

INIT and Bestmile to offer Mobility Solutions for Driverless Fleets Integrated in Public Transport Systems

Karlsruhe - Germany, Lausanne & San Francisco - Switzerland/USA - November 28, 2018 – [Bestmile](#), the leading mobility services platform used to plan, manage, and optimize autonomous and human-driven vehicle fleets, and INIT, the leading supplier of integrated planning, dispatching, telematics and ticketing systems for bus and rail networks, today announced a partnership to incorporate driverless vehicles into public transport in order to provide fully integrated mobility solutions.

The companies will collaborate closely to integrate their respective backend software platforms to offer turn-key solutions that allow public transport operators to seamlessly connect autonomous mobility services with mass transit transportation networks.

“INIT has been helping transit companies make public transport more attractive and efficient for more than 35 years,” said Raphael Gindrat, CEO of Bestmile. “We are really excited to collaborate with such a respected market leader to bring together autonomous mobility services to cities and urban centers worldwide.”

Bestmile offers the only mobility services cloud platform that has demonstrated the ability to manage autonomous, vehicle-agnostic mobility services with multi-modal integration in public transit. With more than 35 years of experience INIT has a unique understanding of public transit. This know-how is crucial for integrating innovative mobility offerings into a strong mass transit backbone.

“Bestmile is the ideal partner to help us deliver the next generation of smart mobility solutions,” said Dirk Weißer, Head of Research for INIT. “It’s proven technology will enable us to fully incorporate autonomous first and last-mile services into the central management tool of public transit providers – the fleet management system.”

As a result, dispatchers in the control center will be able to track all transport services comfortably within one monitoring system, which is the ideal way to efficiently integrate of first and last-mile services into the core business of public transit agencies. The partnership of Bestmile and INIT allows smart transit providers to strive for service excellence while making mass transit the strong backbone of a city’s mobility solution.

Together, the companies will develop mobility solutions for driverless vehicle fleets incorporated into traditional transportation systems, including key components required in today’s modern public transport environments such as real-time traveler information systems, planning or ticketing.

Autonomous first and last-mile services that bring travelers to and from transit hubs have the potential to make public transit more convenient and accessible while boosting ridership and revenue – with minimal new infrastructure. The ability to integrate with public transit back end systems to synchronize schedules and optimize service performance is key. Service providers can also cost-effectively reach new service areas that may not be suitable for larger vehicle transport.

About Bestmile

Bestmile empowers mobility providers to deploy, manage and optimize autonomous and human-driven vehicle fleets, supporting fixed-route and on-demand services, regardless of the vehicle brand or type. Bestmile’s mobility platform allows operators to support multi-modal, multi-service offerings in a safe and efficient manner by integrating autonomous vehicles in the existing transportation ecosystem. Bestmile’s autonomous mobility service platform is being used daily in shared electric autonomous vehicles in pedestrian areas and public roads. Incorporated in 2014, Bestmile has global offices in San Francisco (USA) and Lausanne (Switzerland). For more information, visit www.bestmile.com.

About INIT

INIT is the worldwide leading supplier of integrated ITS, planning, dispatching, and fare collection systems for buses and trains. For more than 35 years, INIT has been assisting transit agencies around the globe in making public transit faster, safer, and more efficient. Today, more than 600 leading public transport providers worldwide rely on INIT’s integrated telematics system, MOBILE to benefit from a seamless end-to-end solution that simplifies all operational processes, increases efficiency and improves service quality.

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