



ZalaZONE PROVING GROUND

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Disruptive changes

Technology change in the automotive industry

- **AD vehicles** are no longer separate entities
- **Human driver** is getting out of the control loop
- **New algorithms** (e.g. machine learning) current validation will not



„Conventional“ vs AD vehicle testing and validation

- **Vehicle dynamics** testing in itself is not enough
- Testing vehicle **environment perception** capabilities
- Testing **vehicle interaction** to other vehicles and the infrastructure
- Connected vehicles require testing of **communication** technologies



Conclusion: new testing and validation methods thus dedicated proving grounds are necessary

Decision on strategic R&D investment

Unique test facility

Capacity constraints in Europe in area of vehicle dynamic testing

Technology change in vehicle industry – single vehicle vs. co-operative vehicle control: different development environment is required

Decision of Hungarian Government in 2016: „contribution to the European automotive community”

Test field for classic and automated and connected vehicles in Hungary



Co-operating industrial partners in requirement definition

Industry demand is fulfilled

Automotive Working Group, 2015:

Almotive, AVL, BME GJT, BOSCH, Commsignia, Knorr-Bremse, Continental, EVOPRO, NKH, NI, SZTAKI, ThyssenKrupp Presta, TÜV Rheinland, ZF

- Detailed **technical specification** of the classic elements of vehicle dynamics and physical structure of the automated vehicle tests
- Draft **specification of the autonomous environment** and related communication infrastructure
- Technical proposal for autonomous vehicle **public road testing**

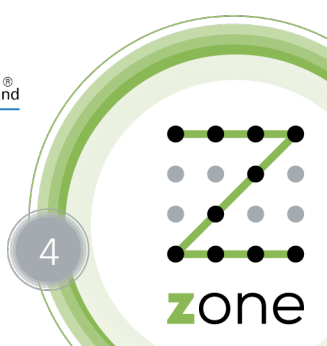
ICT Working Group, 2017:

BME HIT, BME KJIT, BPC, Ericsson, HUAWEI, Kapsch, Magyar Közút, Magyar Telekom, NFM, NMHH, Nokia, Oracle, RWE, Siemens, SWARCO, T-Systems, Vodafone (compared to the new members of the automotive working group)

- Detailed specification of the autonomous vehicle environment and related **communication infrastructure**



Status of the project



Layout of the Proving Ground

Traditional and CAV testing modules

Area: **265 ha**

Budget: **140 million EUR**

Standard vehicle dynamics testing and validation

Fully integrated autonomous vehicle testing and validation

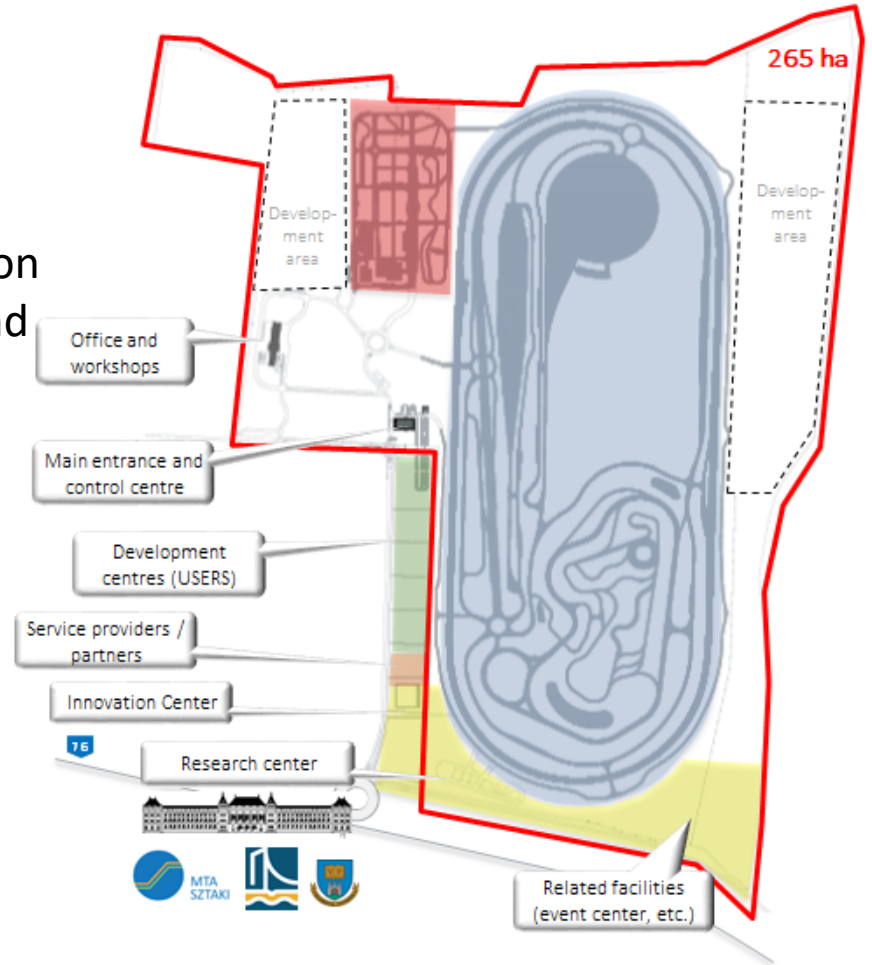
Environment preparation (obstacles, traffic signs, traffic control, other vehicles, vulnerable road users, etc.)

Complex driving and traffic situations

Smart City features

From prototype testing till series production testing and validation

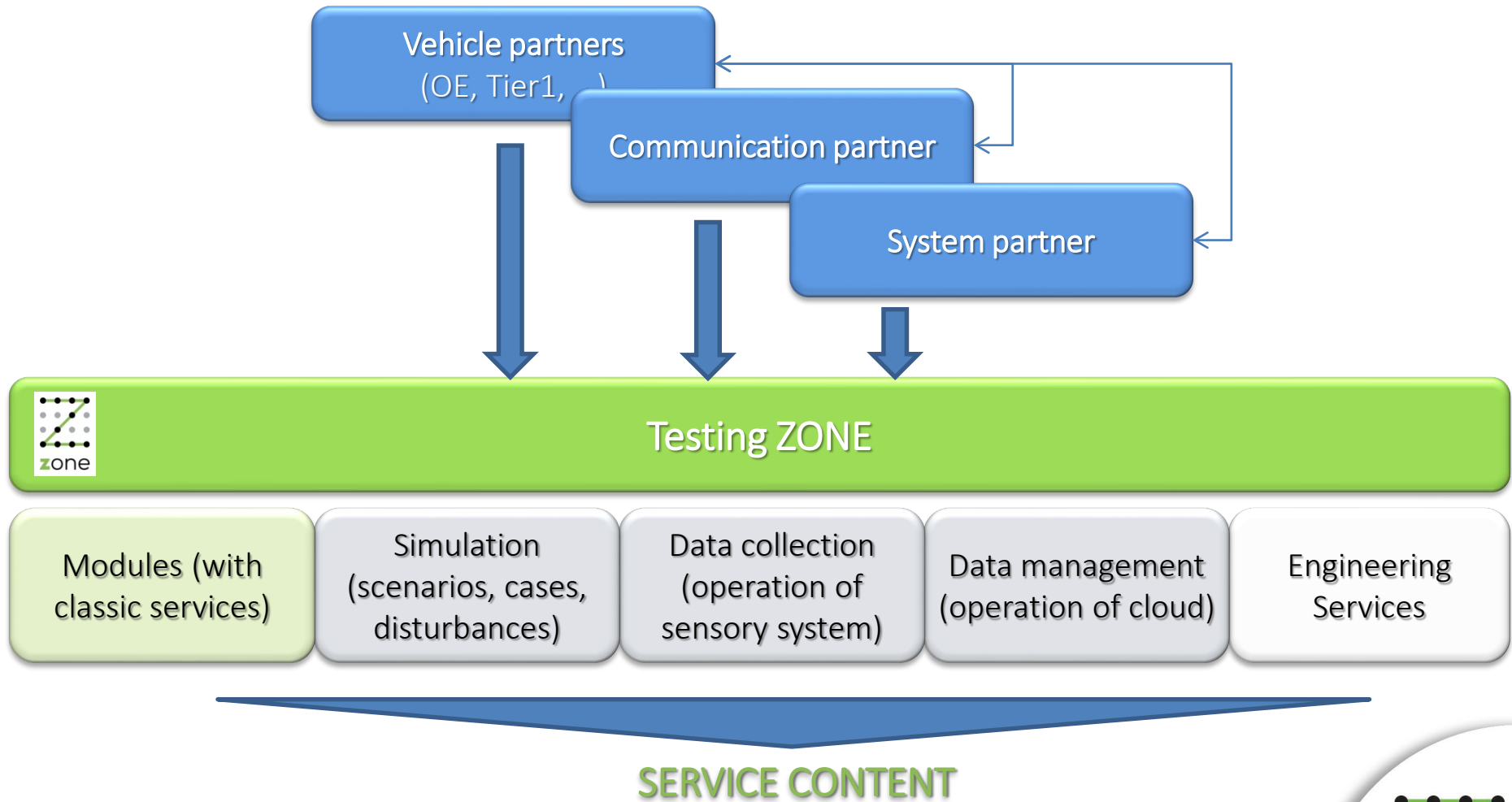
- Not only automotive but telecom and IT test environment
- Not only road traffic but drone traffic, recovery and counter drone activities
- **8+1 Unique Testing Propositions**



