

Utrecht Accessible

Platform of cooperation between:
Infrastructure authorities
Public Transport authorities
Trade & Industry



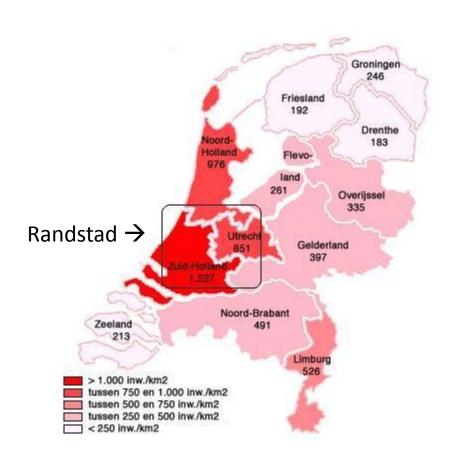
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The Dutch context



- 16.6m residents
- 8m cars
- The 'Randstad': economic centre with 7m residents



The Dutch context



- 4 main cities
- 200-500 km of traffic jams each working day
- Rotterdam harbor generates heavy road-borne freight



The Dutch context Major road works



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Public/private cooperation founded by:

- Directorate-general of Public Works and Water, Utrecht region (RWS)
- Municipality of Utrecht
- Utrecht Regional Council
- Province of Utrecht
- Mid Netherlands Chamber of Commerce
- VNO-NCW Utrecht employers organizations



Mission Utrecht Accessible

To prevent severe congestion by:

- Coordination of road construction planning
 - Regional traffic management
 - Giving priority to public transport
- Taking mobility management measures (Public Transport Pass)
- Joint communications



Road construction planning

- Central database:
 - Complete and up-to-date planning of road works
 - Including special events
 - Standardized traffic congestion categories
- Dynamic Network Traffic Model: effects of construction on road capacity and traffic flow
- Integrated planning for all infrastructure projects



Lessons learned

- To be able to manage integrated planning, you need a database and you need central cooperation
- Coordination is necessary, but won't solve problems like delays in road construction



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Rewarding by FileMijden

FileMijden: "to avoid trafficjams"



Goal: 5.000 participants and 1.000 less cars in peak hours during road construction A2/Hooggelegen

Period: November 30th 2009 – March 26th 2010

Selection by camera registration of the license plate.

Participants earn 4 euro for each day they don't travel by car during peak hours (06.00-10.00 hrs)





Rewarding - Effect

- 4.025 participants
- Decrease of 700-800 cars on highways around Utrecht
- 220.000 euros payed out, an average amount of 55 euro per participant





Public Transport Pass

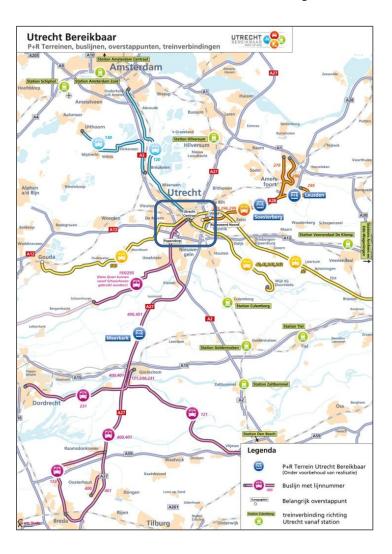
 Goal: 2,000 – 4,000 less cars during peak hours



- Sold to major companies in Utrecht area
- Access to all Public Transport
- Low price, but with a high minimal purchase quantity



Public Transport Pass 2009-2010



Utrecht Bereikbaar Pass

for people living in the Utrecht area

- with access to regional public transport
- access to public bicycles (for business and private use)

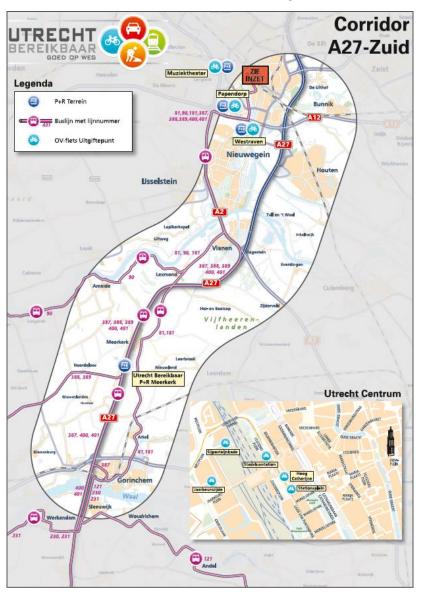
Utrecht Bereikbaar Plus Pass

for people living outside the Utrecht area

- benefits of the standard pass
- with an extra PT solution for every corridor
 - by bus (bus in the fast lane)
 - dedicated commuter bus services
 - by train
 - access to Park &Ride



