



# Out of a job or out of the road transport industry?

## Workshop Invitation

“Are we doing enough to avoid mass redundancies?”

Wednesday 25 November: 13:00 – 15:30 UK / 14:00 – 16:30 CET

<https://zoom.us/j/99147599471>

The future of professional driving is in doubt.

The road transport industry represents one of the most important sectors in Europe, providing millions of Europeans with reliable personal transport and essential goods every day. Without professional drivers we would all grind to a halt.

However, times are changing, and the much-publicised era of vehicle automation is just around the corner. The consequence of the technology will impact the one million + professional drivers across Europe. Forecasts suggest that by 2040 most journeys made by a large vehicle will be fully automated, which leaves a question over the role of professional drivers in the future.

It's important to prepare drivers for a changing role, and while it's difficult to know what jobs will exist in 20-30 years' time it is possible to reveal the skills and competences that drivers are likely to need, both professionally and socially.

So, is enough being done to help drivers move to another role in the sector? Will the number of drivers outweigh the number of jobs available? Is it possible to redeploy so many drivers?

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## Programme

### **13:00 (14:00) Welcome and introduction**

James Tillyer, Consultant, Transformation

James will introduce to Steer to Career DRV and highlight the aims and objectives of this European project

### **13:10 (14:10) Working with schools to connect with businesses**

Rosie Wainwright, Business Development Manager, Career Ready

Rosie will talk about the work being done to help young people make the transition from school to work

### **13:45 (14:45) Truck Driver Engagement**

Ruth Edwards, Business Development Director, Talent in Logistics

Presenting the results of recent research, Ruth will talk about employee engagement and how this can positively impact employee retention in the workplace, particularly in the context of truck drivers

### **14:30 (15:30) Automation in the trucking sector**

Ewa Ptaszyńska, Deputy Head of Unit at European Commission, DG MOVE

Ewa will present the results of research into the effect of level 5 automation on the labour market in the EU and US, highlight the policy recommendations for mitigating the negative impacts of level 5 automation and the recommendations to ensure smooth transition of the affected workforce

### **15:15 (16:15) The drivers' career pathway**

Moncef Semichi, Deputy Director, Department of Studies and Projects, AFT DEV Transport and Logistics

Moncef will provide an overview of the next stage of the project, developing a career pathway. He will highlight the objectives and reinforce the importance of stakeholder engagement

### **15:30 (16:30) Final thoughts and summary**

James Tillyer, Consultant, Transformation

James will close the session by summing up the topic, the discussions and the next steps

### **15:35 (16:35) Close**