Source: Szalay et al, PerPol TraspEng 2017

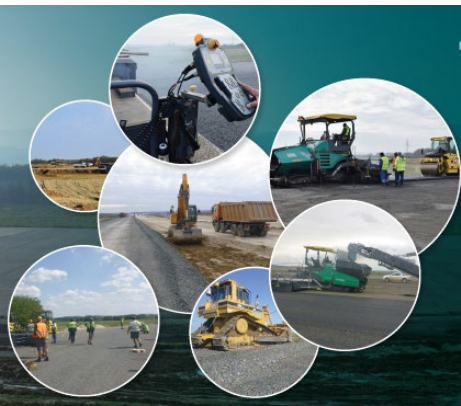
Business & Operation Model

Operation models will change



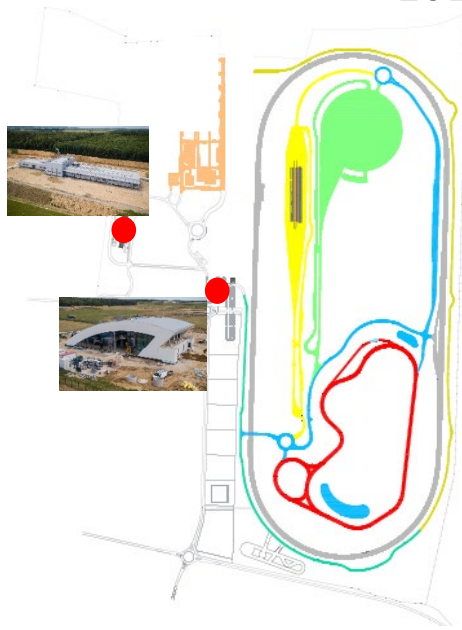


PROJECT DEVELOPMENT



Phases of the project

Phase 1: 2018



- Dynamic platform
 - Braking surfaces
 - Handling course – high speed
 - Smart City basic road grid I
 - Main entrance building
 - Technical building
- (Innovation center – by industrial park)*

Phase 2.a: 2019



- Dynamic platform
- Smart City basic road grid
- Braking surfaces
- Handling course – high speed
- Rural road – Eastern section
- Smart City road grid II, facades, buildings
- Highway section
- Rural road – Eastern section
- Main entrance building
- Technical building
- Control center

Phase 2.b: 2020



- Dynamic platform
- Smart City basic road grid
- Braking surfaces
- Handling course – high speed
- Rural road – Eastern section
- Smart City facades, buildings
- Highway section
- Rural road – Southern section
- Handling course – low speed
- Smart City technology+
- Further dynamic modules
- High-speed oval
- Main entrance building
- Technical building
- Control center
- Research center

Proving Ground benchmarks



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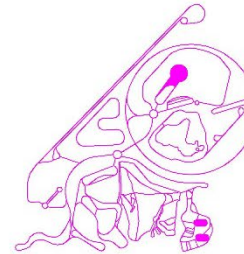
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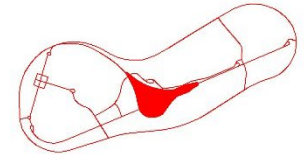
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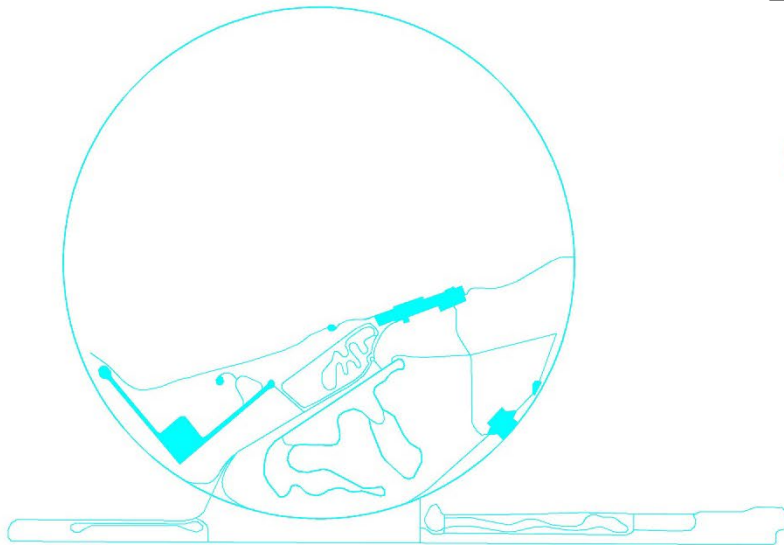
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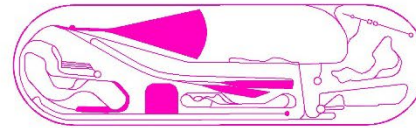
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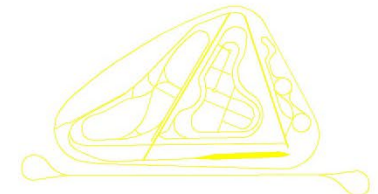
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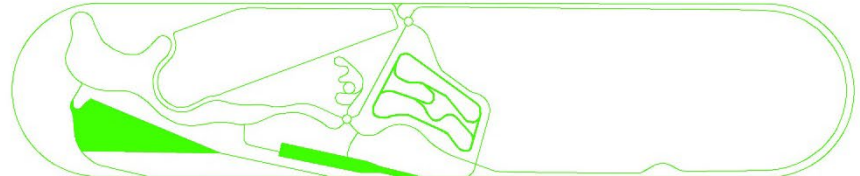
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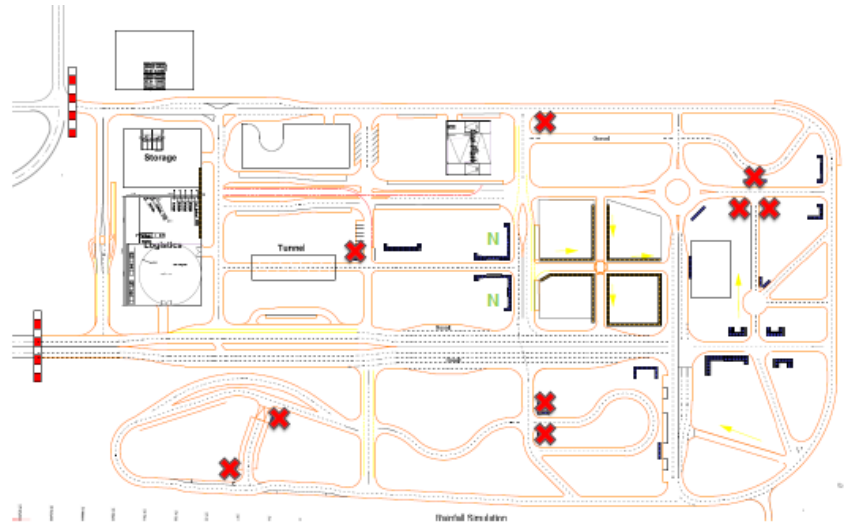
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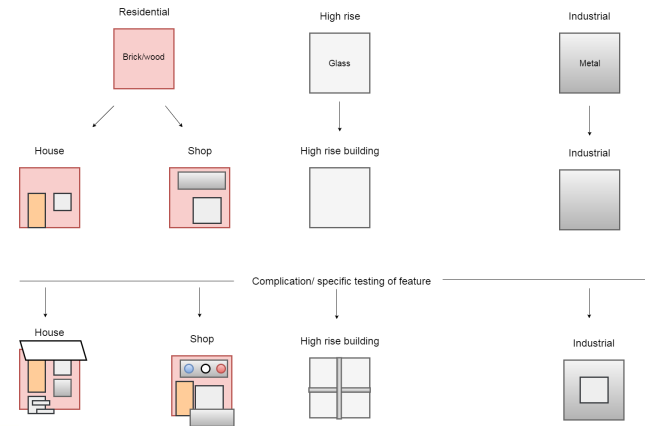
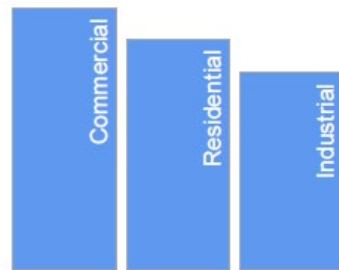
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Construction of Complex Test Scenarios

