

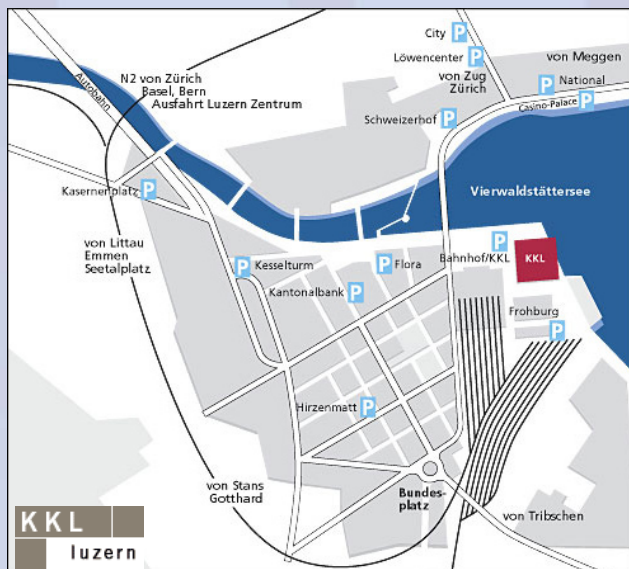
Conference Venue

Culture and Convention Centre Lucerne
(KKL Luzern), Switzerland

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Responsible Body



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The conference takes place in the framework of the European research programme MONITRAF (Monitoring of road traffic related effects in the Alpine Space and common measures).

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Advance Registration



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After your advance registration you will receive the final programme including the **registration form** and **instructions for payment**.

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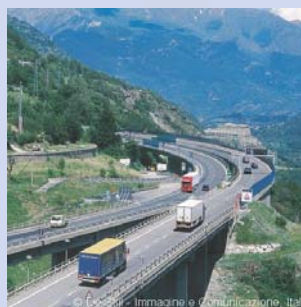
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Transport across the Alps MONITRAF

International Conference

December 1 – 3, 2005
Lucerne, Switzerland

For further information:
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Background Information

Early on the Alps have been an important transit area for trading goods between the north and the south. The main transit arteries are of strategic significance for the economic and social development throughout and outside the Alps. However, excess traffic negatively impacts man, the environment and the economy itself.

In 1985 the ARGE Alp (Working Committee of Alpine countries) postulated in their transport concept the shift of freight transport from road to rail. Today, in 2005, it is obvious that this objective has not yet been achieved.

This example shows that transport does not regulate itself without taxation or legal measures; in which the measures have to reach beyond the actual sector. Therefore, a sustainable solution for the Alpine Space is imperative.

The Conference

The International Conference “*Transport across the Alps – MONITRAF*”, which takes place from December 1 to 3, 2005 in Lucerne will address central questions regarding transport in the Alpine region:

- What impact does road traffic through the Alps have along the transit arteries?
- How do legal and political regulations influence transit traffic?
- Which interactions can be observed between transport, spatial development, tourism, environment and economy?

Information concerning current trends and research results with regard to transport in the Alps will be provided in the context of lectures and discussions. Furthermore an excursion to the construction site Amsteg of the Gotthard Base Tunnel, one of the most comprehensive transport projects in the Alpine region, will illustrate a practical example.

The conference offers you a platform for international and interdisciplinary exchange of experiences and ideas. We kindly invite you to participate in discussions with renowned international experts and governmental representatives about the current transport situation.

Programme

Thursday, December 1, 2005

- 15:30** Registration
- 16:30** Welcoming and opening speeches from government representatives of the Alpine region
- 18:00** Opening Session: *European transport policy and the development of freight traffic in the Alpine region*
- 19:20** Discussion
- 20:00** Welcome Reception at the Culture and Convention Centre Lucerne (KKL Luzern)

Friday, December 2, 2005

- 9:00** Session 1: *The development of transport along the four transit arteries, researched by MONITRAF*
- 11:15** Coffee Break
- 11:45** Session 2: *Transport and regional development in the Alpine region*
- 13:00** Lunch
- 14:30** Session 3: *Transport, environment and health in the transit valleys of the Alps*
- 16:00** Coffee Break
- 16:30** Session 4: *Railway as an adequate alternative for freight transport through the Alps*
- 17:30** Closing Discussion
- 18:00** End of the conference

Saturday, December 3, 2005

Excursion to the Gotthard Base Tunnel: guided tour of the construction site Amsteg.

- 9:00** Bus transfer from the KKL Lucerne to the construction site Amsteg
- 14:00** Bus transfer back to the KKL Lucerne
- Limited to 50 participants
- Participation fee: 20 Euro

Conference Languages

Italian / German / French (simultaneous translation)

Fees

Conference fee	Euro
Regular	80
Student	30

Registration after 31.10.2005

Regular	100
Student	50

The conference fee includes refreshments, lunch (1), dinner (1) and a copy of the conference proceedings. Instructions for payment will be specified in the final programme.

Participation fee excursion	20
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