2024 IATR 37th ANNUAL CONFERENCE
INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF TRANSPORTATION REGULATORS

Conference Theme: "Regulatory Sunshine"

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Registration Info: www.IATR.global

The theme of the **IATR's 37th Annual Conference**, consistent with Florida's Sunshine State motto, will be ***"Regulatory Sunshine – Let the Mobility Sunshine In!"*** Building on our "modernizing mobility" and "transportation equity" themes from our last two conferences, we will be covering topics that center around IATR projects and initiatives – including accessibility & NEMT standards, sustainability & congestion mitigation, road safety & technology, vehicle automation & artificial intelligence, mobility data solutions, as well as modernizing taximeters & the regulatory agency of the future. Consistent with our conference theme, it is our goal to cast sunshine on regulatory issues, by not only promoting transparency in government policymaking, but by developing a deeper understanding of complicated issues affecting the future of mobility innovation through an open dialogue. The conference will host events and input from our conference hosts from Palm Beach, Miami-Dade & Broward Counties, and provide attendees with "A Taste of South Florida!"

Preliminary Conference Program

Sunday, October 6, 2024

Noon – 3:00 pm
IATR Regulatory Boot Camp Trainers Prep Meeting
Location TBA

4:00 pm – 7:00 pm
IATR Committee Chairs Meeting
Location TBA

DAY 0 AGENDA: Monday, October 7, 2024
7th Annual Bootcamp

8:00 am – 12:00 pm	**Registration Open**
9:00 – 10:00am	**Breakfast – Introductions of Bootcamp Faculty Coordinators and Trainees/Attendees**
10:00– 12:00 pm	**Bootcamp Session 101** ***Taximeter Technology Regulatory Primer*** This session will provide a deep dive into the history of taximeter technology, including cutting-edge trends and new meter technologies for hard and soft meters, the regulation of smartphone applications and meter integration. The National Conference of Weights & Measures (NCWM) will assist in these sessions. The past, present and future of taximeter regulation – the paradigm and issues on the horizon – will be explored and debated.
Noon – 1:30 pm	**Luncheon & Keynote Address – Artificial Intelligence & Mobility** TBA, a keynote speaker will provide an overview of how Artificial Intelligence (AI) works, and its impacts (both positive and negative) on the mobility industry – from automation, impacts on services and transportation providers, as well as how AI may change the role and functions of regulators and government agencies.
Noon – 5:00 pm	**Exhibit Set-Up**
	Bootcamp Session 102 ***Risk Mitigation & Road Safety – Insurance & Technology: Present & Future Impacts on Businesses, Drivers & the Public***

1:30 – 3:00 pm	***Bootcamp Session 102a*** ***Part I – Mobility Insurance & Risk*** This session will discuss how insurance works in terms of every aspect of mobility, including the impact of emerging business models such as AVs and TNCs, workers' compensation and benefits, and solutions (such as telematics) to reduce costs and exposure. The impacts on drivers, the public and mobility business will be identified and discussed. A basic understanding of concepts and exposure will be coupled with the role of the transportation regulator in helping to reduce costs and protect stakeholders.
3:00 – 3:30 pm	**Coffee Break**
3:30 – 5:00 pm	**Boothcamp Session 102b** ***Part 2 – Safety Technology*** This session will explore the use of telematics and other vehicle technologies and the relationship between insurance losses and premiums. The goal is to help regulators better understand the use of data and various technologies to promote road safety and further other policy goals.
7:00– 9:00 pm	**Welcome Reception – Location TBA** **Acknowledgement of Sponsors:** • **Matthew W. Daus**, *President, International Association of Transportation Regulators (IATR)* **Welcoming Remarks:** • **Raul A. Gonzalez,** *Miami-Dade County* • **Joseph O'Geen & Robert Apicella**, *Broward County* • **Rob Shelt & Michelle Jimerson**, *Palm Beach County* **Dress code** is casual attire**.**

DAY 1 AGENDA: Tuesday, October 8, 2024

8:00 – 9:30 am	**Exhibit Set-Up**
9:00 – 4:00 pm	**Registration**
9:00 – 10:00 am	**Breakfast & Exhibit Exploration**
10:00– 10:30 am	**Welcoming Remarks – TBA** • **Conference Preview**
10:30 – 12:00 pm	**Plenary Session 1** ***International Regulator "Star Trek" & The TLC of the Future*** Once again we will bring regulators together from multiple continents to discuss a wide variety of issues, but with a specific focus on the *"regulatory agency of the future."* An emphasis will be placed on agency operations – including how regulatory agencies can fairly and efficiently conduct licensing, enforcement, adjudications and other regulatory functions. The impact of the pandemic and how agency functions and operations have changed will be discussed. This session will form the basis for the IATR project entitled ***"The Regulatory Agency of the Future"*** and will seek feedback from panelists and the audience on the findings and ideas that will be included in the IATR's final report. Discussion topics will include the following: • ***Enforcement:*** Modernizing enforcement practices through technology, such as virtual inspections and automated enforcement inside and outside of the vehicle, which can more efficiently enforce regulations; • ***Licensing Policies & Processes:*** Creating a more efficient and fair licensing system through policies—incentivizing accessible and fuel-efficient vehicles, expediting licenses for drivers with jobs waiting—and processes, like remote licensing (using licensed fleets and agents), and online transactions; • ***Self-Regulation:*** Implementing a system that is similar to the U.S. state TNC model and the U.S. Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration

