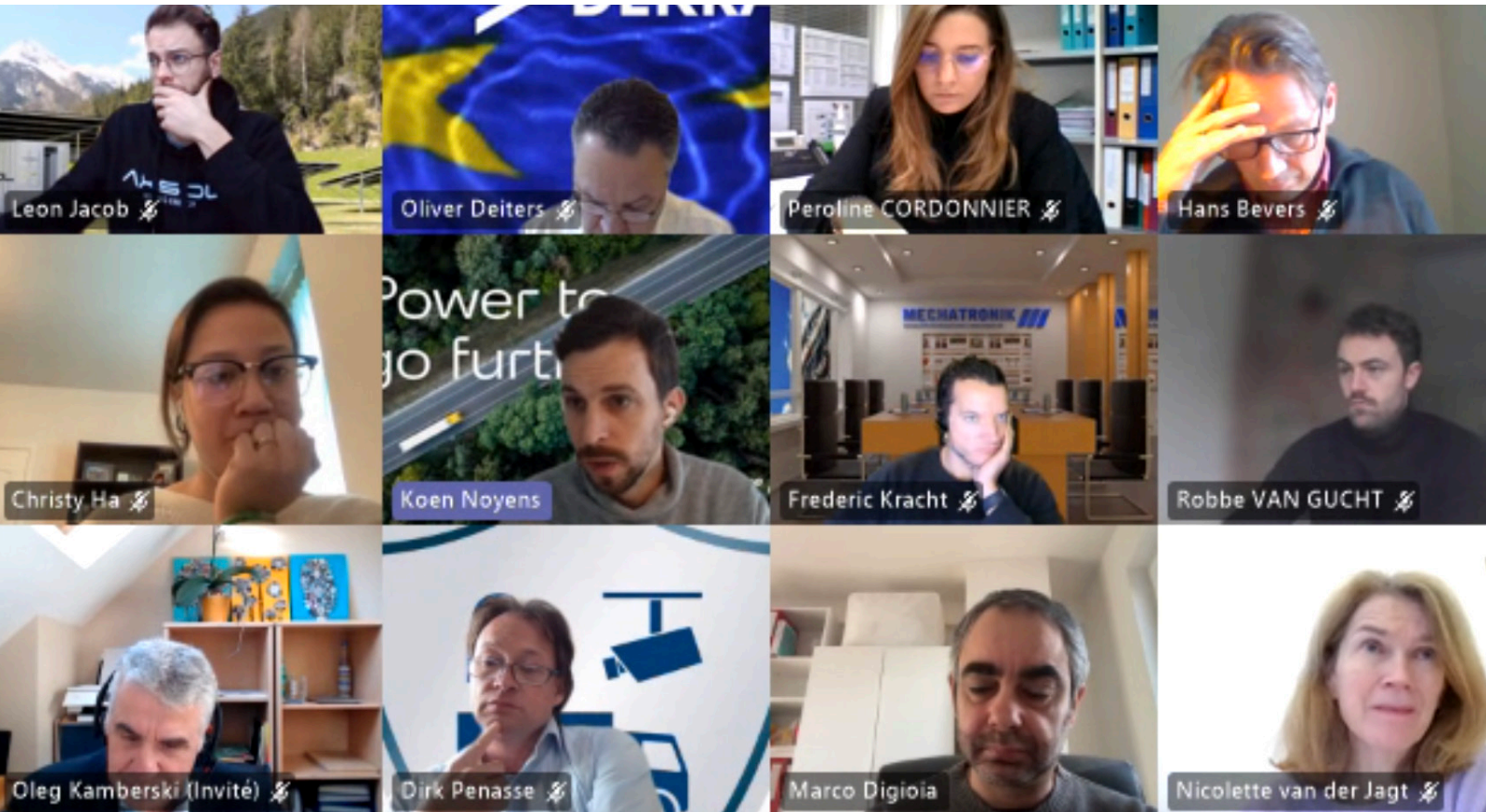
I could not be more proud of the European Secure Parking Organisation and our dedicated members and network of partners. Thanks to all of you for a wonderful year—I can't wait to see what we will achieve together next year!

Now, on to this edition of INTRANSIT--

This month we are featuring one of our new associated members, Milence, and their initiative to create the first public charging network in Europe.

# THE E-PARKING TASK FORCE

The E-Parking Task Force met in December to discuss updates on revisions to the Ten-T Regulation as well as long haul heavy duty vehicle charging infrastructure in Europe. Carlo Giro of the IRU presented as well as Koen Nuyens from Milence.