SMART City Zone – Buildings

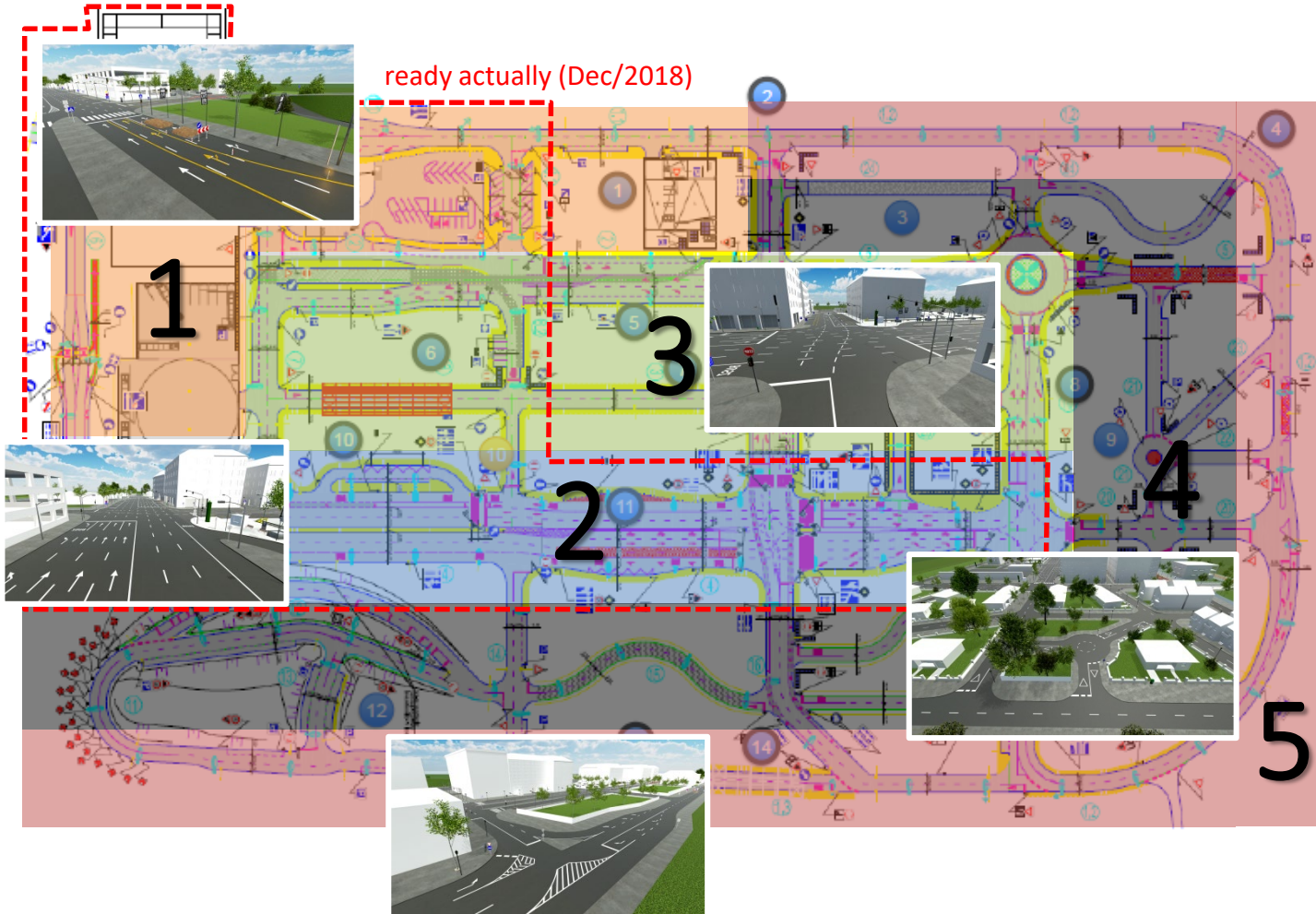


- Urban
 - High rise / office
 - Townhouse
 - Shop
- Sub-urban
 - Detached house
- Rural
 - Cottage
- Industrial
 - Warehouse
 - Hanger



Proving Ground Modules

SMART City Zone – Separated Function Zones



1. Low-speed, parking area
2. Multi-lane high speed area
3. Downtown area
4. Suburban area
5. T-junction area

Proving Ground modules

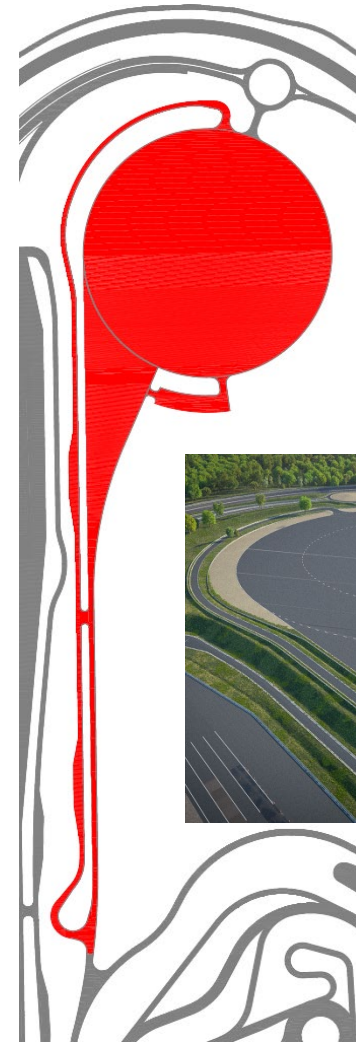
Dynamic platform

Physical parameters:

- 300m diameter asphalt surface
- Acceleration lane 760m and 400m long
- 20m wide FIA emergency area
- Watered surface (optional)
- Watered basalt surface at eas acceleration lane (phase 2.)
- 1% inclination to south
- Separated return way

Autonomous vehicle test cases:

- Platooning at free trajectory
- Cooperative vehicle control at high and medium μ with different trajectories (double lane change, J-turn etc.) at stability limit (ABS, ESP activity)
- Fix position obstacle (dummy car or pedestrian)
- Euro NCAP scenarios

