Calypso Live

A round-the-world tour of Calypso deployment highlights

Calypso Networks Association
Commuters today expect public transport to provide seamless experiences to encourage its use over private vehicles. From the first to the last step of their journey, passengers demand convenient, flexible ticketing options that span multiple modes of transport and that are secure, widely available, and easy to manage.

Responding to these demands is a big challenge for Public Transport Authorities and Operators. Supporting fare flexibility, developing effective Mobility-as-a-Service (MaaS) policies and developing an overall smarter, more inclusive contactless experience require sophisticated and innovative solutions.

For over 25 years, Calypso®, an open, secure ticketing standard has supported contactless ticketing for millions of passengers worldwide. For ticketing transactions, Calypso offers openness, security, and speed, enabling all ticketing functions: purchasing, loading, validation, and control of ticketing, for all kinds of transport contracts.

In the following pages, we share a snapshot of how transit networks for some of the biggest, most beautiful, and unique cities and regions in the world are using Calypso solutions and standards to fulfil their ticketing needs. You will learn the many ways that Calypso solutions can be deployed to engage passengers, simplify complex ticketing, promote agility and sustainability, and improve the journeys of people around the world.

As an open ticketing standard, shaped by the community, for the community, Calypso is found in more than 170 cities across 25 countries, and it is our aim to expand this number in the coming years. Naturally, we could list every occurrence of Calypso around the world in this eBook, but we have selected just some examples of how Calypso unlocks a smarter, inclusive contactless ticketing experience.

Are you ready to start your smart ticketing journey? Find out more about Calypso and Calypso Networks Association on calypsonet.org or contact us to speak to one of our experts.
Situated in the heart of France’s famed wine-growing region, Bordeaux is a busy port city on the Garonne River. Public Transport Authority Bordeaux Métropole runs the city’s network of trams and buses in conjunction with Keolis, operator of TBM (Transports de Bordeaux Métropole) and relies on Calypso Prime for its smartcard ticketing infrastructure.

- To improve the experiences of Bordeaux’s public transport passengers, Bordeaux Métropole and Grand Port Maritime de Bordeaux teamed up to launch a new multi-application smartcard as part of an ambitious and innovative mobility initiative.
- The card, developed using the Calypso and Application Multi-Services Citoyenne (AMC) standards, offers seamless access to the area’s port facilities as well as public transport services throughout the Bordeaux City region.

The project strengthened the links between the port and the town and allows residents and tourists alike to travel seamlessly and securely across the region.

Ticketing for MaaS – the challenge

One of the biggest trends shaping the future of urban transit is supporting the first and last step of every passenger’s journey. This is nudging networks to increase their focus on offering a joined-up, seamless ticketing experience, accommodating the flexibility of MaaS and the multimodal offering it supports.

Mobile ticketing (m-ticketing) will become a big driver of MaaS adoption, enabling multimodal ticketing from a device many people already carry with them everywhere. However, with cards remaining a key tool in the transit planner’s portfolio for the long term, ticketing smartcard solutions must also offer the same level of integration and convenience for passengers. By enabling this, transit networks can create an inclusive MaaS offering - MaaS for all.

This ambition for MaaS ticketing will only be achieved if systems are well designed and highly scalable. This is indeed a major challenge, and the need for ticketing systems to be flexible has never been so great. Yet ticketing systems, which are sometimes subject to vendor-locking do not always provide the appropriate solutions to this challenge.

Open ticketing technology, shaped by the community, for the community will be essential.

“Public transit in Bordeaux is an essential part of our infrastructure, supporting citizens and tourists alike, and having a smart, reliable and secure contactless solution is essential. Using Calypso helped us tailor a unique solution to suit our city’s needs, allowing us to stay ahead of transit trends and offer a joined-up solution.”

Jean-Marc Rouffet
Director of Transport Systems and Equipment, Bordeaux Métropole
A bustling port city and commercial hub on Morocco’s Atlantic coast, Casablanca is undergoing an exciting digital transformation. The initiative impacts all sectors of Moroccan society, from e-gov to commerce and transportation, and incorporates governance, biometrics, and identity passports for all digital transactions, including automobile licensing and registration and transport ticketing.

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- 47 km Casatramway network with 70 stations
- 1,102 km Casabus network with 1,812 stops
- 498,900 daily journeys

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- 1,001 sites across Europe
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Brussels is considered by many to be the geographic, economic and cultural crossroads of Europe. To effectively serve the inhabitants of Brussels, as well as the millions of tourists who visit each year, the Brussels Intermunicipal Transport Company (STIB-MIVB) network operates four metro lines, 17 tram lines, 55 bus lines and 11 night bus lines, known as Noctis, across the greater metropolitan area.