# HAUPTSTEIN OPENS XXLKW SECURE TRUCK PARKING AREA



Hauptstein ImmoBau GmbH officially opened the XXLKW truck parking area on December 1, 2022, in a “soft opening”. With this soft opening, 107 parking spaces are currently available and in the coming months, the parking area will gradually make all the services they have planned available for customers. Eventually, 350 parking spaces will be open to customers.

The secure truck parking lot is 800 meters from the Vockerode motorway exit in Saxony-Anhalt (A9 Munich – Berlin). The location is quiet and yet close to the motorway.



## XXLKW

Secure Parking  
Elbebrücke

The XXLKW offers truck parking at the highest level:

- New and clean social rooms in sufficient numbers with multiple daily cleaning
- Comfortable and modern lounges with TV and enough sockets to charge electrical devices
- Cooking and washing-up facilities
- Separate spaces and sanitary facilities for women
- Laundry services
- 24/7 market with snacks
- Many payment options (Snap, Telecash, DKV, UTA...)
- Fast, free WiFi throughout the entire site
- 24/7 security through video surveillance and on-site security
- Electric charging for refrigerated trailers and trucks



### Going for Gold

In addition, the XXLKW safe and secure truck parking area is currently in the process of certifying at the Gold level of the EU-Parking Standard—ensuring that the services and security on site are of the highest quality.



**XXLKW**-Features included:



24/7 CCTV Camera



Ladies Parking



Kitchen



Shower / WC



WiFi



Trucker Lounge



### For more information:

Please visit their site at <https://www.xxlkw-parking.de>.

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**CHRISTMAS SPECIAL**  
 15.12.22 - 15.01.23  
 12 € / day\*  
 (parking only)

# TRUCK ETAPE VALENCIENNES IS GOLD



**EU PARKING STANDARD  
CERTIFICATE**

DEKRA hereby certifies that the truck parking area (TPA)

**Truck Etape Valenciennes**

**France**  
50.3512; 3.4842

has met the requirements of the EU-Parking Standard and is classified in the category

**GOLD**



**EU PARKING**

The audit was conducted by DEKRA Assurance Services GmbH  
Certificate No.: DE 0001 FR 000019 F  
This certificate is valid from 17/10/2022 to 17/10/2025  
This certification is only valid only for the indicated validity period in line with the provisions of the EU-Parking Standard. Validity is subject to quality and re-auditing requirements as prescribed by the EU-parking standard. For the avoidance of doubt, the validity period can be retrieved at <http://www.eu-parking.eu>

Audited by  
Peter Paul Ruschin  
24/05/2022

DEKRA Assurance Services GmbH

Further information on the EU-Parking standard are available at [www.eu-parking.eu](http://www.eu-parking.eu)

Truck Etape Valenciennes has certified their safe and secure truck parking area at the Gold-level of the EU-Parking Standard! Congratulations! ESPORG is proud to have them as a member and for their dedication to security, safety, and services for truck drivers.



## Learn more about the **GOLD-level safe and secure truck parking area here:**

Truck Etape Valenciennes is located along the A2 highway in France with 300 spots dedicated to heavy goods vehicles and offers top-of-the-line services available to truck drivers, with a wide range of options for safety and comfort:

- 2-meter high fences all around the perimeter equipped with anti-intrusion alarm system
- Night lighting
- Specific spots for hazardous materials and refrigerated trucks
- 24/7 CCTV with night vision
- Access control for trucks and pedestrians
- Continuous human presence with 24/7 security guards, including on weekends
- Compliant with the anti-“theft” requirements of insurance contracts
- Showers & toilets
- Laundry services
- Restaurant
- Relaxation area with TV
- Free Wi-Fi
- Driver services
  - o Gas station
  - o Small Maintenance
  - o Satellic Booth for OBU Belgium
  - o Washing Station (LPLV)
  - o Storage area available for trailer uncoupling
  - o Truck Driver information (maps, delivery locations, etc.)
- Sport Area
  - o Outdoor options
  - o Race Track
  - o Machines



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## CALSINA CARRÉ HOSTS SUCCESSFUL KICK-OFF AND LAUNCH

On December 12, 2022, Calsina Carré hosted a successful kick-off event at their site in Pont de Molins to officially launch their multi-million CEF-funded project to build a safe and secure parking area as well as celebrate the Calsina Carré Services Project. They invited several important stakeholders. Speakers included Josep Maria Carré, one of the owners of Calsina Carré; Pau Presas, the Vice President of the Diputació de Girona; Albert Bramón, the Sub-Delegate of the Spanish Government in Girona; Josep Fuentes, the Mayor of Pont du Molins; and Roger Torrent, the Councilor of Enterprise and Labor. In addition, ESPORG General Manager Dirk Pennasse, along with several other representatives of invested stakeholders, participated in the round table event titled “The Role of Parking in the Future of Mobility.” Congratulations, Calsina Carré!

