



The point of view of the users

Do passengers feel safer ?

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- 38 member orga
- 21 countries
- founded 2002
- the European umbrella organization of national and regional passengers' organizations
- financed by its member organisations
- representing passengers' views at the European level
- dealing with all modes of public transport such as local transport, railways, buses, aviation and maritime transport





• A lot of aspects of safety and security are specialist material

- Passengers are
 - not specialists / engineers
 - emotional beings
 - not always rational
 - they can be fiddly





• Safety and security are often seen as two 'separate' aspects

- For a passenger feeling safe and secure is almost the same
 - exception : periods of heightened security risks (as still now)

• For passengers the feeling is more important then the actual degree of safety or security





- Not a lot of long term research of passengers on safety
- One good example : UK Rail Passenger survey
 - Representative sample of >50k British passengers polled for 2 x yearly National Rail Passenger Survey
 - Questions on terrorism added after 7/7/2005 London Transport bombings (52 deaths and more than 700 injured)
 - 'Public fear' about terrorism and personal security on railway dissipated quite quickly after 7/7

Long term perspective : Did personal security concerns prevent train travel?





Long term perspective : Reason for worry about personal security : TERRORISM





Long term perspective : Reason for worry about personal security





Long term perspective : what to learn from it ...



- Safety and security is (partly) perception
- Most unsafe and unsecure feeling come from other passengers
- Passengers feel most safe through staff presence and good information

• 'I obviously expect to be safe but I don't expect to be inconvenienced'

 Does this mean no need to research on and invest in safety and security ?

Involve passengers' in safety and security



• Safety (and security) research is technology driven and focussed on output in hard and tangible measures

 Psychological and societal aspects of security and safety are overlooked and ignored

• Involve the passenger in research and development!





- Aviation is the safest mode seen by the passenger and must stay so, so continuation/improvement of innovation and research is more than necessary by new challenges :
 - New business models
 - Drones small and big
 - Climate change
- Psychological and societal aspects of security and safety are overlooked and ignored, now addressed in one project (see page 20). Safety and security till now threated separately.
- Human is partly replaced by automation in several areas, how is the reaction/behaviour of the human being, more study needed
- Involve the passenger in research and development!





- EPF has extensive experience in this, some of our recommendations:
 - 1. Don't just listen to the passenger, get them involved !
 - 2. Use co-creation instead of traditional methods (focus groups etc.)
 - 3. Include different partners in consortia with "knowledge" of certain aspects (behaviour, perception, societal sciences,....) : think out of your current box!
 - 4. Put 1 or two issues to the passengers which can impact their travel, it get's them involved
 - 5. Don't talk about WP, tasks and other technical issues for the insiders

> Thank you for your attention!



