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# Automated driving – mobility in 2050

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# Introduction to FEDRO



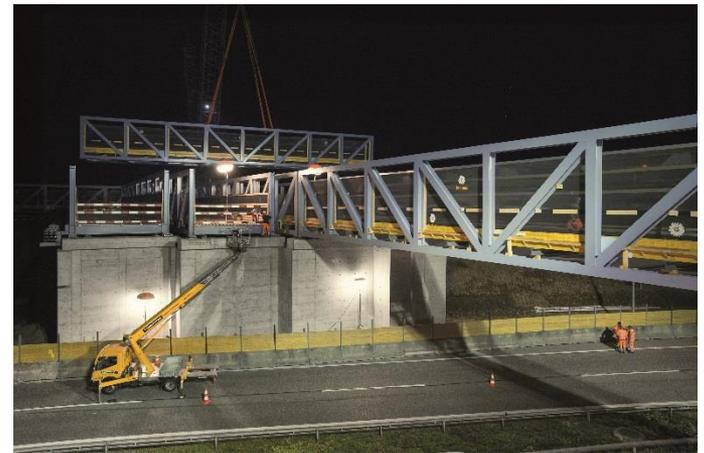
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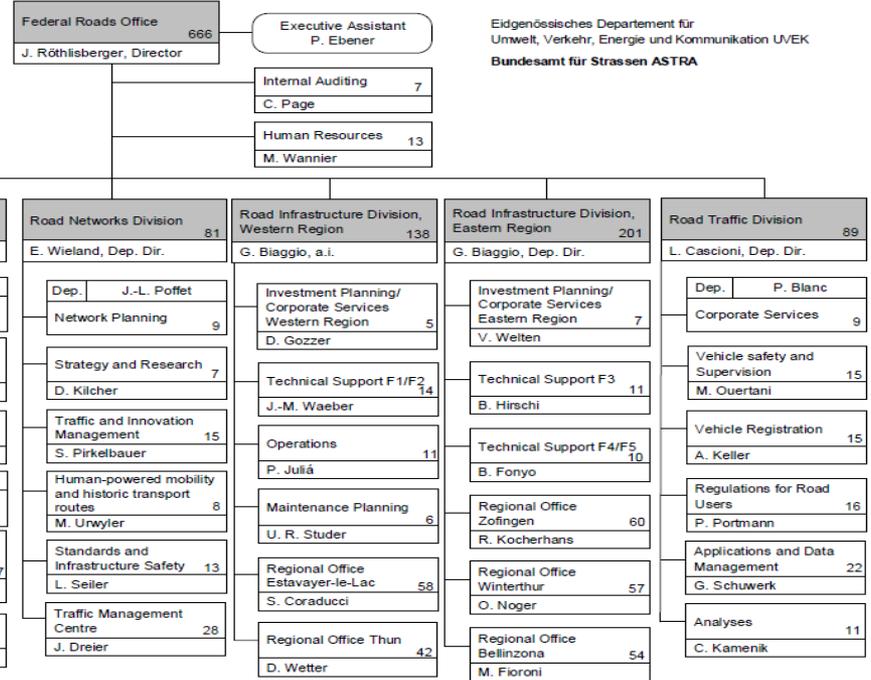
# Sovereign Tasks of a Ministry

## Operational Tasks of Road Authority

- Motorway construction, operation and maintenance
- Access for all road users
- Traffic rules and regulations
- Federal competence centre for motorised private transport

→ individual mobility





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- 636 personnel
- 9 locations

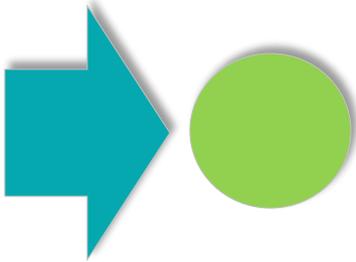
**2'200 km roads**  
**4'400 bridges**  
**280 tunnels**  
**3.5 bn fr expenses, 2.2 bn. invest**  
**Largest CH contracting authority**



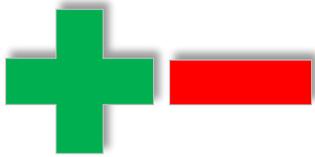
# Introduction



Digitalisation will fundamentally transform mobility in the coming years and decades.



Automated driving is likely to be a highly influential aspect of this.