The network places a strong emphasis on passenger comfort, convenience, and mobility. To promote these values, STIB-MIVB uses the MoBIB smartcard. Using Calypso Prime, MoBIB smartcards facilitate easy, seamless ticketing throughout STIB's network and throughout all of Belgium's transport networks; MOBIB is interoperable in the whole country.

To help incentivise passengers away from private vehicle use and support the city's commuters, STIB enables employers to load transport tickets onto a MoBIB card with a deferred payment option, some of which can be paid by the employer. So far, STIB has issued approximately two million MoBIB cards to passengers throughout the Brussels region.

It's not just in Brussels where you will see MoBIB cards. The MoBIB smartcard is the contactless ticketing solution used by the four public transport operators throughout Belgium (STIB, SNCB, De Lijn, TEC). It is also used by additional users throughout the nation’s public transport community e.g., Interparking: car parks; Villo: bike sharing; Cambio: car sharing. Many MoBIB cards include Hoplink and passengers can access partner transport services in other European networks. Approximately eight million MoBIB cards have been issued throughout Belgium.

Calypso solutions deployed:
- Calypso Prime
- ABT
- HCE
- Hoplink

Multiservice offering supported:
- Bicycle sharing
- Bike parks
- Scooter sharing
- Parking

Open-loop is a perfectly complementary solution to a closed loop open standard ticketing system such as Calypso, to cover all categories of users and increase the ease of access to public transport and therefore its attractiveness.

STIB/MIVB has chosen to offer its customers the possibility of using their EMV bank card as a ticket, by implementing an open payment solution which allows the acquisition and use of transport rights by using a bank card directly at the network's entrance terminals, in a pay as you Go modality. It completes its ticketing offer to accept occasional use of its transport network more easily and efficiently.

“We have to serve our customers every day and offer a public transport service of the highest quality. That is our ambition. STIB places customers at the heart of all its actions. To make public transport even more attractive, we are improving the customer experience every day by offering a wide range of quality services that incorporate new mobility solutions.”

Jean-Luc Van Ginder Deuren
Head of IT Sales Solutions Department, STIB-MIVB
Residents of Lisbon rely on a complex network of many different modes of transport, including trams, buses, elevators, metro rail, and even a funicular, to move around the capital region. To support over three thousand different tariffs across different transport types, Lisbon needed an adaptable ticketing solution to enable seamless travel across all twenty-two operators.

The region’s authority, Transportes Metropolitanos de Lisboa (TML) operates the VIVA solution, which is dedicated to developing, implementing, and managing new technologies for contactless multi-modal ticketing. In 2018, TML launched VIVA Kiosk, which allows travellers to request and receive within one minute a Calypso smartcard for use across Lisbon public transport networks.

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Calypso Prime has enabled TML to create a single ticketing platform that unites and integrates transport and mobility operators from across the region, ensuring a consistent ticketing experience from twenty-two companies across transport, parking, and multi-service operators.

« The transport system of Lisbon and the whole metropolitan region serves 3.5 million inhabitants and is very complex. We needed a contactless system to adapt to many contexts. This would be very difficult without Calypso, which really facilitates our work. Now the ticketing system is not only for the Lisbon region. It goes further to incorporate 22 different transport companies and multiservice operators. »

Sonia Alegre
Administrator, TML
What is the Ponto Navegante?

The Ponto navegante launched in November 2021 is a service that allows the user to request and receive, in a few minutes, a Calypso smartcard to use in all public transports of 18 municipalities.

Additionally, this service also serves as a point of sale for loading and reloading of transport products. The challenge for TML was to facilitate the access to transport, promoting a self-service access, without the need to submit requests and without waiting in line.

This new service was developed with a completely new interface focused on user experience and does not require user training and it’s accessible to a broad target of customers.

This service is also inclusive as it is adapted to reduced mobility and to people who have any degree of color blindness.

How did it begin?

The project began with a development made and implemented in 2018 by Otlis who designed 7 similar equipment’s.

With the integration of Otlis into TML, this project was redesigned and implemented from scratch with new features such as the possibility of contactless payment, the possibility of loading occasional cards and new features that allow for greater inclusion and user experience.

Today, all municipalities in the Lisbon metropolitan area have this equipment that provides a service for requesting and issuing Calypso smartcards that was created, based on the CNA Remote loading specification, and adapted to remote issuing, using the Calypso keys stored in a Hard Security Module (HSM). With this change, the Ponto navegante can be used to issue and load the Calypso card, delivering them in under 2 or 3 minutes. The user can provide the required information by inserting the citizen card to request, pay and produce a Calypso smartcard.