Model oversight of motor carriers, with delegation of various regulatory functions to licensed mobility companies, subject to an audit process by regulators;

- ***Governance Frameworks:*** Setting the appropriate governance framework (state vs. local) and who regulates which aspects of the industry (*e.g.*, insurance requirements, driver licensing, vehicle standards). For example, state regulation could include driver standards, insurance, smart meters, reciprocity, while local regulation could focus exclusively on fares, supply/demand (permit numbers), etc..;
- ***Fees, Revenue & Fines:*** Determining equitable and reasonable fees and fines, which should only cover costs of license issuance (and not be revenue based), and which strike the proper balance in terms of fairness and equity (given income levels of drivers and other licensees); and
- ***Mobility Data*:** Setting data sharing and use practices, including determining what data is necessary, data protection and transparency, and use of data for enforcement and other purposes

Noon – 1:30 pm	**Luncheon & Hack-a-thon (Winner) Presentation** **2024 Hack-A-Thon:** The winners of the 2024 competition, which focuses on AV-EV Equity, will present their innovative solutions to the challenge questions using mobility data, and will answer audience questions.
1:30 – 3:00 pm	**Plenary Session 2** ***Innovative Mobility Partnerships***
	Building on the very popular sessions over the last two years on taxi-TNC partnerships, in addition to providing an update on the status of these initiatives, other private partnerships will be explored that will impact regulated industries, passengers and regulators alike. Both purely private partnerships, including joint ventures and acquisitions for programs of interest, including EVs, vehicle rentals and data platforms (integration), as well as public-private partnerships (such as Mobility on Demand FTA Sandbox Program experiments with public transit first and last mile and accessible paratransit services) will be discussed.
3:00 – 3:30 pm	**Exhibit Review & Coffee Break**

3:30pm – 5:00pm	**Plenary Session 3:** ***The Road to Safety – Vision Zero & Technology Solutions*** This panel, hosted and organized by the IATR's Health & Safety Committee, will explore where we are in terms of achieving Vision Zero goals. Not only will regulators discuss their safety programs that include enforcement, training, and positive reinforcement, but also the future of the movement will be debated. Discussions will be held on the use of open mobility data platforms and other government and private technology that use mobility data, AI, Automated Vehicles, telematics, and other technologies to assist in enhancing road safety and furthering Vision Zero goals, including automated enforcement and policy-making (MDS 2.0 and beyond). The panel will reach conclusions on how government agencies at all levels, the private sector and the academic community, can and should work together to achieve Vision Zero goals, as well as how IATR can help in doing so.
5:00 pm	**Dinner on Your Own (Free Night)**

DAY 2 AGENDA: Wednesday, October 9, 2024
Theme: *Accessible Transportation & NEMT Workshop*

The IATR's Accessible Transportation Committee and the Non-Emergency Medical Transportation Accreditation Commission (NEMTAC), as well as other stakeholders, will work together to host a day-long workshop on developments in the public paratransit and private NEMT arena, with the goal of addressing key issues to update the IATR's Accessible Transportation Model Regulations, which were issued ten years ago.

8:00 – 4:00 pm	**Registration**
8:00 – 9:30 am	**Breakfast**

9:30 – 11:00 am	**Plenary Session 4** ***The Future of Accessible Transportation*** Setting the stage for the beginning of the workshop on access and Non-Emergency Medical Transportation (NEMT), this opening panel will track the evolution, current status and future of wheelchair accessible services. International regulatory exemplars will be identified, and discussion will ensue to form the basis for a plan of action to finally solve the lingering problems affecting the delivery of services to people with disabilities. New and unique business models, technology as well as the various forms of subsidies, unique service solutions, and the disruption of the NEMT industry will be debated.
11:00 – 11:30am	**Coffee Break & Exhibit Review**
11:30 am – 1:00 pm	**Plenary Session 5 & Breakout Sessions 5 (A) – (D)** ***IATR Model Regulations for Accessible Transportation 2.0*** This series of breakout sessions will be preceded by introductions of the various breakout group leaders, and the coordinator/moderator of the workshop will deliver a presentation summarizing the existing IATR model regulations for accessible transportation, and identify the questions to be answered by each breakout group for potential comments to best and accepted regulatory practices. **Breakout Session 5(A)** ***Non-Emergency Medical Transportation Accreditation Commission (NEMTAC)*** This session will discuss what regulators should do (if anything) with NEMTAC certification standards, in terms of possible legal mandates, incentives to obtain accreditation, accreditation to meet licensing standards (outsourcing), and the benefits and challenges involved in raising and implementing accessible service standards. **Breakout Session 5(B)** ***Public Paratransit Reform*** This breakout will explore the MOD Sandbox Program with FTA, what public transit systems have been doing to deliver better accessible service, and how the system can deploy wheelchair accessible vehicles, through brokerage or other models, to make for a safer, more efficient, reliable and affordable service for people with disabilities.