Development offers opportunities as well as risks



Positively **influencing development** through action at state level



# FEDRO is on the ball (I)

**For several years, FEDRO has been focusing on issues related to intelligent mobility and automated driving...**

**Federal Council report:** “Automated driving – consequences and impacts on transport policy”

**Clear need for research and action**  
Initial project identifying issues to be researched

**Federal Council report:** “Supply and exchange of data for the operation of automated road vehicles”

2016

2017

2018



# FEDRO is on the ball (II)

... the findings obtained have culminated in concrete **outcomes** and **action plans**.

**Research package: "Impacts of automated driving"**

**Federal Council report:** "Supply and exchange of data for the operation of automated road vehicles"

**Revision of federal road traffic legislation**  
Creation of legislation on automated driving (revision of law, preparation of ordinance)

2018

2020

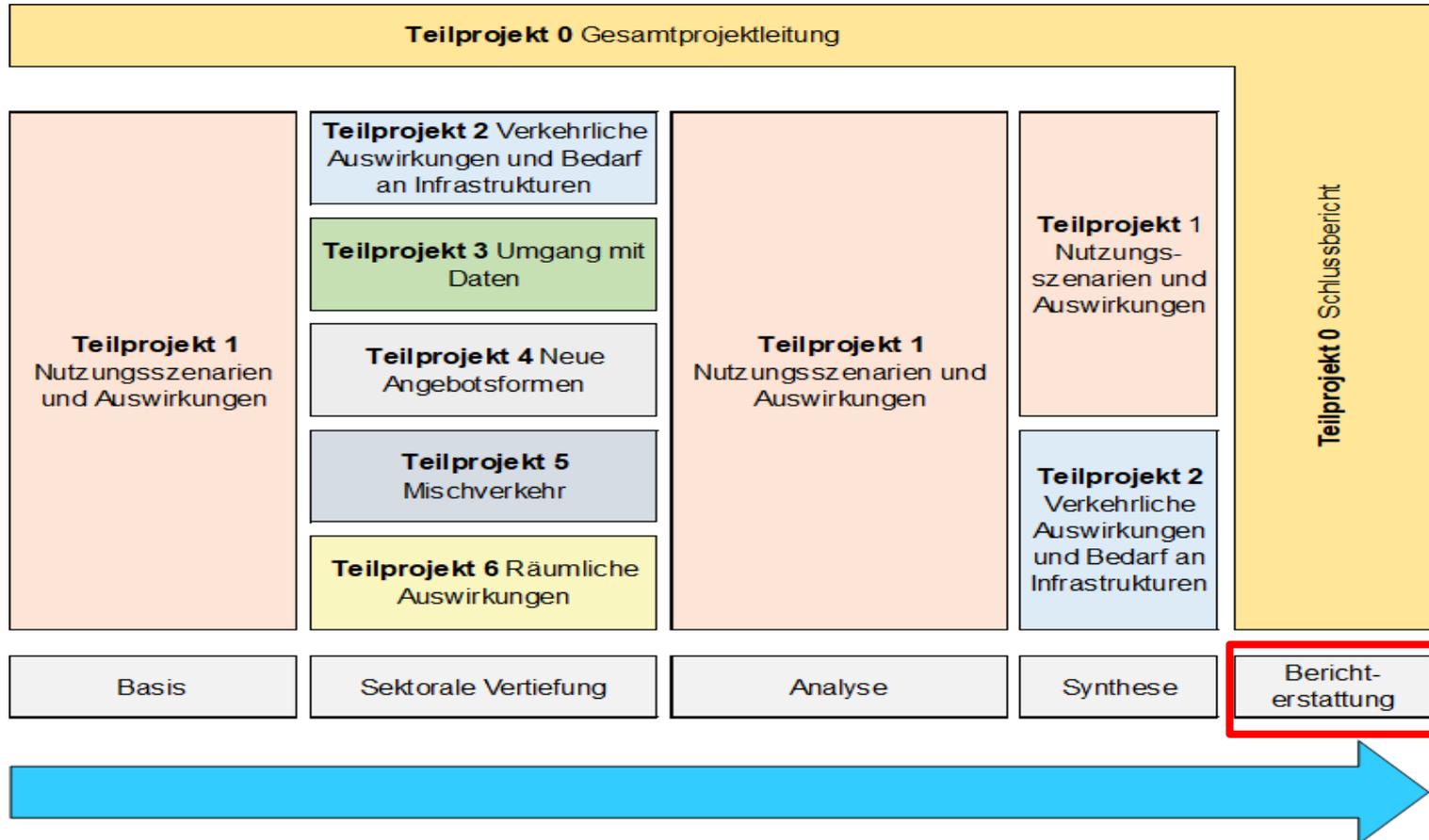
2018

2020

2050



# “Impacts of automated driving” research package





# Main findings: Fleet penetration



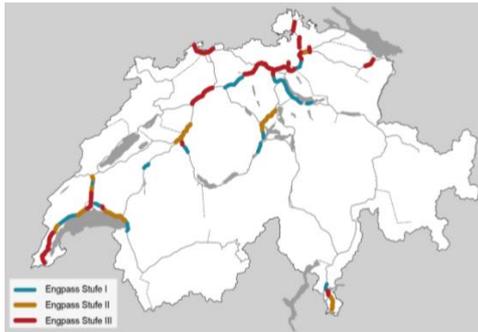
**Penetration of the vehicle fleet to take longer than expected**  
In 2050, between 40 (= extreme scenario) and 70 percent of vehicles still operated *manually*



**Efficiency increase requires fleet penetration**  
Automated vehicles unable to eliminate anticipated bottlenecks on motorways by 2050



# Main findings: Road capacities / Demand



**Enhancement of network still necessary**

Automated vehicles unable to eliminate anticipated bottlenecks by 2050



**Automated vehicles can give rise to significantly more traffic**

Towns and cities unable to handle increased traffic volume



# Main findings: Public transport / Urban sprawl



**Strong competition for conventional public transport in densely populated areas**

Automated and collectively used taxi fleets in densely populated areas attractive and affordable



**Not a major impetus for urban sprawl**

Commuter stretches too short to be attractive for working en route, not every profession can work remotely



# Main findings: Efficiency



**Contributing to higher vehicle occupancy**

Favouring ride pooling and multi-modal services



**New options for constantly developing traffic management systems**

More data and options for directly influencing vehicles will bring new opportunities.



# Main findings: Dynamic development



## Dynamic development resulting in uncertainties

Uncertainties and dynamic development call for agility in a relatively “static” environment



# 2050 objective – Where we want to be!



**Objective** = Desirable status of road transport system with automated vehicles in 2050

In 2050...



... automated driving is possible in Switzerland



... our roads **can be and are used by all forms of transport**



... **collective use** of large proportion of automated vehicles



# 2050 objective – This is where we want to be! (ii)

In 2050...



... the **worst bottlenecks** on the network are **eliminated**



... highly automated vehicles are comprehensively **integrated into a multi-modal transport system**



