

Travelport is member of a consortium awarded EU funding to create online travel planning tool

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New journey planner will allow travellers to search and book door-to-door travel throughout Europe



Travelport (NYSE:TVPT), a leading Travel Commerce Platform, announces it is a member of a consortium awarded EU funding to help pilot a new online travel planning and booking solution which utilises multiple modes of transport. EuTravel^[1] is a 30 month project funded by Horizon 2020 which is the biggest EU Research and Innovation programme to date.

The project lead is Inlecom Systems Ltd, a company specialising in transport **research**, and a number of travel service providers are also involved. Travelport will provide travel data through its API technology and will also play a role in the design and implementation of the pilot system.

This fully integrated system will search for and present synchronised itineraries to travellers and enable them to book and pay for their chosen travel across Europe. The new tool will be designed for both travel agencies and individual travellers and will facilitate the simple organisation of a door-to-door multi-modal trip according to personal preferences and even take into account its environmental impact.

Ioanna Fergadioti, Project Manager at Inlecom, commented: “We are pleased to be leading on this project which will pilot an innovative and invaluable new journey planning tool for Europe. The potential societal, environmental and economic benefits of multi-modal travel information, planning and ticketing services are huge, as emphasised in a recent Commission report^[2]. In

addition, we believe that this solution will offer new business opportunities for service providers in the travel industry.”

Stephen O’Hara, Director of Rail, at Travelport, said: “We are thrilled to be part of this complex EU initiative to pilot a first-of-its-kind travel planning solution for Europe. We are enjoying working on this unique tool which will offer travel service providers and agencies a simpler way to deliver customised services and cater for any type of specialised travel needs.”

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Notes to editors

[1]  <http://eutravelproject.eu/imagefiles/europa-flag.gif>

EuTravel (www.eutravelproject.eu) has received funding from the European Union’s Horizon 2020 research and innovation programme under the grant agreement No 636148.

[2] Towards a roadmap for delivering EU-wide multimodal travel information, planning and ticketing services SWD (2014) 194 final 13/6/2014.

About Travelport

Travelport is the technology company which makes the experience of buying and managing travel continually better. It operates a travel commerce platform providing distribution, technology, payment and other solutions for the global travel and tourism industry. The company facilitates travel commerce by connecting the world’s leading travel providers with online and offline travel buyers in a proprietary business-to-business (B2B) travel platform.

Travelport has a leading position in airline merchandising, hotel content and distribution, car rental, mobile commerce and B2B payment solutions. The company also provides IT services to airlines, such as shopping, ticketing, departure control and other solutions. With net revenue of over \$2.5 billion in 2018, Travelport is headquartered in Langley, U.K., has over 3,700 employees and is represented in approximately 180 countries and territories.

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