Zoom Chat MAC Research Forum 6 December

12:59:27   From Karin Henriksson, VREF : Hi everyone and welcome! We are about to start in a few minutes!

12:59:43   From Enoch Sam : Thank you

13:02:27   From Iddrisu Seidu : My name is Iddrisu Seidu from KNUST, Kumasi, Ghana.

13:03:00   From Savannah Harvett : Hi all! We finally have some much needed rain in South Africa today :)))

13:04:23   From Karin Henriksson, VREF : Welcome all, please check in here in the chat – with your name and where you are joining from?

13:05:47   From Savannah Harvett : Savannah Harvett and Prof Christo Venter from South Africa

13:06:24   From Mary Mwangi : Mary Mwangi, Limuru, Kenya

13:06:54   From Enoch Sam : Hello, Enoch F. Sam, University of Education, Winneba, Ghana. I'm glad to be here. Looking forward to today's presentations

13:07:06   From Helen Morrissey : Helen Morrissey, South African living in Oxford, UK

13:07:19   From Dickson Githere Njenga : D.Githere Njenga - Kenya

13:07:20   From Mark Zuidgeest : Dr Obiora Nnene and Prof Mark Zuidgeest - University of Cape Town, from the Irma Stern museum in Rosebank (Cape Town).

13:07:47   From Robert Ambunda : Hello Everyone. Robert Ambunda - University of Namibia (Namibia)

13:07:55   From Kiara Lawrence : Hi everyone! Kiara Lawrence, Durban University of Technology, South Africa

13:08:09   From Yvonne Moseti : Hello, Yvonne Moseti, Kisii Municipality, Kenya

13:34:40   From George Ukam : Wonderful Work reported and good presentation Dr. Obiora. Please can you talk us through how you were able to get stops on the GTFS knowing that paratransits stop on demand along the routes and do so quite frequently.

13:34:54   From Karin Henriksson, VREF : Reacted to "Wonderful Work repor..." with 👍

13:36:10   From Enoch Sam : Reacted to "Wonderful Work repor..." with 👍

13:37:47   From Gift Dumedah : Very good presentation, Obiora. You are right about the differences in the accessibility levels for different communities. Perhaps, you could clarify how individual accessibility needs are being incorporated in your model.
13:39:12   From Enoch Sam : Reacted to "Very good presentati..." with 👍

13:39:34   From Karin Henriksson, VREF : Thank you Obiora and Lourens for a great start of this Research Forum!

13:42:21   From Samuel Ajayi : Great presentation Dr. Obiora

13:42:56   From Obiora Nnene : Reacted to "Great presentation..." with 👍

13:49:04   From Jacqueline Klopp : Great to see the creation of data and engagement with GTFS. it would be great to share this work and eventually the data on DigitalTransport4Africa.org

13:52:37   From Mark Zuidgeest : Reacted to "Great to see the cre..." with 👍

13:59:39   From Gladys Nyachieo : Good presentation

14:00:10   From Karin Henriksson, VREF : Great presentation Gift, Iddrisu and Albert – Thank you!

14:00:18   From Enoch Sam : Great presentation, Gift and Obiora

14:01:01   From Karin Henriksson, VREF : Everyone, please use the chat to post questions that can be adressed at the end during our plenary discussion!

14:07:24   From Jane Summerton, VREF : Mark (and all), thanks for your reliability in always having relevant comments, and you are welcome to add to the discussion of Christo's work later!

14:17:44   From Jacqueline Klopp : Very cool. How did you select participants in the workshops/

14:17:56   From Jacqueline Klopp : ?

14:18:57   From Helen Morrissey : Hi Christo - this looks like very interesting work. I am interested in how the routes mapped here compare with the route authorities at the regulatory entity? I know that, in the WC at least, the routes recorded by the PRE are landmark-based (and there has been some mapping for the provincial dept by a private company). Do you know how much discrepancy there is between the licenced routes and these routes?

14:19:03   From Lanoi Maloiy : Christo great presentation - was there a difference between men and women commuters in terms of the information they needed or wanted to map out?

14:19:11   From Jacqueline Klopp : And how did you do follow up… ie provide the maps- where did people want to see the maps… we did something similar in Nairobi…

14:20:13   From Savannah Harvett : @Jacqueline Klopp We used peer researchers to acquire participants for workshops. The idea behind this was peer researchers are from the community and people they select will trust them as they know them, making them more comfortable to participate in co-design workshops (in brief)

14:21:09   From Gift Dumedah : Very cool. How did you select participants in the workshops/ key stakeholders for public transport were selected: operators, regulators, users and local government representatives, driver unions, law enforcement and emergency services, and others

14:21:28   From Jacqueline Klopp : Interesting… thank you and how did you engage peer researchers?