If the client already exists in the system, he may also request a new card by validating his current data in the system’s database and completing the request for a Calypso smartcard without using a citizen card. The Ponto navegante is also able to read and reload smart tickets used for occasional users.
A true megacity, Mexico City relies on one of the world’s largest and busiest public transport networks to carry millions of workers, students, and tourists and power its economy. SEMOV, the public transport authority, relies on five different operators to run the network. The Tarjeta Única de Movilidad Integrada, a unique integrated smartcard, provides passengers with access to the network.

Like most urban areas, Mexico City has made combating fraud and ensuring trust a top priority. Deploying Calypso Prime as the foundation for the Tarjeta Única de Movilidad Integrada has allowed Mexico City to create a contactless ticketing solution with built-in security. Additionally, the reusable and reloadable cards make ticketing more sustainable and lower overall costs.

The multiverse offering supported:
- Bicycle sharing (ecobici)

Since transitioning to Calypso Prime, it is much more difficult for fraudsters to reproduce fake smartcards for use throughout Mexico City’s public transport network. Social media sites no longer openly advertise the availability of fake smartcards, returning revenue to the system.

Since Calypso’s commitment to open standards has eliminated the risk of vendor lock-in, the ticketing system procurement process has become more transparent and competitive, restoring public trust, and enabling better resilience and flexibility for the future. City planners are also using movement data collected from Tarjeta Única de Movilidad Integrada ticketing infrastructure to make informed decisions based on passenger behaviours to plan network upgrades.
Île-de-France Mobilités provides public transportation throughout Paris and the capital region. The constantly changing mobility and transport needs of residents require Île-de-France Mobilités to operate the lines, maintain reliable schedules, and offer true Mobility as a Service. Coordinating ticketing solutions that enable seamless transitions between distinct transit operators presents considerable challenges.

For more than 15 years, Calypso Prime has provided the foundation upon which Île-de-France Mobilités built the ‘Navigo’ transport pass, which enables highly secure and fast contactless transactions and cross-network interoperability. In 2019, Île-de-France Mobilités launched the Via Navigo mobile application using Calypso for Mobile and Applet technology, which allows passengers to purchase and validate fares with their smartphones. In 2021, Île-de-France Mobilités made hassle-free travel even more accessible by announcing that fares for the network can be reloaded on an iPhone using Apple Pay.

Today, Île-de-France Mobilités passengers enjoy seamless, convenient access to the Paris bus and metro network thanks to Navigo and Calypso open standards and technology. The success of the Navigo system is now supported by the PMB ticketing modernization project, managed by Île-de-France Mobilités, which includes the implementation of a central system covering the entire region, the renewal of a large part of the equipment of the existing transport networks, as well as the supply of those of the future Grand Paris Express networks, entirely based on the range of Calypso products, cards and dematerialized solutions.

Île-de-France Mobilités IDFM also relies for some of its developments on open-source solutions based on Keyple, such as the creation of an application that allows ticketing inspectors to read Navigo cards using an NFC Android smartphone – a project that took less than one year thanks to the ease of use of the Keyple SDK.

Île-de-France Mobilités will enjoy another opportunity to shine in 2023 with the launch of a new electronic contactless ticketing solution powered by Calypso Light and geared toward the more casual passenger. This new solution will be integral to the city’s ability to provide secure, reliable, and convenient ticketing at significantly lower costs, a perfect solution for fans at the Paris 2024 Olympic and Paralympic Games.
Among the most populous cities in Canada, Montreal and Quebec aims to provide seamless transport across the entire region. To make this a reality, the Société de transport de Montréal (STM) partnered with sixteen transport operators to create an interoperable ticketing solution. Based on the Calypso Prime solution, the OPUS card boasts a circulation of 4.5 million cards in use across Montreal, Quebec City, and the greater Quebec Region. The card enables remote loading of funds to minimize contact points and streamline the flow of passengers through transport terminals.

As passenger needs and demands evolve and new ticketing technology emerges, STM is committed to continued innovation to serve the needs of passengers and operators across North America’s third-largest transportation network.

**Calypso solutions deployed:**
- Calypso Prime

**Multiservice offering supported:**
- Bicycle sharing
- Car sharing

**Calypso Applet**

Calypso Applet uses an applet that is hosted in an embedded Secure Element (eSE) or SIM card located in a connected consumer device to fully emulate a Calypso card and offer the same level of functionality and security.

The applet is installed and managed using GlobalPlatform mechanisms. It is compatible with all operating systems, requires no adaptation of a Calypso ticketing infrastructure, and can also function when the mobile device is switched off or has no battery.
The second most populous city in Italy and the regional capital of the Lombardy region, Milan is known as a global capital of fashion and design.

