FANTASIE Forecasting & Assessment of New Transport Technologies and Systems and their Impact on the Environment

<u>Technology forecasting and assessment</u> to support transport policy



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Overview

- **1. Introduction**
- 2. Technology Forecasting
- 3. Technology Assessment and Scenarios
- 4. Policy Implications





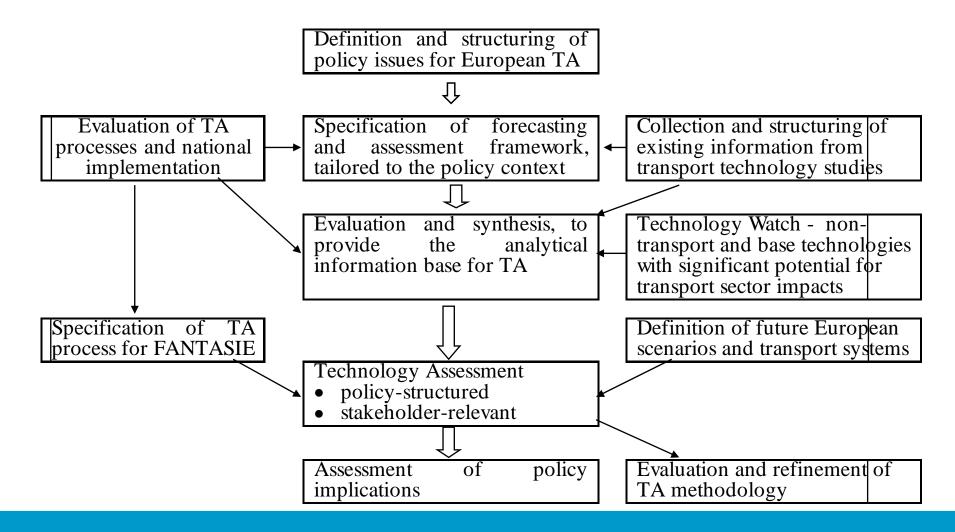
(1) Objectives

- Identification of significant future transport technologies
- Forecasting of future performance and market penetration
- Assessment of the transport technologies identified under different future scenarios with regard to transport policy objectives
- Identification of policy issues and needs for action emerging from identification, forecasting and assessment





(1) Project structure







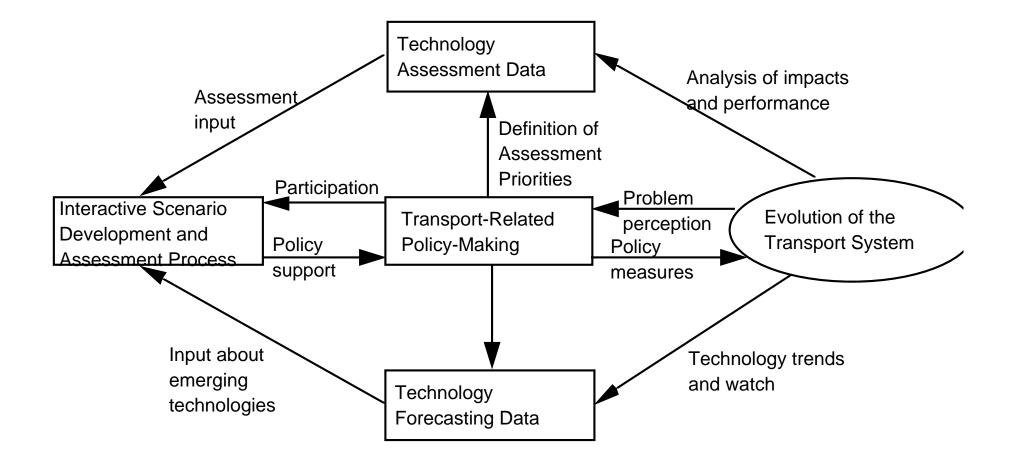
(1) The role of policy issues

- Specification of requirements and assessment dimensions
- Exogenous variables in scenarios (transport policy)
- Endogenous variables in scenarios (technology policy)
- Implications of forecasting and assessment results for transport policy





