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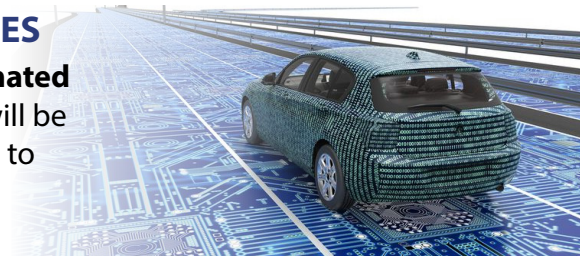**ITS** Berkeley
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Coord launches Open Curbs, an open data initiative. Open Curbs provides data sets on curb assets - such as signs and fire hydrants - for neighborhoods in six cities: Santa Monica, CA; Denver; Paris; Milan; Los Angeles; and San Francisco. Much of the data come from Coord's Surveyor, an app that allows surveyors to record physical assets by walking down a sidewalk and taking pictures.

AUTOMATED VEHICLES

Ford, GM, and Toyota partner to develop safety standards for automated vehicles (AVs). The new Automated Vehicle Safety Consortium (AVSC) will be affiliated with the auto engineering group SAE International. AVSC plans to develop a safety framework as well as new methods for "data collection, protection, and sharing."
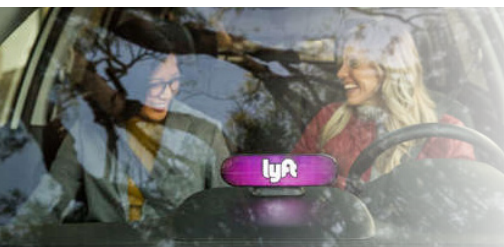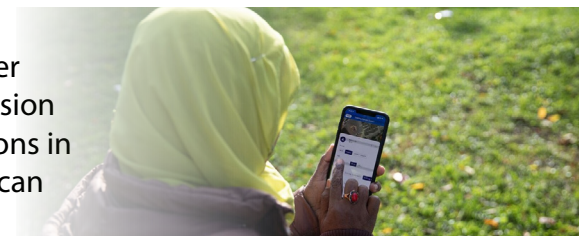
BIKESHARING

Freebikes launches more than 500 electric bicycles in Prague. The bikesharing service is station-based and charges riders variable rates. The cost to unlock the bike is 1 crown (about 4 cents in USD), while riding with the electric motor costs 2 crowns per minute. Riders who pedal without electric assist get the first 10 minutes free and then pay 1 crown per minute.

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Sidewalk Labs launches CommonSpace. The app allows users to gather data on how streets, parks, and other public spaces are used. Public decision makers outline the data they wish to collect, and users collect observations in accordance with the open data standard Public Life Data Protocol. Data can be exported from CommonSpace in visualization and analysis tools.

RIDESOURCING/TNCS

South Carolina lawmakers introduce a bill requiring illuminated signs on ridesourcing vehicles. The signs must display the company's logo, be on at all times when the driver is active, and readable during daylight hours at a distance of 50 feet. Under the bill, drivers must return all signage to the company after termination of employment.

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