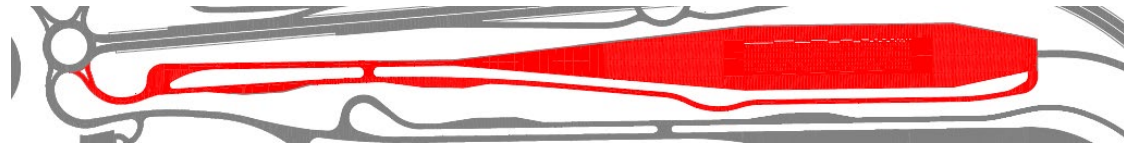


Proving Ground modules

Braking platform

Physical parameters:

- 8 different surfaces:
 - *Chess surface: asphalt/tiles*
 - *Asphalt $\mu_e \sim 1$ (optional watering)*
 - *Tiles $\mu_e \sim 0.1$ (wet)*
 - *Blue basalt $\mu_e \sim 0.3$ (wet)*
 - *Asphalt $\mu_e \sim 0.8$ (optional watering)*
 - *Treated concrete $\mu_e \sim 0.6$ (wet)*
 - *Asphalt $\mu_e \sim 0.8$ (reserve surface)*
 - *Aquaplaning basin (max. 5cm wet depth)*
- 200m surface length
- 750m acceleration lane
- 20m safety area at both side, 150m at the end



Autonomous vehicle test cases:

- *Platooning at physical limits*; drive through or braking at various surfaces up to high speed
- *Cooperative vehicle control at physical limit*, moving or static obstacle, at various speeds during ABS, ATC, ESP activity

Proving Ground modules

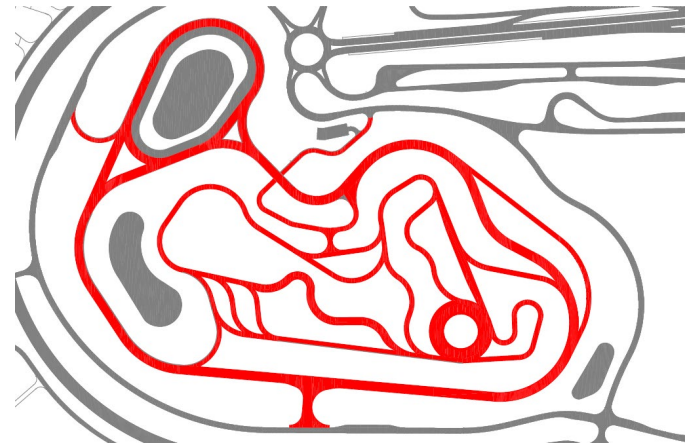
Handling course

Physical parameters:

- Low (60km/h) and high speed (120km/h) section
- 1.300m and 2000m length
- width: 6 and 12m
- 20m wide gravel covered safety zones
- Various topography
- V2X coverage for communication tests at various terrain

Autonomous vehicle test cases:

- Platooning at medium speeds at diverse topography
- Cooperative vehicle control at diverse topography and limited visibility



Proving Ground modules

Rural road

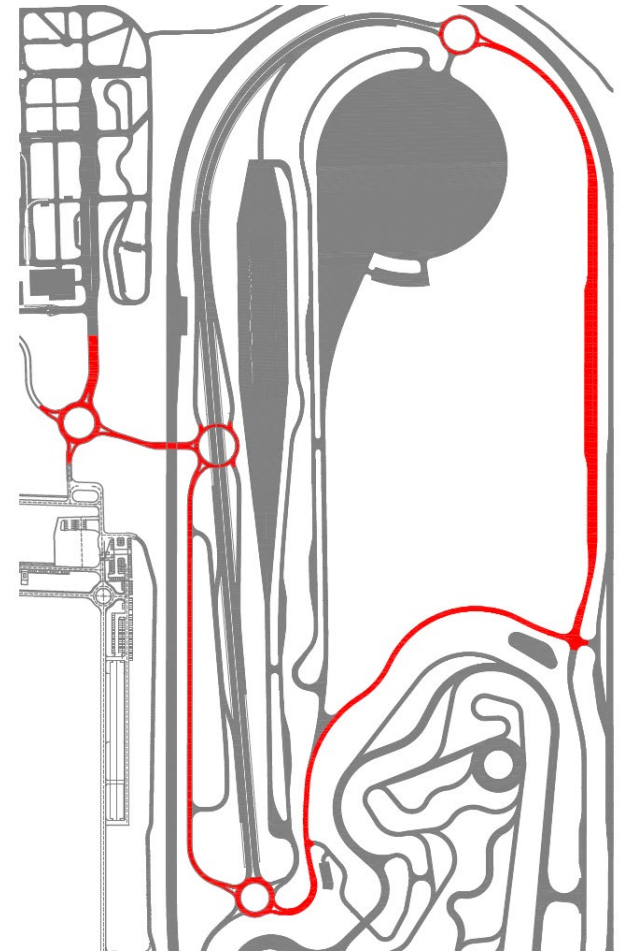
Physical parameters:

- 500m 2x2 lane motorway
- 2500m 2x1 lane rural road
- Partly watered surface
- 5G test network
- V2X communication coverage
- GPS base station
- Public road like layout (junctions, road surface, geometry)



Autonomous vehicle test cases:

- Platooning on rural road at realistic conditions, various type of junctions, roundabouts
- Diverse lane layout: 2x1, 2x2, 2+1,
- Diverse topography
- Moving and static obstacles
- Construction site situation
- Various road side elements: trees, fences, grass etc.



Proving Ground modules

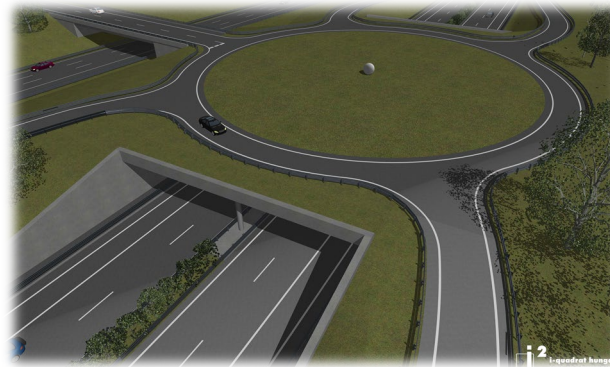
Motorway

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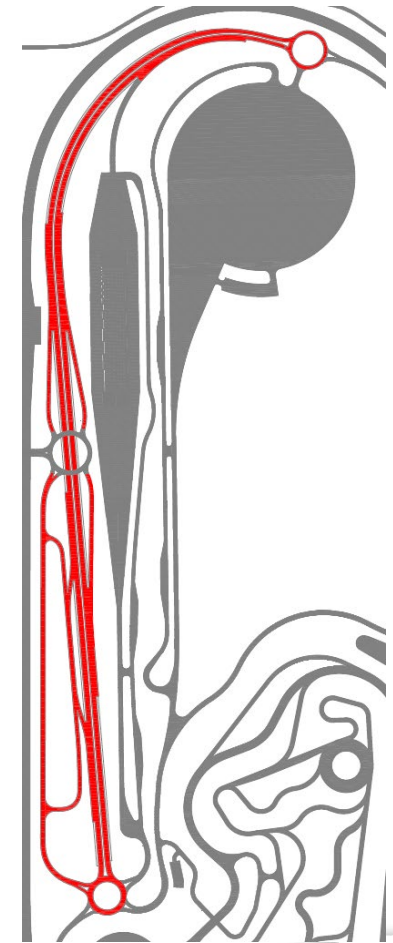
- 1500m 2 x 2+1 lane motorway
- 100m real tunnel
- Partly watered surface
- VMS, 5G test network
- V2X communication coverage
- GPS base station
- Public road like layout (junctions, road surface, geometry)