14:22:16   From Jacqueline Klopp : I really like this engaged work -thanks Gift.

14:22:48   From Savannah Harvett : @Lanoi Maloiy We did not pick up differences between male and female participants needs in terms of designing the maps, which was interesting.

Instead, many similarities between the two areas worked in- such as heavy reliance on landmarks to navigate and explain routes.

14:23:09   From Iddrisu Seidu : Great presentation, Christo. I am interested in your work and just curious to know if the data collection process and project implementation were centered on Participatory Public GIS.

14:23:38   From Helen Morrissey : I am also interested in what sort of accessibility measure fits these needs best - do they mostly align with job-based trips, or are you finding that other types of trips are emerging as a considerable desire (care-based trips, for example)?

14:24:35   From Gift Dumedah : Interesting… thank you and how did you engage peer researchers? yes, we had peer researchers involved from other Universities but it is acknowledged that not all of them were able to come.

14:24:43   From Jacqueline Klopp : Women in Nairobi emphasized wanting good knowledge of where their specific vehicle was going and where to get off at night as a safety feature. Getting on the wrong vehicle at night was seen as risky. Thus, having map info on vehicles was seen as especially important by women.

14:30:04   From Gift Dumedah : Reacted to "Women in Nairobi emp..." with 👍🏽

14:31:12   From Savannah Harvett : @Jacqueline Klopp In Lab 1, we used a person we worked with last year (which this project follows on) who was an excellent manager of people and played a large role in the success of these workshops. The second peer researcher was someone who worked with the team before on unrelated work, who we believed would do well. Both of these people are from the townships we conducted the research in- having access to participants and knowing the area + transport routes well.

14:31:30   From Jacqueline Klopp : Reacted to "@Jacqueline Klopp In..." with 👍🏼

14:31:36   From Karin Henriksson, VREF : Great to see questions and dialogue here in the chat, I really look forward to the plenary discussion!

14:32:46   From Mary Mwangi : Interesting Presentation Christo!

14:33:08   From Gift Dumedah : Good work Christo and team.

14:33:23   From Jacqueline Klopp : Great presentations and work and they all speak nicely to each other. They almost belong in a special journal issue. I wonder what your publication plans are- would love to cite this work!

14:33:44   From Jacqueline Klopp : And share it

14:33:59   From Karin Henriksson, VREF : Reacted to "@Jacqueline Klopp In..." with 👍🏼

14:34:02   From Enoch Sam : Reacted to "And share it" with 👍🏼

14:34:14   From Karin Henriksson, VREF : Reacted to "Great presentations ..." with 👏🏽

14:34:21   From Savannah Harvett : Reacted to "Great presentations ..." with ❤️

14:37:42   From Karin Henriksson, VREF : Thank you Hannibal, your audio is a bit unclear, but we bear with you!

14:39:41   From Hannibal Bwire : The third question is on the level of detail of information need. What does this mean?

14:40:28   From Savannah Harvett : Co-design approach: to allow users to move from passive end-result users to active designers in map creation

14:40:52   From gina porter : Good to see the growing interest in peer research - there are significant ethical issues involved of course, especially when working with vulnerable groups - would be good to know   how issues round remuneration etc. were handled.

14:41:04   From Gift Dumedah : Reacted to "Co-design approach: ..." with 👍

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14:41:47   From Jane Summerton, VREF : Reacted to "Co-design approach: ..." with 👍
14:41:57   From Helen Morrissey : Hi Christo - I am very interested in what you just said - could you provide some examples of infrastructure that has been under-utilised by the taxis/drivers/owners/users/etc.?

14:42:04   From Jane Summerton, VREF : Reacted to "Good to see the grow..." with 👍

14:42:53   From Helen Morrissey : add 👍

14:43:33   From Gift Dumedah : Reacted to "The third question i..." with 👍

14:44:10   From Helen Morrissey : or - in fact - reapprorpriated

14:45:31   From Christo Venter : Is it too early to have a special issue of the African Transport Studies dedicated to collecting and using data in informal services?

14:46:44   From Gift Dumedah : Reacted to "Is it too early to h..." with 👍

14:47:03   From Obiora Nnene : Reacted to "Is it too early to..." with 👍

14:47:49   From Jane Summerton, VREF : Good thought, Christo. Maybe Mark Z can make a note and add it to his list of possibilities for our new ATS journal?