Public Transport Pass 2009-2010





Car



Park & Ride – 30km outside Utrecht



Dedicated commuter bus service



Public bicycles



Public Transport Pass - Effect

- Over 20,000 passes sold
- 400 employers in Utrecht area
- 80 % of pass holders use the PT pass
 - 40 % former car users
 - 20 % bicycle
 - 32 % public transport
- 3,700 cars less during rush hours

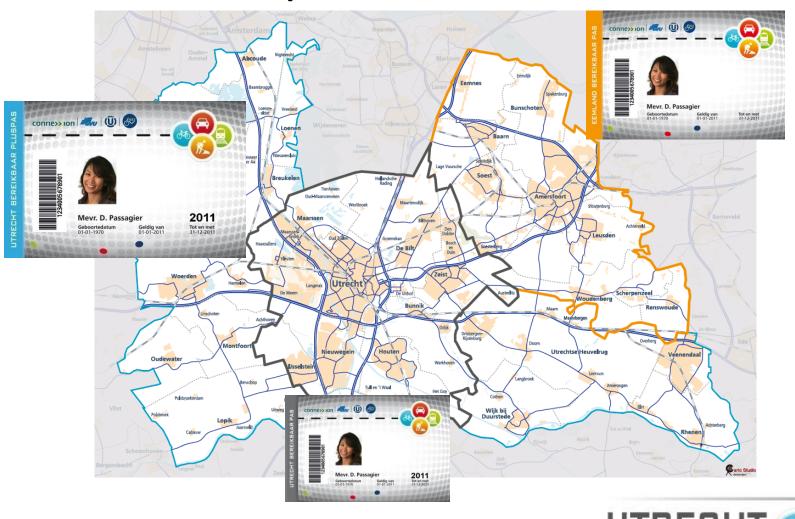


Lessons learned

- Make use of existing public transport
- Constructing Park & Ride lots are costly and only successful if well connected to Public Transport



Public Transport Pass 2011



Selling the PT pass

- Promotion
- Internal communication











Renewals



Lessons learned

- Initial selling process is costly and takes time, but customers are loyal
- Helping internal communications and taking over customer registration, speeds up the employers' decision-making process
- Only for long-term projects



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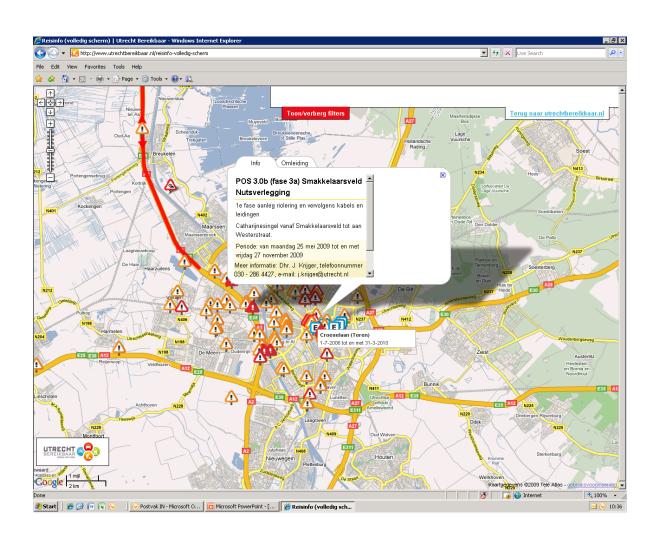


Joint communication

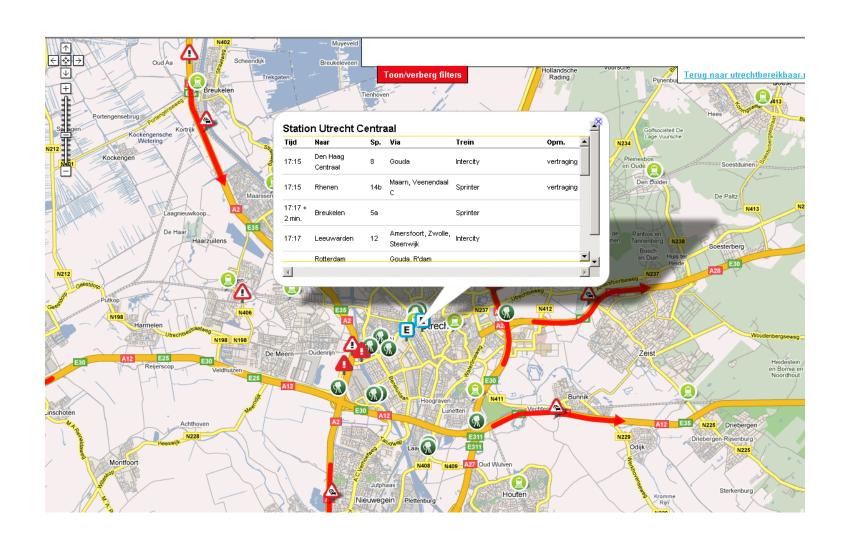
- One brand, one sender
- Joint spokesperson
- Project communication by individual authorities
- Extra channels:
 - (Mobile) website: 130.000 visitors a year
 - News alerts: 14.000 subscribers
 - Twitter account
 - Webvideo journal