Autonomous vehicle test cases:

- Platooning on motorway at realistic conditions, exits and entrances
- Platooning and cooperative control with limited communication (tunnel)
- Moving and static obstacles
- Construction site situation
- Multi level junction



Project Phase 1 2017-2018



Proving Ground modules

High-speed oval

Parameters:

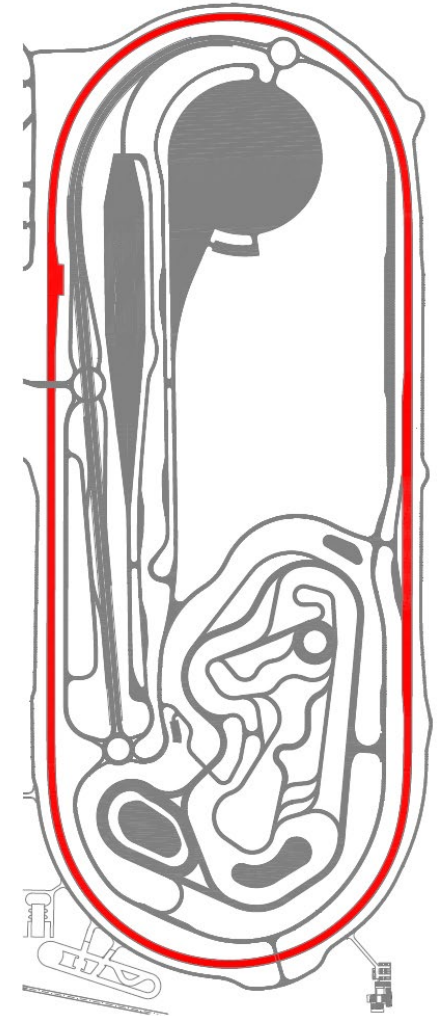
4.400m length

- 900m straight sections
- 350m curve radius
- 200km/h neutral speed at curves
- max. 250km/h at straights
- 1% inclination to south
- 4 lanes



Autonomous vehicle test cases:

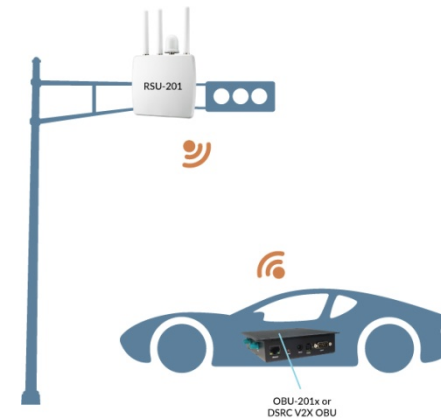
- **Platooning** at high speed motorway situations
- **Cooperative** vehicle control at high speed
- Fix position and moving **obstacles** (dummy car or pedestrian)
- **V2I, V2V** communication tests at high vehicle speed



Proving Ground modules

Communication network

- **3 level approach:**
 - 1st level: **ITS G5** basic V2X test environment
 - 2nd level: V2X developer environment: **freely configurable**, open interface for application developers, full data logging infrastructure
 - 3rd level: fully **customer defined** test environment
- **5G cellular** test network for future ITS applications
- **Redundant layout** for parallel customer networks





Test + simulation

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ZALAEGRSZEG



REALITY
VALÓSÁG

INTELLIGENCE
INTELLIGENCIA



AUTOMATED TESTS
AUTOMATIZÁLT TESZTEK



SIMULATION
SZIMULÁCIÓ



VIRTUALITY
VIRTUALITÁS



PROVING GROUND



Education, Research&Innovation



RECAR Program

- **RE**search **C**enter for **A**utonomous **R**oad vehicles (RECAR)
- Market Demand
 - Global trends and timing in automotive development
 - 4 OEMs and 15 TIER1s are in Hungary
 - Continuous need for qualified engineers
- Education and R&D initiatives - multidisciplinary cooperation
 - Academic sphere (BME, ELTE, MTA SZTAKI)
 - BME VIK, KJK, ÉPK, GPK
 - Industrial partners (Bosch, Knorr-Bremse, Continental)
- RECAR Education Program
 - **Autonomous Vehicle Control Engineer** MSc in English
 - **Computer Science for Autonomous Systems** MSc in English
 - **Vehicle Test Engineer** BProf in Hungarian

Autonomous Vehicle Control Engineer MSc

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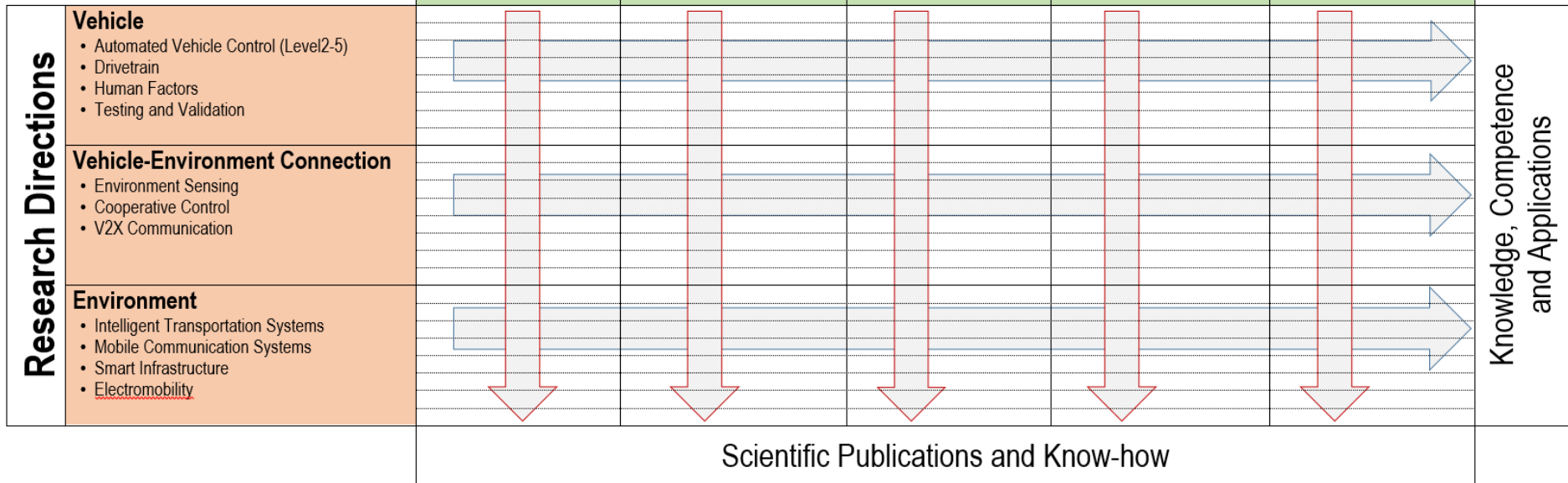
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3	ELTE	BME	BME	
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5	Control theory and system dynamics	High performance microcontrollers and interfaces	Project management	
6	Bokor József-Gáspár Péter	Tevesz Gábor		
7	BME	BME	BME	
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9	Intelligent systems	Human factors in traffic environment	Machine vision	
10	Dobrowiecki Tadeusz		Szirányi Tamás	
11	BME	ELTE	BME	
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13	Compensation block	Legal framework of autonomous vehicles	Safety and security in vehicle industry	
14		Localization and mapping	Ságghi Balázs	
15		Barsi Árpád	2 0 0 f 3 SZT KJIT	
16		BME	Design and integration of embedded systems	
17		EMK	Majzik István	
18			2 1 0 v 3 SZT VIK	
19		Autonomous robots and vehicles	Traffic modelling, simulation and control	
20		Kiss Bálint	Varga István	
21		BME	BME	
22		2 1 0 v 4 SZT VIK	2 0 2 f 4 SZT KJIT	
23		Automotive environment sensors	Automotive network and comm. systems	
24		Bécsi Tamás	Szalay Zsolt	
25		BME	BME	
26	6 0 6 f 12 SZV BME	2 0 2 v 5 SZI KJIT	2 0 2 v 4 SZI GJT	
27	Vehicle dynamics	Automated driving systems	Automated vehicle design project	
28	Németh Huba	Szalay Zsolt	Gáspár Péter	
29	BME		BME	
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RECAR research program



