The Smart Ticketing Alliance Charter

This Smart Ticketing Alliance Charter has been prepared and agreed by representatives of the Smart Ticketing organisations in Germany (VDV-KA KG), UK (ITSO), France (AFIMB) and the Calypso Networks Association, together with the UITP, following their February 2012 agreement to cooperate on the development of Smart Ticketing interoperability based on the principles of Interoperable Fare Management (IFM) set out in the EU-IFM Project funded by the European Commission and the developments in contactless bankcards and NFC-enabled devices, particularly mobile phones.

Goals for the Smart Ticketing Alliance

The Smart Ticketing Alliance Charter represents a coordinated approach for establishing Smart Ticketing interoperability in the Public Transport sector.

Main goals of the alliance are:

- Cooperation between national and regional Smart Ticketing schemes to establish interoperable Smart Ticketing in Europe and elsewhere.
- Develop, agree and publish the functional and technical requirements for smart ticketing interoperability
- Cooperation for the establishment of Trust Schemes, Specifications and Certification
- Cooperation with other European and International bodies to promote interoperability in Smart Ticketing

Cooperation within the Alliance

The Smart Ticketing Alliance Members will cooperate with the purpose of:

- Sharing experience and Best Practice
- Cooperating in Working Groups, bringing in Alliance members’ knowledge and expertise
- Coordinating the Alliance members’ submissions to the standardization process
- Setting up Trust Schemes

Alliance activities

- Coordination of contact between the Smart Ticketing Alliance and its Members
- Establishing and supporting Working Groups for identified topics
- Supporting standardization and certification processes including the establishment of a formal liaison role with CEN TC224 and TC278, and with ISO TC204
- Developing and implementing agreed Trust Schemes for Smart Ticketing and its interfaces with other Industry Certification Schemes
- Disseminating information on activities and development through an Alliance website
- Representing Smart Ticketing Alliance with other European/global organisationssuch as GSMA, NFC Forum, SEPA, European Commission, UIC and IATA
Membership rules

- Full membership is open for national ticketing schemes and regional groups of Public Transport Authorities/Companies cooperating in the electronic Smart Ticketing area.
- Associated members are welcomed.
- All full members are invited to be part of a General Assembly that meets once a year.
- For the first two years the Alliance Management Board will consist of the four Founding Members. The General Assembly will subsequently select a Management Board of up to 6 members. The Management Board will always include the four Founding Members.
- The General Assembly and Management Board will create Working Groups as appropriate.

Membership fees

The Smart Ticketing Alliance is not-for-profit and initially is not incorporated.

For the first year(s) of the Smart Ticketing Alliance, Full and Associate membership is free. The General Assembly will decide on subsequent membership fees. Each Member is invited to participate actively in the work of the Alliance at their own cost.

Alliance Secretariat

A coordinating Secretariat will be established for the Smart Ticketing Alliance from within the UITP to provide a single contact point and for disseminating information by printed documents, newsletters and through the web-site. The UITP Secretariat will be responsible for arranging meetings for the Management Board and General Assembly. For the first year(s) the founders together with UITP will take responsibility for the secretariat. The secretariat will after the first year(s) be part of the Alliance budget financed by member fees agreed on.

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