To learn more about their project, read their press release below:

**Calsina Carré invests 25 million euros to create a parking lot for 400 trucks in Pont de Molins**

**The Calsina Carré Services project aims to be a benchmark for hauliers in a 95.000 square meter area.**

**In its 50th birthday year, the company launches a pioneering service equipped with modules, snack vending, showers, laundry room, luggage office, rest area and 24/7 video surveillance.**

**Pont de Molins, December 12, 2022** - The family-owned multinational Calsina Carré has created Calsina Carré Services to offer a parking lot for 400 trucks at its headquarters in Pont de Molins (Alt Empordà) and become a benchmark for external hauliers and drivers. In the year of its 50th birthday, the Catalan company promotes Services, with an investment of 25 million euros to be made between 2022 and 2027, to offer an innovative and quality service to carriers, with equipment such as: lockers, video surveillance, showers and toilets, laundry, rest area, wifi connection, vending machines and its own gas station.

In total, there are now 400 parking spaces in a space of 95,000 square meters and the forecast is to expand by 200 more spaces in 2023, more





than 100 spaces in 2025 and 120 more in 2027. In total, by 2027 there will be more than 800 parking spaces on 150,000 square meters. The company's management believes that its knowledge of the sector as a fleet operator brings a lot of value to the challenge of Services as a strategic center in the Mediterranean corridor, 15 kilometers from the French border and close to Vilamalla.

Calsina Carré Services is one of the largest parking lots for hauliers in the province of Girona. The 25 million investment will allow the company to be a reference beyond transport and logistics and to become in the future an operational base for external truckers and drivers. Both for those who want to enter Catalan and Spanish territory and those who want to go abroad due to the proximity to the border. "It is a very important and strategic commitment. It is an investment of 25 million to position Calsina Carré as a logistics hub of reference in the Mediterranean corridor, which contributes to dignify the conditions of carriers," said the general manager, Alba Carré, who has held the position for 5 years and is part of the third generation of the family.

Alba Carré considers that the future of Calsina Carré is based on the Services concept "to become one of the largest security parking lots for hauliers in Spain, and we will do so by offering a wide range of quality services for the driver and vehicle maintenance". In the future, Calsina Carré Services will also have a restaurant and a gymnasium in the same complex in Pont de Molins.

50 years of history of Calsina Carré

The family-owned multinational of reference in the transport sector, Calsina Carré, based in Pont de Molins, celebrates half a century of existence and activity and does so with the second and third generations leading the project and maintaining the same entrepreneurial spirit of its founders. The Girona-based company has a strong international presence after having sought new opportunities and diversified its investments. As a result, Calsina Carré has a turnover of more than 150 million euros, employs more than 700 workers, has a fleet of 1,000 vehicles and works with reference clients in sectors such as the automotive, chemical, industrial and food industries. To reach these figures, the company has followed a path based on the vocation of service and the will to expand its services. Within this framework of action, the company has opened several warehouses throughout Europe and the Maghreb. It also has offices in Barcelona, Valls, Venlo (Netherlands), Tunis (Tunis), Tangier (Morocco) and Pitești (Romania).



# MILENCE: DEDICATED TO MAKING THE FUTURE OF ROAD TRANSPORT FOSSIL-FREE

The European Secure Parking Organisation has welcomed a new associated member, Milence, to its network. ESPORG firmly believes in the mission of Milence and in their approach to supporting the transition to zero-emission heavy-duty vehicles in Europe. “We are always saying that we need to focus on alternative energy solutions, but the reality is that the market is slow-moving. Milence was needed five to ten years ago so that companies and drivers could have the charging solutions they need. I’m really happy that they are taking the initiative to offer practical solutions now so that drivers can safely and sustainably do their jobs,” says General Manager Dirk Penasse.

Take a moment to read more about what they do and how they are supporting sustainability in addition to driver safety:

## **About Milence:**

Milence is a joint venture formed by Volvo Group, Daimler Truck, and TRATON GROUP, which was established in 2022 and is dedicated to making the future of road transport fossil-free. With 500 million euros in initial funding, they aim to deliver sustainable energy for all battery-electric heavy-duty vehicles by rolling out a large-scale public charging network.

