

Final Report

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Title of the Research Project: Understanding young travellers' willingness to adopt car-sharing services and its wider impact on car ownership

Report about visit and future plans (max. 200 words, English):

The BritInn fellowship provided me with an excellent opportunity to work with Dr. Kiron Chatterjee at the University of West England (UWE), who is an eminent researcher in travel behaviour. During my stay at UWE, I had several meetings with him and other colleagues to discuss potential research collaborations. Dr. Chatterjee was kind enough to organize a workplace for me at the Centre for Transport and Society (CTS) and arranged a field visit to observe an ongoing survey in Bristol about the use of e-scooter. My guest lecture at UWE was well-attended in hybrid form, where I met participants from different disciplines. The active participation of the attendees and a stimulating discussion on my lecture facilitated ideas for several future projects. Following the lecture, I also had a fruitful discussion with the head of the Department, Professor Dr. Graham Parkhurst, and Dr. Chatterjee to collaborate on a cross-national project coordinating experiences of electric vehicle use and impact of car-sharing. The research exchanges at UWE not only instigated the prospect of further collaboration, but I am also amazed with Dr. Chatterjee's incredible hospitality, and I had a great time interacting with colleagues at the CTS workplace. Finally, thanks to BritInn for the generous sponsorship that made this successful research venture possible.

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Photo 1: Before the hybrid guest lecture at the seminar room in UWE Bristol



Photo 2: After a productive meeting with the wonderful colleagues at the Department of Geography and Environmental Management, UWE Bristol



Photo 3: During the field visit where student ambassadors conducting a survey in Bristol about the use of e-scooter