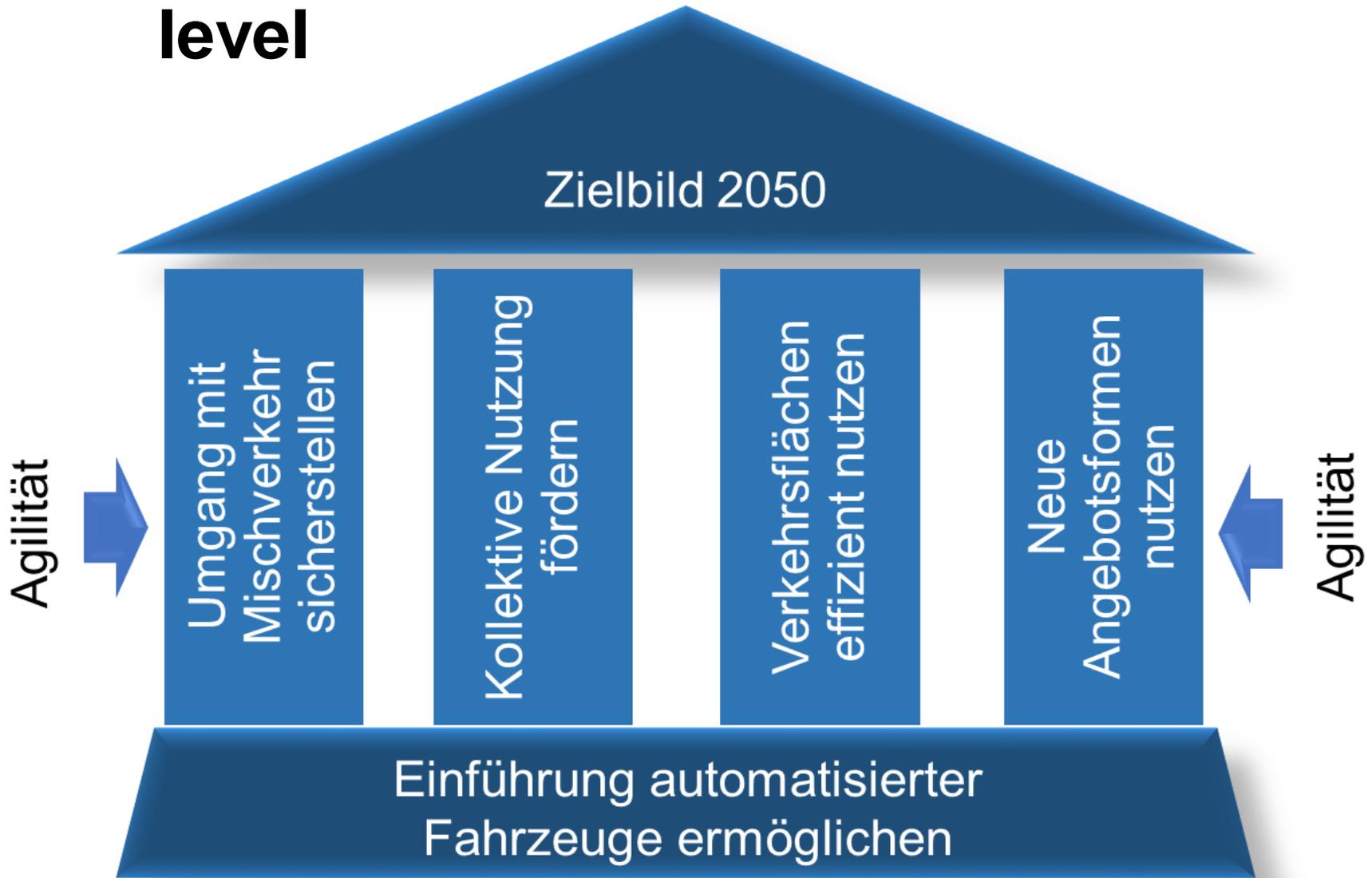
... **public transport** is in a stronger position following the transformation



... authorities operate a **forward-looking and effective traffic management system**



# 2050 objective – Activities at federal level





# Making it all possible

Drafting and issuing regulations



Involving the general public



Providing technical and digital infrastructure





# Managing mixed traffic

Guaranteeing traffic flow and road safety



Speeding up the fleet penetration of highly automated vehicles



Shortening mixed traffic phase





# Encouraging collective use

Supporting the collective use of automated vehicles



Integrating automated vehicles into multi-modal mobility system



# Using roads efficiently

Implementing  
enhancement projects;  
increasing operational  
flexibility



Exploiting new potentials;  
improving traffic management  
systems



# Improving public transport services

Using automated vehicles to improve public transport services

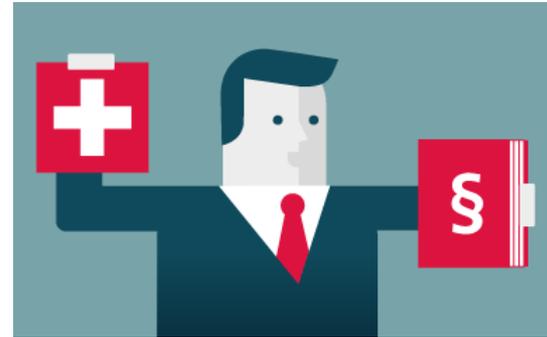


Introducing effective pricing systems; preventing a widening gap between prices for private and public transport

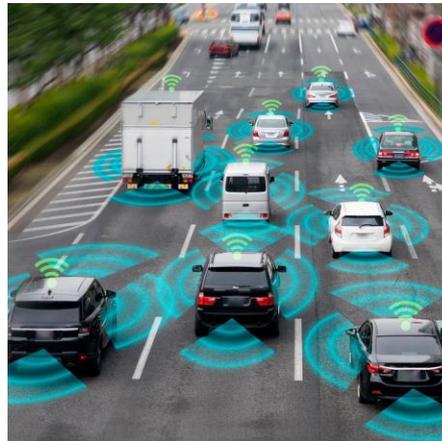


# Flexibility

Flexibility in  
legislation  
with delegation of  
responsibility



Flexibility in  
implementation  
(trial and error)



Closing  
knowledge  
gaps



# Thank you very much for your kind attention!

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