To serve the needs of its citizens and the millions of tourists who pass through the city each year, the Milan Public Transport Network has developed an extensive network of subway, tram, and bus lines. The system is based on Calypso's contactless smartcard solution and NFC virtualisation technology, allowing Milan to offer a wide array of ticketing options to meet the needs of the city’s residents and tourists.

Calypso solutions deployed:
- Calypso Prime
- Calypso Light
- HCE
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**Calypso HCE** for mobile ticketing is a software-based approach that stores limited use secure credentials on any Android operated device. It offers the level of functionality of Calypso Prime, though it does require adaptations to the ticketing infrastructure to ensure security is maintained to the Calypso standard. CNA provides Calypso HCE specifications and guidelines to support the implementation of this solution in a ticketing infrastructure at the required level of security.

Testing, certification and evaluation are fundamental elements supporting the evolution of transport ticketing. Within the Calypso HCE implementation guidelines is a self-declared compliance procedure: the Calypso HCE Security Certification scheme. This reference framework has evolved to become a vital tool guiding ticketing developers to provide functional and secure solutions alongside harmonising HCE solutions already live in the field.

**Spotlight**

Paolo Ferrara, CIO, Azienda Trasporti Milanesi

“In Milan, people rely on underground and overground transportation to reach their destination. Deploying Calypso solutions allows us to provide convenient and easily accessible ticketing that takes passengers where they need to go without adding complexity to our system.”
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Vice President – Mobility and Transport, Rennes Métropole

*Keyple has allowed Rennes to be at the forefront of innovation with the creation of the KorriGo Services card. It has made it simple to develop convenient public transport ticketing and to provide access to a range of services to our residents from the same card.*
Since 2009, the Piemonte Region (North-west Italy) has been managing the Biglietto Integrato Piemonte (BIP), the public transport e-ticketing system. Thanks to a contactless smart card, it allows citizens to access any public transport in any part of the region. The system is based on ‘a single card to ride all transport modes’ concept.

The aim was to relaunch the regional local public transport system by improving accessibility, knowledge, management and promotion. It is supported by a relevant info-mobility platform and uses a regional contactless electronic ticketing solution relying on Calypso Prime.

The regional government charged its “in-house” company 5T to design and implement the BIP system and its infrastructure. The company is in charge of hosting and managing the Regional Service Centre. This centre oversees the global security, interoperability, independent public governance, monitoring and control of public transport and services for citizens. All public transport operators must be compliant to the BIP system. The system is based on smart card contactless RFID Calypso 3.1. 5T is responsible for supplying and testing all smart cards needed by all the companies active in Piedmont.

Today, all citizens in Piemonte have access to public transport services provided by different providers using the same BIP Card. In the future, the BIP ecosystem will evolve towards even more smart, innovative and flexible fare solutions, increasingly oriented towards pay-per-use, customer loyalty and full regional fare integration (App, ABT solutions, MaaS approach).

“Having the ability to use one ticketing card across the entire Piedmont region is a significant bonus for its citizens. We see reliable, seamless and interoperable ticketing as a key part of our vision for a smarter future for the region, and by being part of the Calypso community, we have a strong partner helping us realise this goal.”

Massimo Cocozza
Business Unit Manager, 5T S.R.L
Since 1938, SNCF has operated France’s high-speed rail network, including the famous Orient Express. SNCF first implemented a Calypso-based ticket solution two decades ago, allowing passengers to enjoy multi-modal travel from a single smartcard. Since the rail system operates across different regions of France and relies on multiple independent operators, interoperability is imperative.

Recently, SNCF has transitioned toward a more centralised sales system that consolidates multiple sales channels, including mobile, vending machines, kiosks, counter sales, and high street retailers. To maintain security and interoperability across these channels, SNCF has deployed Keyple to harmonise the terminals.

SNCF continues to rely on Calypso solutions to fulfil its mission to optimise the cost and overall impact of transport for customers and for French taxpayers. Calypso’s dedication to innovation supports SNCF infrastructures and services that are built for the long term and function as a shared asset for meeting social, ecological, and economic challenges and working for a dynamic, caring, and sustainable society.

Calypso solutions deployed:
- Calypso Prime
- HCE
- Applet
- Hoplink
- ABT

Multiservice offering supported:
- Employee photocopiers
- Public toilets

“The openness and scalability of Calypso was essential in allowing us to independently develop our ticketing offering and benefit from a choice between several different card suppliers. Also, the interoperability of Calypso means it is now the core ticketing standard for 90% of the French public transit networks.”

