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NEW - Periodical Newsletter on CALM

With this issue, the CALM network introduces a newsletter which will appear in 3 to 4 issues per year.

The newsletters contain information about CALM activities and outcomes, useful hints for international events related to environmental noise, news in the field of European noise

legislation and other noise and research related items.

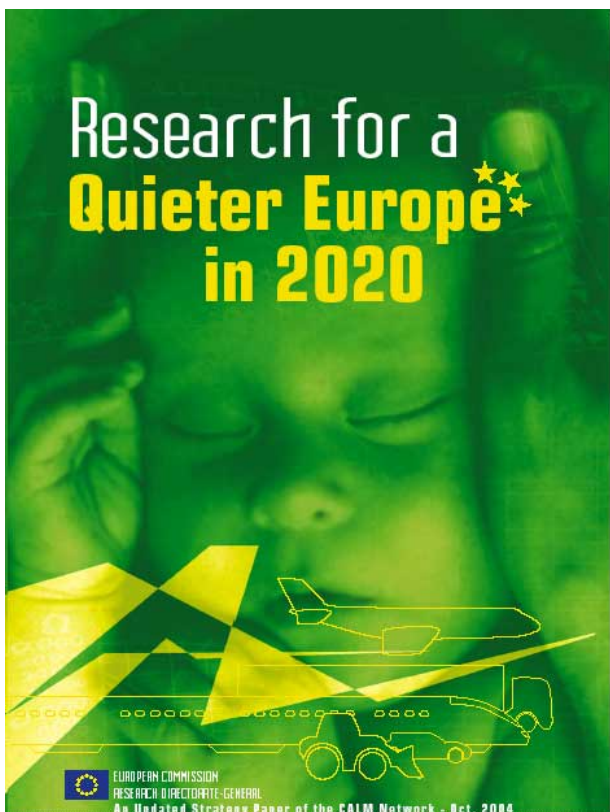
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What is CALM ?

The project "Coordination of European Research for Advanced Transport Noise Mitigation" with the acronym "CALM II" is a so-called Coordination Action within the Sixth

Framework Programme (FP6) of the European Commission. It is based on the activities and results of the completed FP5 project "Community Noise Research Strategy Plan" ("CALM I", from Oct. 2001 to Oct. 2004). The aim of CALM II is the enhanced and cross-sectoral coordination of the European transport noise research with a high involvement of the most relevant stakeholders. Thus it facilitates the networking of organisations, the coordination of activities and the exchange and dissemination of knowledge.

The background for CALM is the burden of high environmental noise in general, and in particular, the introduction of the environmental noise directive 2002/49/EC calling for a high degree of coordinated research in the field of environmental noise.



Further Information - General:
<http://www.calm-network.com>

Further Information - Strategy Paper 2004:
http://www.calm-network.com/index_reports.htm

CALM Workshop on “Research Priorities for Noise Mitigation in Urban Areas”

The workshop was held in Brussels on 18th Oct. 2005. The objective of the workshop was to elaborate the research priorities in the fields of noise abatement measures, noise effects and cost-benefit aspects under special consideration of the cities' point of view. The workshop was laid out as a one-day event with a rather small audience of 30 invited persons for a good efficiency of the workshop. In the morning sessions, presentations about strategies for cities, noise mapping and some case studies on noise action planning in Europe were given.

The afternoon sessions were used to work out and discuss the most relevant research needs and priorities in the fields of noise mitigation in cities.

The workshop report including all presentations is available on the CALM website as indicated below.

The results of the workshop shall contribute to the general efforts to provide support for the cities concerning the noise action planning in future as required in the environmental noise directive 2002/49/EC. In addition, the workshop results will serve also as input for the updating of the CALM Strategy Paper which is planned for 2006.

Further information and workshop report: http://www.calm-network.com/index_preports.htm

Inventory of Noise Research Projects

CALM is preparing a booklet with an inventory of the most relevant noise research projects in Europe. The inventory covers current and completed projects not older than five years. The booklet includes a CD with the same project contents but providing also different kinds of search means for quick access to the

information of interest. The booklet is planned to be issued in spring 2006.

Please observe the information on: www.calm-network.com.

Future Noise Events

The following information is only a selection and may not be considered as a complete list of next events.

- Specific CALM Workshop in Brussels on 16th March 2006 (<http://www.calm-network.com/>)
- DAGA '06 in Braunschweig from 20th to 23rd March 2006 (<http://www.daga2006.de>)
- Euronoise 2006 in Tampere from 30th May to 1st June 2006 (<http://www.euronoise2006.org>)

- Transport Research Arena TRA2006 in Gothenburg from 14th to 17th June 2006 (<http://www.traconference.com>)

See also:

http://www.calm-network.com/index_calendar.htm

<http://paginas.fe.up.pt/~carvalho/congressos.htm>