Road construction



Travel information



Actual Traffic situation



E-mail newsalerts

Verzonden aan oostrom@easthouse.biz door noreply@utrechtbereikbaar.nl.
Klik hier om de e-mail in uw browser te bekijken | Klik hier om u uit te schrijven





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19 januari 2010: afsluiting Waterlinieweg ter hoogte van Tamboersdijk

Dinsdag 19 januari 2010 van 9.30 uur tot 15.30 uur zal de oprit naar de Waterlinieweg ter hoogte van de Tamboersdijk in verband met asfalteringswerkzaamheden afgesloten zijn voor al het verkeer. Het verkeer op de Waterlinieweg richting knooppunt Laagraven wordt voor de oprit naar de Waterlinieweg over de linker rijbaan omgeleid. Het overige verkeer wordt via de Berekuil omgeleid.

20 januari 2010: werkzaamheden ter hoogte van knooppunt Oudenrijn

In de avond en nacht van woensdag 20 januari werkt Rijkswaterstaat aan de A2 ter hoogte van knooppunt Oudenrijn. Tussen 20.00 uur en 05.00 uur is toerit 8 Utrecht Centrum richting A2 Den Bosch en A12 Arnhem en Den Haag afgesloten. Verkeer wordt omgeleid en moet rekening houden met een langere reistijd.

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Anders reizen

Utrecht Bereikbaar Pas

De Utrecht Bereikbaar Pas is een vervoerbewijs in de vorm van een creditcard waarmee u van en naar uw werk reist. De pas is er nu in twee varianten: De Utrecht Bereikbaar Pas die geldig is in de stadregio Utrecht. Reizigers kunnen hiermee gratis gebruik maken van alle bussen van GVU/Connexxion. De pas kan

- 3-8 times per month
- Only in case of severe congestion
- Planning tool for company logistics departments
- Highly appreciated!



Lessons learned

- Common budget
- Close cooperation between partners' communications departments
- Think from the viewpoint of the recipient
- Infrastructure authorities want to keep control of communications



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Costs 2008-2010

Planning & traffic management € 0,6m

Mobility management € 7,2m*

Communications € 1,3m

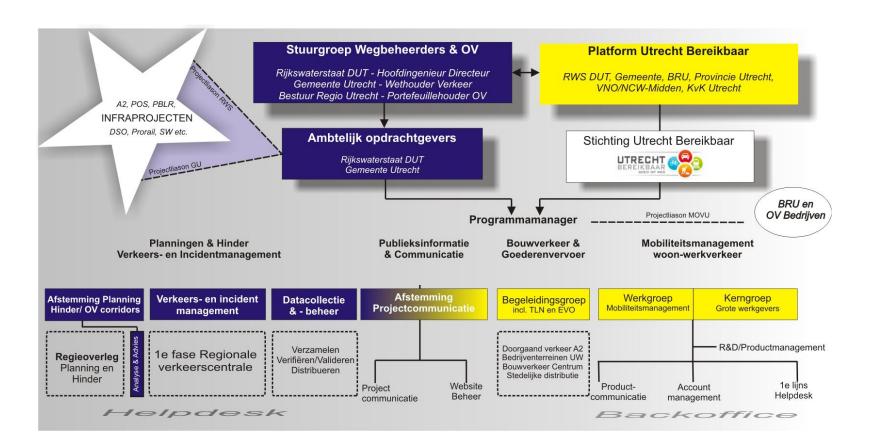
Overhead € 4,6m

Unsuspected € 1,3m

Total € 15,0m

* 60% government subsidy, 40 % contributed by industry

Organizing the participants





Organizing the participants

- External management (by non-profit organization)
- Common budget
- Cooperation with all organizations at different levels
- Cooperation with Chamber of Commerce, employers organizations and major companies in the area

Lessons learned

- You need time
 - For the decision-making process
 - For negotiating contracts
 - To brand your service
 - To sell your products
- Keep good record of decisions, necessary due to changes in stakeholders' personnel
- Surveys of pass holders provide valuable information and is necessary for monitoring effects and use



Thank you for your time

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