They will build and operate at least 1,700 public charge points in Europe by 2027. Milence will initially focus on charging locations in the Netherlands, Germany, France, Belgium, Spain, Italy, Norway, and Sweden. They will also build charging locations in the United Kingdom, Denmark, Poland, Austria, Czechia, Switzerland, and Portugal in the coming five years.

## **Building confidence in the market**

The network rollout strategy for Milence focuses on building confidence and enhancing trust in the market. Trucks have to be able to charge when they need to—which means reliable charge points which are available and functioning.

So how will Milence do this? This is their promise:

1. **Think ahead:**
  - Milence will always build charging locations so that they are in place before they are needed. To do this, they will focus on data, adapting to growth in the market.
  - They will focus on having chargers close to large transport hubs and along the most frequented highways, starting where battery electric trucks are expected to be deployed first.
2. **Build modularly.** Milence will begin with small sites which can then be expanded as demand grows.
3. **Be transparent:** to build up trust, Milence believes in transparency regarding their network rollout. This includes notifying the public about future locations as soon as they can in order to help transport companies take these locations into account as they plan the electrification of trucks.

## **Transforming the Industry**

Milence is looking at transforming the transport and logistics industry in a way that will protect drivers, conserve energy, and lower costs.

“With favourable EU regulations, lower costs of ownership, improved working conditions for truck drivers, and the rollout of a Europe-wide megawatt charging network, we expect battery-electric trucking to transform the road transport industry in the coming years,” says Anja van Niersen, CEO of Milence.

- Within two to four years, electric trucks will have a lower total cost of ownership (TCO) than diesel trucks for a broad range of transports, including long haulage.
- To improve driver working conditions, Milence will ensure that charging sites are safe, secure, and offer facilities and services suited to drivers’ needs. These

include clean sanitation facilities, food and beverage services, recreation facilities and a high level of security.

- In the current energy transition, it is important to use the available energy as efficiently as possible. Furthermore, on-site batteries at charging stations will enable trucks to utilise stored green energy, decreasing peak energy demand. In this way Milence can reduce electrical grid congestion, balancing the demand and offering a pragmatic solution for the current grid congestion in many countries.
- While the current charging standard (CCS) already enables some heavy-duty trucks to fully charge in under 90 minutes, the new Megawatt Charging System (MCS) which Milence will utilize will make it possible to charge a 40-tonne truck in 30-45 minutes while drivers take their mandatory break.

You can learn more about Milence by visiting their website at <https://milence.com>. Anyone interested in collaborating with or learning more about Milence can contact Roel Visser, Executive Director Growth at [roel.vissers@milence.com](mailto:roel.vissers@milence.com).

### Save the date!

Mark your calendars! ESPORG is organizing a workshop with Milence on January 25, 2023, from 10 AM- 12 PM CET. Anyone interested in participating can contact [christy.ha@esporg.eu](mailto:christy.ha@esporg.eu).



The text under the heading "Transforming the Industry" was taken directly from Milence's website: <https://milence.com/news/milence-accelerates-europes-shift/>

An advertisement for the EU Parking Academy. The background is dark blue with a faint image of a truck. On the left, there is a logo for "EU PARKING ACADEMY" featuring a graduation cap and a book. Below the logo is a graphic of a laptop, books, and a graduation cap. The main text reads "The Academy for truck parking experts". Below this, it says "Choose from a variety of courses by experienced trainers." and "The Academy is your partner for training in the field of secure truck parking and... This is a unique concept in Europe." On the right, there is a yellow box with the text "ARE YOU READY TO TRAIN ONLINE?" and "Interested in taking a course? Let us know by sending an e-mail to [christy.ha@esporg.eu](mailto:christy.ha@esporg.eu)." At the bottom left, there is a URL: <https://courses.parkingacademy.eu>

## Milence and ESPORG Workshop

On Wednesday, January 25th, 2023, ESPORG is organizing a workshop with associated partner Milence on the topic of Long Haul Heavy Duty Vehicle Charging Infrastructure. To register for the workshop, please use the following link: <https://www.esporg.eu/register-workshop/>.

## 2023 European Excellence in Truck Parking Award

Don't forget to apply for ESPORG's 2023 edition of the Award and become Europe's Best Truck Parking Area. For more information, please visit <https://www.esporg.eu/awards/>.

## ESPORG Conference

Save the date! On March 1, 2023, ESPORG will hold its annual conference in the European Parliament. MEP Vlad Gheorghe will attend as a keynote speaker. The official program will follow shortly. If you are interested in attending, please contact [christy.ha@esporg.eu](mailto:christy.ha@esporg.eu).