14:48:19   From Mark Zuidgeest : i already alerted Roger to discuss this.

14:48:42   From Jacqueline Klopp : Reacted to "i already alerted Ro..." with 👍

14:49:08   From Jane Summerton, VREF : Great, thanks Mark. There is indeed quite a bit of work in this area now.

14:50:54   From Savannah Harvett : @gina porter It is tough to share all we did around ethics and working with vulnerable communities in one short response, but for one example we gave each person a certificate at the end of the workshops, highlighting their participation in the project which they can add to their CV. Participants were extremely excited about this

to improve their CV and a few people asked at the end if I could be used as a reference for them.

14:50:59   From David Lindelöw, VREF : Thank you for introducing your ambitious and interesting projects! Unfortunately I have to leave for another meeting

14:51:17   From Mark Zuidgeest : we'll also check at the ATRC-2024 submissions. A special issue could also be initiated at the conference.

14:52:22   From Mark Zuidgeest : @Christo Venter Roger says it is a great idea.

14:53:06   From Jane Summerton, VREF : @gina porter and @savannah harvett, I think that your two projects could indeed have fruitful exchanges of experiences from using peer research methodologies in SSA.

14:53:56   From Jane Summerton, VREF : Great with this Special Issue initiative! We at VREF are happy to link in those researchers in the area whom we know about.

14:54:06   From Obiora Nnene : Sorry we have to vacte this venue in 7 minutes. Thanks everyone for listening and for the rich engagement and very big thanks to VREF for facilitating this forum. Thank you all

14:54:55   From Jane Summerton, VREF : Thanks Obiora and Mark for really great contributions today!

14:55:10   From Gift Dumedah : Reacted to "Great with this Spec..." with 👍

14:55:23   From Jacqueline Klopp : Where can people access the maps?

14:55:34   From Helen Morrissey : yeah thanks - that's great - I think it is short-sighted to fully delineate between work and other - so I like that it was just a matter of important places/landmarks

14:55:57   From Enoch Sam : Reacted to "Great with this Spec..." with ❤️

14:56:16   From Savannah Harvett : Reacted to "Great presentations ..." with 👍

14:56:25   From Savannah Harvett : Reacted to "yeah thanks - that's..." with 👍

14:56:34   From Jacqueline Klopp : Are you making the map available to anyone to download and blasting that out to people (this could be a question for everyone really..)

14:57:18   From Helen Morrissey : thanks!

14:57:33   From Jacqueline Klopp : Another approach is to show businesses and operators the map and have them help disseminate.

14:57:48   From Obiora Nnene : Reacted to "Thanks Obiora and ..." with 👍

14:57:54   From Jacqueline Klopp : Since it is beneficial to them…

14:58:01   From Helen Morrissey : i am writing a paper on the appropriation of taxi owners of tracking data for driver surveillance - so this is an interesting topic for me

14:58:26   From Christo Venter : Yes we plan to distribute the maps, also via operators and rank marshalls.

14:58:31   From Jacqueline Klopp : Interesting Helen… who owns the data is a key question about power.

14:58:59   From Christo Venter : The problem is of course that it will be outdated soon... so sustainable information models are a key question

14:59:01   From Karin Henriksson, VREF : Thank you all for contributing to a very fruitful Research Forum today! This recording will be shared via email and on LinkedIn. Keep the exchange and conversation going!

14:59:18   From Helen Morrissey : add ❤️

14:59:46   From Savannah Harvett : Reacted to "Thank you all for co..." with ❤️

15:00:14   From Helen Morrissey : if anyone here is working in on demand modes - an african perspective often missing - there is a special issue calling for papers: https://www.sciencedirect.com/journal/transportation-research-part-a-policy-and-practice/about/call-for-papers

15:00:41   From Jacqueline Klopp : Thanks Christo 👍 and yes updating is a key issue which is why we are trying to build enduring capacity via DT4A and lower the costs of updating….

15:00:47   From Samuel Ajayi : Thank you Helen

15:01:00   From Jacqueline Klopp : THANKS! Wonderful!!!

15:01:14   From Helen Morrissey : thanks!

15:01:52   From Ndivhuho Neluheni : Thank you Christo Venter, very interesting presentation. Especially acknowledging digital capability. This relate to capability approach developed by Naussbaum and integrated into transport planting. Kind regards Ndivhuho Neluheni Phd Candidate at University of Johannesburg. Urban and Regional Planning

15:02:48   From Ndivhuho Neluheni : Thanks for all the presantations.