(1) Overview of TA, TF and policy







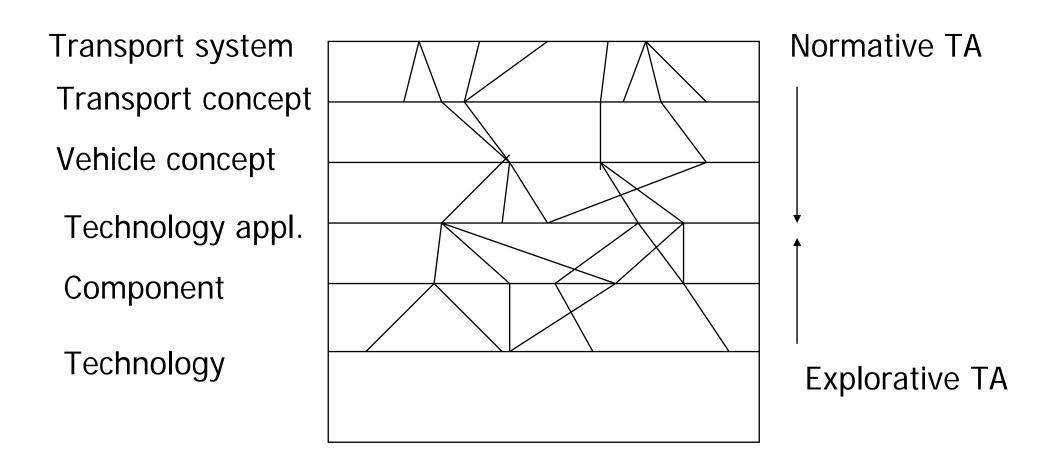
(2) Levels of the transport system

- Level 1 base technologies (e.g. silicon chip technology)
- Level 2 components (e.g. microprocessors)
- Level 3 technology applications (e.g. automatic vehicle guidance system)
- Level 4 vehicle concepts (e.g. urban car)
- Level 5 transport concepts (e.g. self-drive urban hire car system)
- Level 6 transport systems (e.g. multimodal/inter- modal European system)





Levels of technoloy and TA







(2) Levels of the transport system

Transport system (freight & passenger transport areas) Transport concepts (about 20) Vehicle concepts (about 25) **Technology** applications Components **Base technologies**





(2) Identification of new technologies

Data collection on technologies at different levels by

- Review of research studies
- Interviews
- Workshops

in order to establish future transport concepts.





(3) Assessment and policy issues

Assessment dimensions derived from an analysis of current and future policy requirements

- Common Transport Policy
- Cross DG transport-related policies
- Transport related policies in the MS
- Future and emerging requirements





(3) Main assessment dimensions

- 1. Specific dimensions
- Efficiency
- Environment
- Socio-economic
- Safety
- 2. Integrated dimensions
- Demand effects
- Intermodality
- Structural interdependencies

=> Aggregation by means of multicriteria analysis





(3) Assessment structure

6-8 transport problem areas

4 scenarios

3 different time horizons (2005, 2020, > 2030) several transport concepts and technologies 7-8 major assessment dimensions





(3) Transport area scenarios

Transport Problem Areas (examples):

- Urban passenger mobility
- Long-distance freight transport
- Rural mobility
- Long-distance passenger mobility (> 250 km)
- etc.





(3) Types of scenarios

Four scenarios:

- Unrestricted Growth
- Sustainable Growth
- Business as Usual
- Sustained Balance

to study the robustness of technological options.





(3) Scenario elements

- Exogenous factors
- Reference transport system/area trajectory and policy-dependent variants
- Reference transport concepts and "innovative" variants
- Analysis of actor and stakeholder positions





(3) Outputs

- Set of "robust" future technologies/technology portfolios with a desirable impact
- Information on performance and impact under different scenario conditions
- Implications for transport and transport technology policy
- Overview of stakeholder positions regarding the technologies identified





(3) Actor and stakeholder involvement

Widespread use of interactive TA-methods:

- to identify and forecast technology performance
- to weigh and aggregate impacts by means of multi-criteria analysis
- to elicit stakeholder positions
- to develop policy options





(3) The assessment process

- 1. Definition of transport problem areas
- 2. Definition and specification of (exogenous) scenarios
- 3. Definition of transport reference trajectories and innovative variants (for different time horizons)
- 4. Identification of transport concepts and technologies for the different trajectories
- 5. Impact assessment of reference trajectories and variants
- 6. Aggregation by means of MCA
- 7. Selection of most promising and robust technologies
- 8. Analysis of possible stakeholder positions
- 9. Policy implications





(4) Policy implications

- Identification of "robust" technologies/technology portfolios
 Technology policy implications
- Focus on gaps and emerging requirements with regard to European transport policy

==> Transport policy implications





(4) Policy workshops

Development of policy options

- for supporting (or inhibiting) the introduction of new technologies by means of technology policy
- to identify potential modifications of the European transport policy framework
- elicit stakeholder perspectives