## Munich Fair

ESPORG will be participating in the 2023 Transport Logistics Fair in Munich on May 9-12, 2023. If you want to participate with ESPORG, please let us know NOW because space is limited. Contact [christy.ha@esporg.eu](mailto:christy.ha@esporg.eu) for more information.

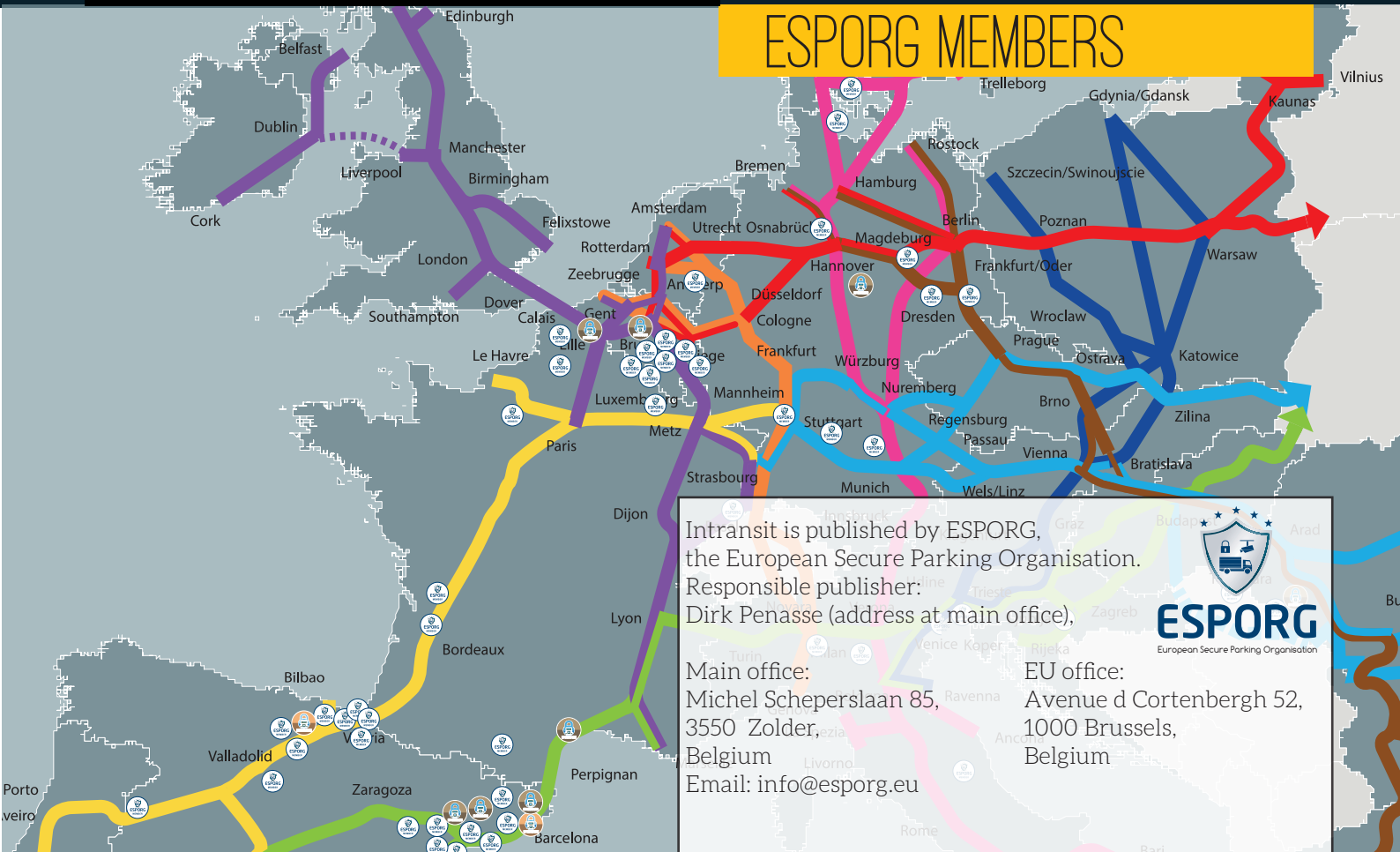
To learn more about the fair, please visit: <https://transportlogistic.de/de/>

## We want your suggestions!

Do you have topics you want to read about in INTRANSIT or want to suggest for workshops? Let us know! Contact [christy.ha@esporg.eu](mailto:christy.ha@esporg.eu).



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