



# SAFE MAINTENANCE WORK IN TUNNELS ENABLED BY TASSTA

## SITUATION

There are many tunnels worldwide, in Central Europe, there are about 100 tunnels, which are used by many drivers every single day. They have the advantage to provide shorter routes and a faster journey by avoiding narrow, winding routes over mountain passes, that may be affected by winter conditions.

Keeping them clean and in good condition is essential to guarantee security for passing vehicles.

Tunnel maintenance is a dangerous job. Tunnels are closed during maintenance work, but still it is necessary to be careful, because of possible danger in a barely lighted tunnel of about 35 miles. It is essential for maintenance work to be effective, quick and secure, so the tunnel can open as soon as possible without incidents, and this is where TASSTA does help.

## MARKET CHALLENGES

Companies in the tunnel industry aim to provide fast and reliable roads or railway routes, which is a simple and quick way for drivers and passengers to reach their destination. Tunnel closure causes delay, but it is necessary for maintenance. For that reason it is even more important, that maintenance work is going to be completed quickly and efficiently. Therefore, these companies are in need of a reliable and effective communication system, so the tunnel workers can coordinate easily.

## SOLUTION

TASSTA smartphone solution T.Flex has a number of options that can be configured to provide more advanced communication capabilities besides using the sensors within the phones for “Man Down” alerts. Additionally, GPS and Indoor Localization can transmit the exact location of alerting devices; also Video and Audio Feeds can be enabled from any device that pushes the emergency button. T.Flex uses the immense computing and sensor functions present in today’s devices to deliver advanced communication and emergency services. Ex-certified smartphones use TASSTA applications in hazardous areas.

TASSTA T.Flex and T.Rodon deliver advanced communication capabilities to allow tunnel workers to instantly communicate via Push-to-Talk (PTT) and to provide an emergency alerting system in case of an incident. At its simplest, T.Flex can be configured with all types of smartphones, when the “Emergency” button is pushed it sends an alert to the other workers or the dispatcher at an outside control center.

The T.Rodon application provides additional capabilities. In conjunction with the T.Flex client, it is a full-featured dispatch, command and control center. It can transmit Push-to-Talk (PTT) messages and data to individual users, create and track tasks, provide voice recording, monitoring GPS, and manage sta activity in the tunnel. In addition to functions like Push-to-Talk (PTT) or safety features, TASSTA offers a reliable and accurate localization solution for indoor areas to locate persons or products. It is not only a safety precaution but also a perfect finder for tools in respect of the size of some tunnels.

With TASSTA Indoor Localization, the user is able to install Bluetooth Beacons in goods. You can scan them with a smartphone and fixed PC stations to locate products over the Bluetooth Beacons. If the location changes, the data of the new position is shown immediately to the T.Rodon command and control center solution.

The indoor navigation with Bluetooth Beacons offers fast and exact localization. Beacons behave like senders. They enable users to do indoor tracking. Beacons can be used cross-platformed and offer a tracking accuracy of meters.

Beacons also operate as temporarily devices. The installation flexible and easy. The user can have Beacons in different colors, so that they are less conspicuous. The innovative battery technology enables battery life from two to eight years, without revert from external energy sources.

Knowing the exact location of every person and possibly tools in the tunnel and monitoring at an outside control center helps to improve efficiency and security. It is here where a Lone Worker Protection Alarming solution is important. The reason for a need of such systems is, workers in tunnels are located at various distances, and in an event of emergency quick help must be provided.



Indoor Localization is one of the features, which provides, of safety, as all users and goods on the network can be monitored internally and everywhere. Additionally it helps to optimize the decision process of the team and operators.

Another indoor localization capacity is the localization via Wi-Fi. TASSTA Wi-Fi Indoor Localization determination is used for various projects and businesses. This is the reason for using Wi-Fi-Hotspots as a feature. Additionally, the location determination starts immediately when the users have Wi-Fi activated on their smartphones. The user does not need to log in for the Wi-Fi location determination. The accuracy of the determination via Wi-Fi is only two to five meters depending on Wi-Fi signal availability.

TASSTA communication solution is specifically designed for demanding industries like tunnels. Thanks to the Lone Worker Protection Alarming solution, TASSTA delivers advanced communication capabilities to allow all tunnel staff to instantly communicate via Push-to-Talk (PTT), and to provide an alerting system in case of an event.

TASSTA’s goal is to provide a reliable and helpful solution for these companies, handling valuable products, high-cost goods or personnel. Companies look for the best way to rely on safety and organized work structures while implementing their daily tasks and to secure their assets.

TASSTA offers additional, very practical features like the Guard Tour. If for security reasons, the whole staff needs to meet at a predefined point, for example the entrance of the tunnel to make sure they all leave the tunnel before it opens again. The Indoor Localization system automatically detects when everyone arrived, and a report is being sent to the control center or the shift supervisor. This proves that TASSTA innovative solutions meet the needs of these work environments and therefore is the perfect fit for any company in the tunnel industry.