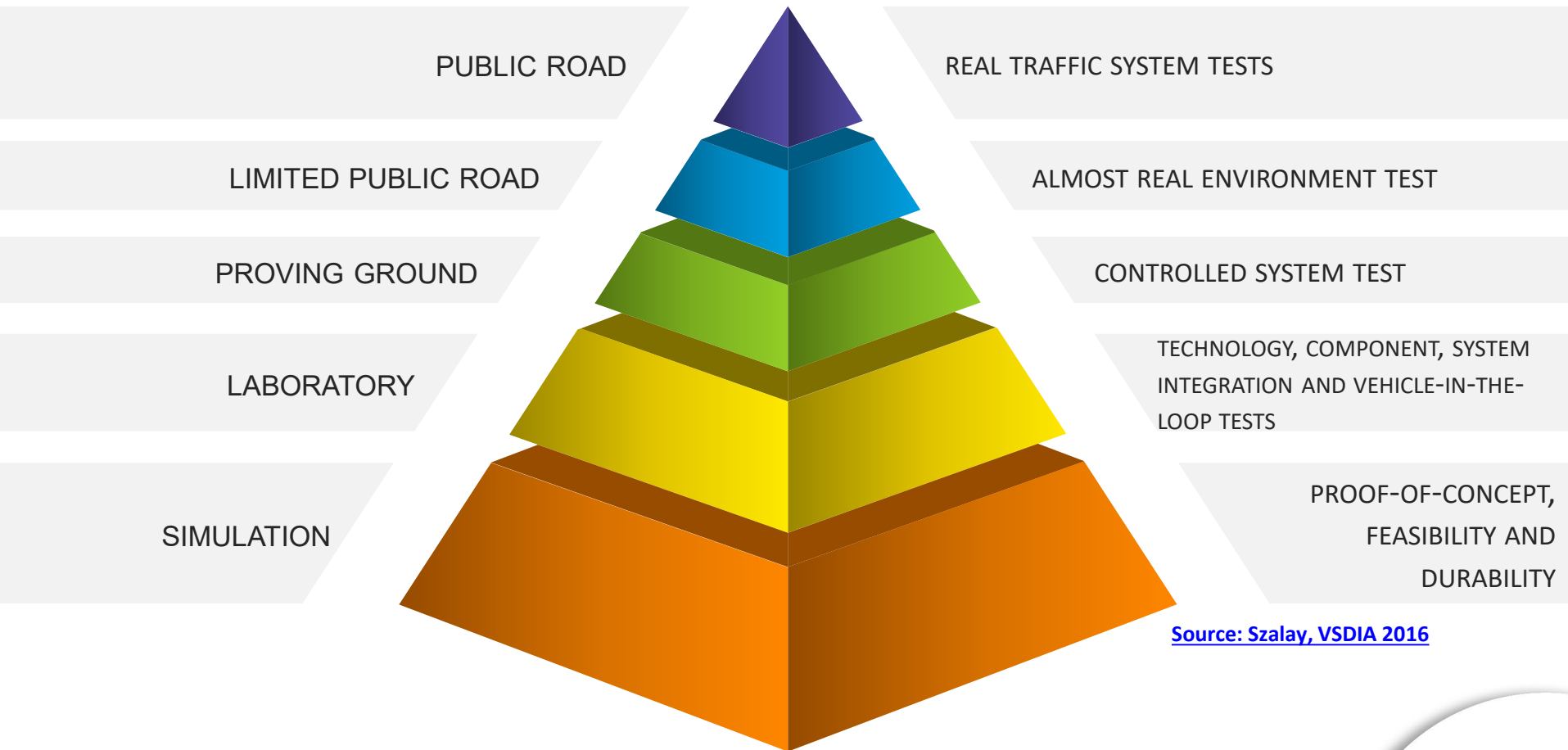
Scientific Areas

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Multi-level testing environment

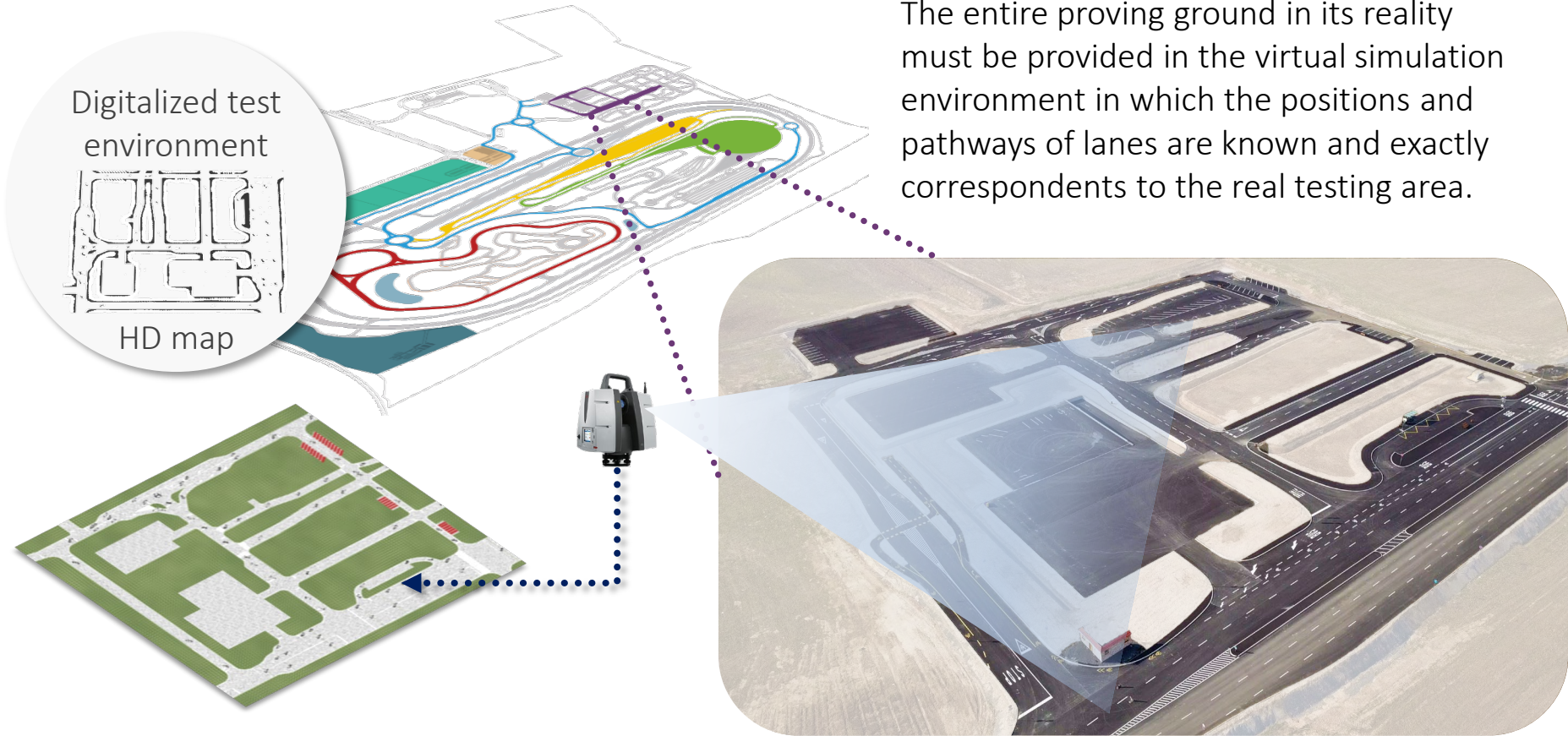
From computer to real traffic



Autonomous Vehicle Testing & Validation Pyramid

Scenario-in-the-Loop concept

Digitalized test environment



The entire proving ground in its reality must be provided in the virtual simulation environment in which the positions and pathways of lanes are known and exactly corresponds to the real testing area.