Joël Eppe
Director of Ticketing, SNCF
As the official seat of the European Parliament, the Strasbourg metropolitan area serves as an international crossroads and busy transportation hub. When public health concerns brought the need for contactless ticketing solutions to the forefront, Compagnie des Transports Strasbourgeois (CTS) acted quickly to meet the challenge and provide a future-proof solution and address pandemic-related public health concerns.

Since nearly 75% of French smartphone users have an Android phone, CTS became one of the first mobility operators to deploy Calypso’s Host Card Application (HCE) for Android. And today, Android users in Strasbourg enjoy access to mobile ticketing services via their NFC smartphones, enabling wider adoption of newer mobility services, including multiservice transport and even automobile parking access. It is a service that is particularly well accepted by CTS users, facilitating access to the various means of transport.

The CTS was also one of the first French networks to implement Hoplink on all its equipment, in sales and validation. This allows interoperability not only locally with regional train services (TER), but also for travelers coming from other regions or countries, as long as they carry a transport card containing the Hoplink application. Moreover, passengers in Strasbourg and from other networks and cities that have the Hoplink scheme can buy and load tickets on their cards remotely with their own device.

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Alain Caffart
Directeur de la Transformation Numérique, CTS
The only city of its kind in the world, Venice is surrounded and crossed by waterways and canals, creating a floating network of small islands connected by bridges. AVM/Actv serves as the main public transport provider for the floating city, as well as for the suburban areas surrounding Padua, Treviso and Rovigo.

Since travel within Venice must be done by foot or by boat, the city requires a ticketing solution that enables both daily commuter passengers and tourists to transfer seamlessly between types of watercrafts, as well as to access parking facilities for automobiles outside the city limits.

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Calypso Prime supports the Venezia Unica City Pass, an all-in-one pass that combines ticketing for different modes of public transportation within the city with admission to tourist attractions and cultural events and services useful to commuters and tourists alike.

"The security, flexibility, and innovation of Calypso solutions allows us to meet the unique ticketing challenges we face accommodating both daily commuters and millions of tourists each year, providing access to many types of public transport and services without adding additional complexity."

Gianluca Cuzzolin
Chief Operating Officer, AVM/Actv
25 YEARS OF TRANSPORT TICKETING INNOVATION

1996
Launch of the ICARE project, financed by the European Community, to develop a contactless ticketing system for multimodal and multi-operator public transport environments

This is followed by the Calypso project launching transport ticketing and multiservice payment applications in five initial locations: Paris, Lisbon, Venice, Brussels and Konstanz

1999
First two in-field deployments of contactless ticketing systems based on Calypso launch in two French cities, Nice and Aix-en-Provence

2000
Session and Ratification Patents Registration, forming the heart of Calypso’s technology
Launch of the TRiANGLE project, precursor to Hoplink, to develop interoperability between European metropolitan areas, piloted on the Brussels-London-Paris triangle

2003
Creation of Calypso Networks Association, an ASBL (not-for-profit) under Belgian law

2006
First reload of Calypso cards on bank ATMs takes place in Lisbon, Portugal

2009
First prototype Calypso transaction from a mobile phone NFC SIM card

2012
Creation of Calypso’s Interoperable ticketing service, Hoplink

2014
First delivery of a compliance certificate for Calypso Prime cards

2016
CNA reaches 50 members

2017
Setup of a permanent, dedicated CNA team, to better answer to the needs of the transport ticketing community

2019
Setup of the Calypso brand license, based on mandatory certification of products compliant to Calypso specifications
CNA reaches 100 members and ships 50 million cards over the year

2020
More than 40 certified Prime, Light cards and a certified Prime app, on Secure Elements or Jewels cards

2021
Calypso definitively enters the open-source world with the issuance of the Eclipse Keyplug API and software 2.0 for terminals
Calypso enhances the security of mobile ticketing on Android devices, officially launching the Calypso HCE Security Certification (CHSC) scheme

DID YOU KNOW?
CALYPSO originally stood for Contact And ContactLess Technology Yielding a Platform for Service Operation

Our community is committed to further smart ticketing innovations. Here’s to more exciting years ahead!
For more than 25 years, members of the global transport and mobility community have trusted Calypso to help them overcome challenges. From the early days, when a group of transport operators and authorities from Belgium, France, Germany, Italy, and Portugal joined forces to develop a better contactless pass solution, to creating smart ticketing solutions to meet the demands of today’s passengers worldwide, Calypso Networks Association continues to define the future of transport ticketing.

To learn more about how Calypso’s standards and solutions can help transform ticketing for your network or discover how you can take an active role in the organisation’s work, please get in touch.

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