# Daimler's Perspective on Car-to-X Technologies (5GAA member)



### On the road until cars communicate directly ...

- Over 90% of new Mercedes-Benz cars are already connected worldwide
- Daimler runs reliable backends to bring connected services to cars since years

#### $\rightarrow$ Why not using existing technology to enhance the safety experience now?

Mercedes-Benz offers **communication between cars** since new E-Class in 2016 – "Car-to-X communication **via backend**":

- More safety to our customers earlier
- Manageable small implementation effort and very short development time
- Fast rollout to main markets (EU, US, CN)
- Easy technology adoption to further car lines (S-Class done, A-Class soon)
- Many safety use cases from Car-to-Car direct communication standards are covered

#### Car-to-X via Cellular Radio in E-Class 2016



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# Car-to-X via Cellular Radio in E-Class 2016

| Event               | Triggering Conditions                    | Icon on Map              | Speech output |
|---------------------|--|--------------------------|---------------|
| Broken down vehicle | Vehicle system signals                   | $\triangle$              | Yes           |
| Vehicle accident    | Air bag inflation and others             |                          | Yes           |
| Hazard lights       | Hazard light on                          |                          | Yes           |
| Heavy Rain          | Highest wiper level for 20 s             |                          | No            |
| Slippery road       | Antilock braking system intervention     |                          | No            |
| Fog                 | Rear fog light on                        | $\underline{\mathbb{A}}$ | No            |
| Mobile work zone    | External data from work zone<br>trailers |                          | Yes           |
| General Warning     | Driver manual input                      | <u>/!\</u>               | Yes           |

### Next steps on Car-to-Car communication ...

- Enhance driver safety by
  - sharing data among different OEM platforms through **HERE**
  - receiving data from ITS infrastructure and Smart Cities
- Improve data transfer by using **5G** technologies (e.g. QoS, latency)
- Avoid even more safety hazards by continuously improving sensor technologies
  → Direct communication can enable new safety use cases (e.g. V2P) and comfort driving use cases

This adds technical challenges including the debate on ITS G5 802.11p versus C-V2X:

- Low safety benefits and customer acceptance inhibited by **slow market penetration**
- Higher car integration costs expected to come along with 802.11p
- Coexistence of 802.11p and C-V2X in same ITS spectrum (5.9 GHz) is needed

## Daimler's position on ITS G5 802.11p and C-V2X

- Technology neutrality is crucial
- Sufficient spectrum allocation for technology coexistence is required
- For cars C-V2X is prefered because it:
  - is the natural path to expand connected cars based on mobile networks
  - will be rolled out to cars much faster (update of mobile connectivity equipment)
  - will add additional potential **safety improvements** (e.g. to pedestrians)
  - will have **lower investment** impact to cars