To create this, the most effective way is surveying the track using laser scanning technology and generate a high definition 3D point cloud [9]. The results of the surveying should be readable for most simulation software, and therefore the “point cloud” must be converted into widely used industrial standards such as OpenDrive™ or OpenCRG™ or other open source file formats.

Scenario-in-the-Loop concept

The tested vehicle and its localization

Vehicle Under Test



The investigation of the Vehicle Under Test (VUT) or ego vehicle is the main target of the test scenario.

The VUT can be split in two groups depending on its SAE automation level.

If the ego vehicle falls below automation Level2 then the maneuver should be performed for good reproducibility by a driverless test system (DTS)

Above automation Level2 the tested ego vehicle has a certain self-driving capability and able to drive from location A to location B within the proving ground.

Localization



The VUT has to be registered with high precision by the traffic simulation as an active road user, which requires at least 2 cm accuracy in positioning. Currently by mounting an inertial measurement unit (IMU) linked with a differential GNSS to the real car, its position on the test track can be located with the desired accuracy. The combination of the IMU and DGNSS are commonly referred to as inertial satellite sensors (INS).

Scenario-in-the-Loop concept

Disturbances

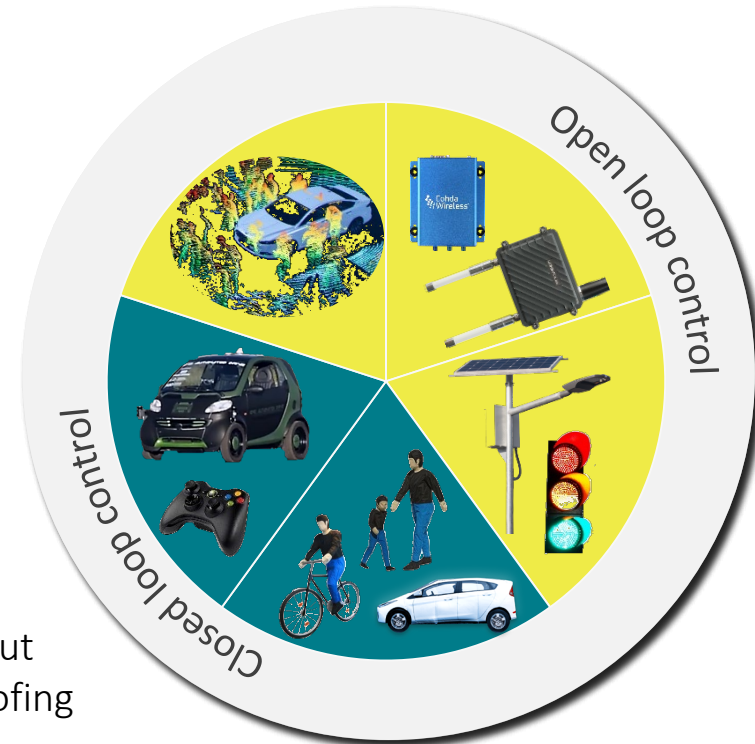
The outputs of SciL processes are the potential disturbances, ergo every element which can affect the VUT's behavior.

There are five main type of disturbances:

- VUT Sensor spoofing
- V2X communication spoofing
- Infrastructure elements
- Moveable targets
- Full-control real vehicles

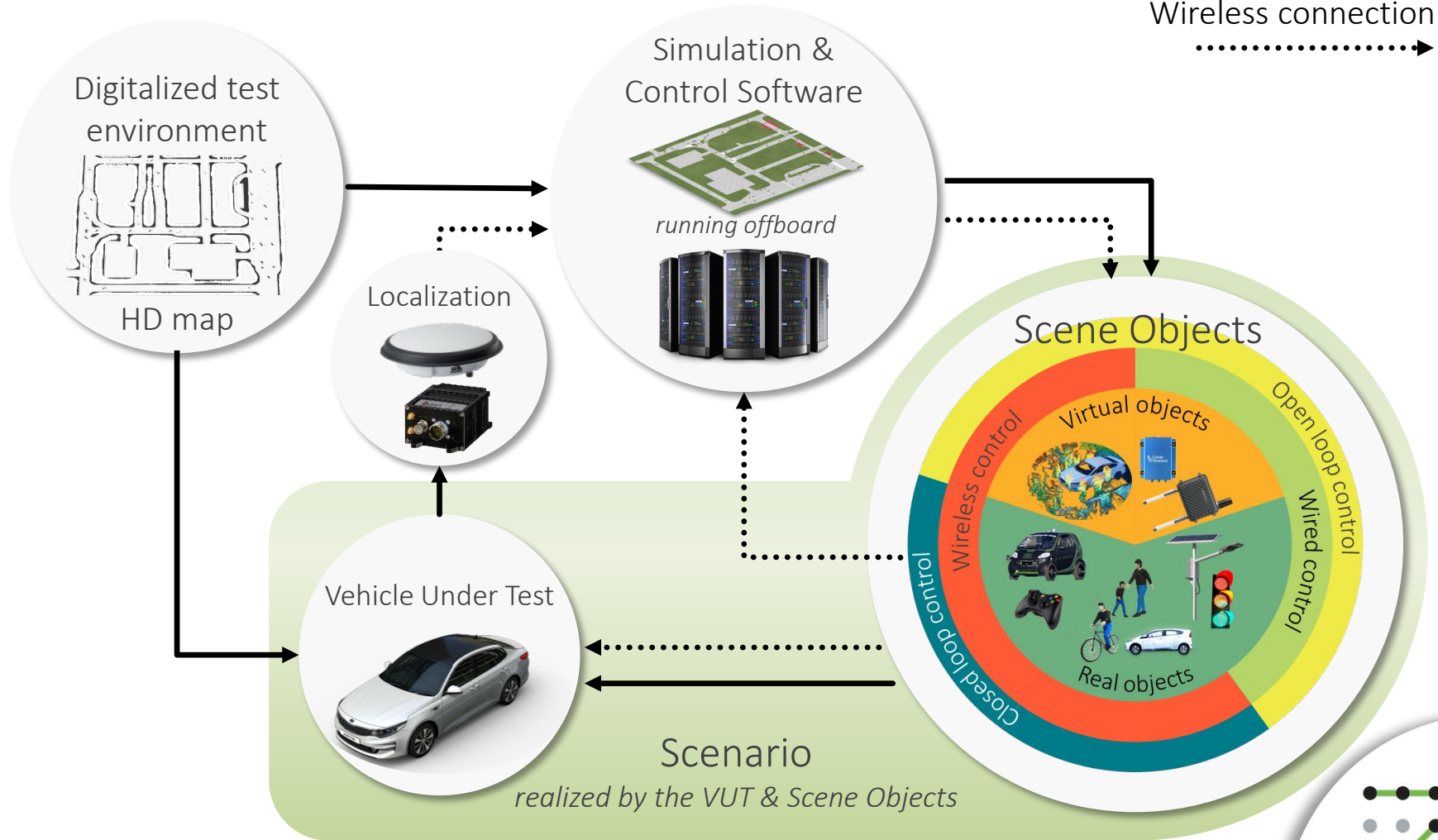
The disturbances can be categorized by three aspects:

- Real or virtual objects
Real object can be perceived by the VUT own sensors, but virtual objects required sensor and communication spoofing
- Controlled by wire or wireless
The communication between the disturbances and the control software can be carried out by wireless communication or directly by wire.
- Closed or open loop control
The real-time acquiring of the actual status and position of the movable objects are also necessary for the continuous control of the defined scenario.