Breakout Session 5(C)
Accessibility & Disruptive Technologies

The role of smartphone applications, connected and automated vehicles, electric vehicles, accessible data and software/dispatch innovations will be discussed. Will these innovations help improve access or will they present new challenges to hinder progress.

Breakout Session 5(D)
The Costs of Accessibility – Vehicles, Insurance & Financing

The business models of accessibility will be discussed and debated during this breakout session, including how to cover and/or reduce the higher costs involved in insurance and vehicle retrofitting. Brokerage models and changes underway in both public paratransit and subsidized NEMT services will be explored, to identify the ideal structure to programs to make for safer, affordable, sustainable, equitable and more efficient on-demand accessible services. Who pays or who "should pay" is a the center of this discussion.

1:00 – 2:30 pm	**Luncheon & Keynote Address TBA** **State of the IATR:** • **Matthew W. Daus**, *President, International Association of Transportation Regulators (IATR)*
2:30 – 4:00 pm	**Plenary Session 5 (Continued):** ***IATR's Accessible Transportation Reform Plan*** ***Reports Back & Plenary Recap Panel with Breakout Group Leaders*** The leaders or moderators of the various breakout sessions for the Accessibility Workshop will deliver summaries of the issues discussed and will make specific recommendations for discussion with respect to updating the IATR's model regulations. Each breakout group will share their conclusions and recommendations for the panel and audience to discuss and debate the issues, as well as to present potential changes to be made to best practices in the field to prepare for the future.
5:00 – 7:00 pm	**Regulatory Bonfire – Beach Retreat & Sunset Networking Party** **Dress code** is smart beach attire. ***Meet in the lobby****

DAY 3 AGENDA: Thursday, October 10, 2024

8:00 – 4:00 pm	**Registration**
8:00 – 9:30 am	**Breakfast**
9:30 – 11:00 am	**Plenary Session 6** ***Sustainability – EVs & Congestion Pricing*** Many jurisdictions continue to make Electric Vehicle policy related to increasing turnover of taxi and for hire fleets to clean air vehicles, and the build-out of infrastructure in the U.S. and beyond. We will explore what the U.S. and other countries have been doing in this area, as well as cities that have and/or will be implementing ***congestion pricing*** – sharing their experiences and impact on decarbonization and congestion mitigation efforts. The IATR's congestion mitigation principles will be discussed and debated based upon the most current developments in this space.
11:00 – 11:30 am	**Coffee Break & Exhibit Review**
11:30 am – 1:00 pm	**Plenary Session 7** ***Robotaxi Update*** The results of our 2023 workshop will be digested, and a plan of action to finalize our model regulations will be presented, along with panel discussions with industry stakeholders and regulators involving issues of safety/deployment, governance, equity/accessibility, labor/workforce displacement, and risk/insurance. The final IATR model regulations for robotaxis will be unveiled and panelists will discuss how to implement these guiding principles into a regulatory framework.
1:00 – 2:30 pm	**Luncheon & Awards Ceremony** • Norma Reyes IATR Regulator Scholarship Recipients • IATR Volunteer of the Year Award • IATR International Driver of the Year Award • IATR Regulator of the Year Award **2025 Conference Preview (TBA)**

2:30 – 4:00 pm	**Plenary Session 8** ***Mobility Shark Tank*** Transportation technology start-ups will present their business models before regulators and other experts, to provide critical feedback on how these companies can help regulators and the industry achieve their mutual goals. Each start-up will present their business model, and then face tough questions from transportation regulators, mobility industry and investor sharks, who will cast a critical eye on and sink their teeth into each entrant. May the strongest survive!
6:30 – 11:00 pm	**Dinner Reception & Miami Nightclub Party** **Dress code** – We encourage you to dress to impress! ***Meet in the lobby****

DAY 4 AGENDA: Friday, October 11, 2024

9:30 – 11:30 am	**Brunch & Plenary Session 9:** ***Regulatory Unconference – Lessons Learned & Next Steps*** As in years past, all attendees will have an open forum to discuss any issues not covered during the conference and will also re-cap the key takeaways from the Florida conference. New ideas and suggestions for the 2025 conference will be discussed and post-conference survey results will be shared with the membership, and prizes raffled to survey participants. **Closing Breakfast & Parting Salutations** • Completion of Post-Conference Surveys & Raffle