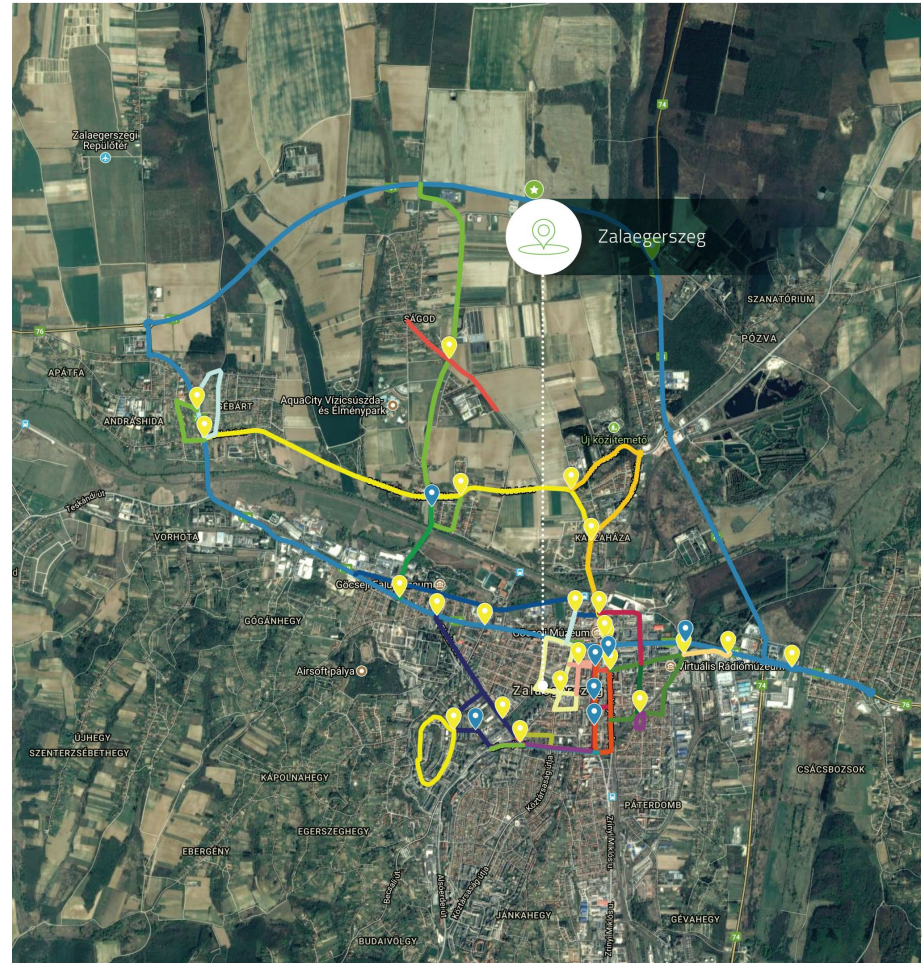
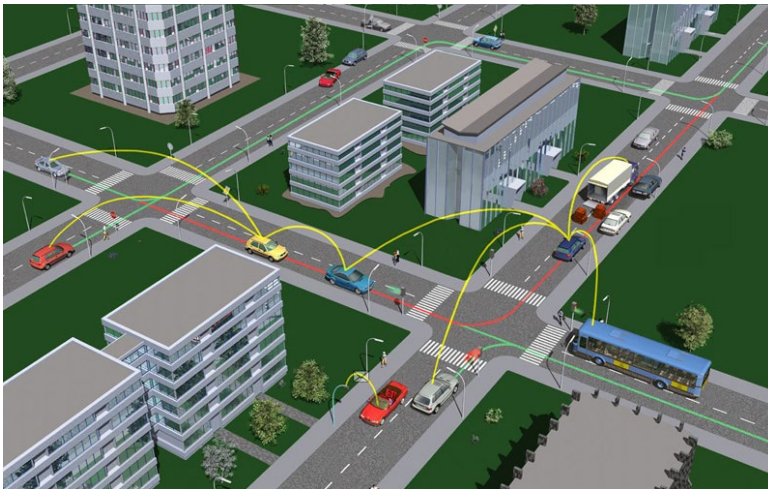
Scenario-in-the-Loop concept

Architecture (operating principle)



Layer 4 - Limited Public Road Tests

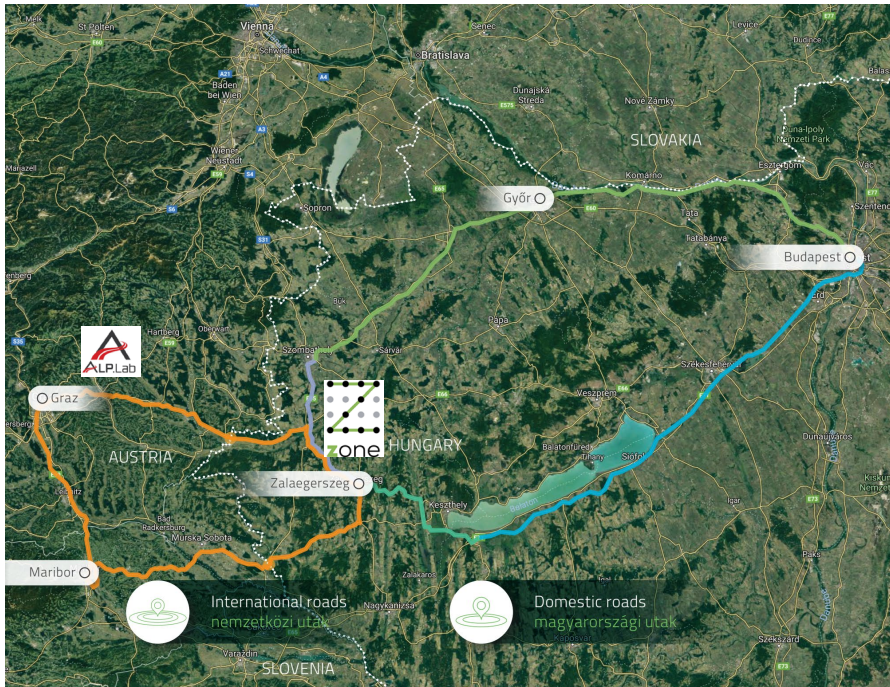
- Dedicated Test Routes
- 5G Demo Network
- ITS G5 Coverage
- Smart City and Connected Car features



Layer 5 - Public Road Testing

Today...

Public road tests are allowed in Hungary since 12th of April 11/2017. (IV.12.) NFM decree (5/1990, 6/1990 KöHÉM)
Anywhere in Hungary for automotive R&D companies



... and tomorrow

Specific routes on public road with enhanced services for CAV tests

Integration to Proving Ground in Zalaegerszeg

Smart city zone in Zalaegerszeg

Part of cross-border cooperation between Zalaegerszeg-Graz-Maribor

- 2018 Q2: M7 highway
- 2019: M70
- 2020: Zalaegerszeg smart city
- 2021-2022: R76 highway

- ZalaZONE Construction Status



Education and Research
Smart Road Infrastructure
Infocommunication Technologies
Legislation and Standardization

Working Groups



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Tender/financial support

Secretariat

Mátyás HESZ

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Nándor ÖTVÖS

Automotive Industry

- Proving Ground
- Univ. Research C.
- Industrial R&D C.
- Technology Park
- Next-door Services

Zoltán HAMAR

Public Road Infrastructure

- Road
M76, M7, M70
Cross-border
TEN-T
- Smart Test City
- C-ROADS
- CROCODILE

Tamás A. TOMASCHEK

Legislation

- Automotive/Telco
- International
GEAR 2030
- Hungarian
5/1990, 6/1990
EKTB

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Vehicle Communication

- V2X-ITS G5
- Cellular (4G/5G)
- Smart City
- C-ITS Platform

Dr. László BOKOR

Data Management

- Data
Storage
Access (Privacy)
Analytics

Dr. Gábor MAGYAR

Vehicle Localization

- HD Maps
- Static, Semi-static,
Semi-Dynamic,
Dynamic Layers

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Homologation

- Type approval
- International
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ISO

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