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House of Representatives Standing Committee on Infrastructure, Transport and Cities
Inquiry into transport connectivity

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THE FUTURE IS HERE!

9.30AM-4.00PM FRIDAY, 28 OCTOBER

The House of Representatives [Standing Committee on Infrastructure, Transport and Cities](#) will tomorrow hold a public hearing on new technologies in mass transit, including Hyperloop.

Committee Chair [Mr John Alexander MP](#) says the hearing will include presentations from Hyperloop One, Bishop Austrans, Newhaven Wealth, the Korean Government and Consolidated Land and Rail Australia (CLARA), who will present their vision of how value capture could transform rail travel in Australia.

“Investment in new technology is vital to improving transport connectivity in our cities and regions,” Mr Alexander says.

“There are concepts coming on line now which have the capacity to completely transform the way we move about.

“High Speed Rail has the capacity to create opportunities for urban and regional development that do not currently exist. In addition, concepts like Hyperloop and Austrans offer completely new visions of the future.”

Hyperloop uses electric propulsion to accelerate a passenger or cargo vehicle through a tube in a low-pressure environment at speeds of up to 1,200 km/h using magnetic levitation. Austrans is a small vehicle, automated transit system developed in Australia.

Further information on the committee’s inquiry into transport connectivity, including the full [terms of reference](#), is available on the [Committee website](#). The Committee is expected to report by the end of the year.

Public Hearing details:

Time: 9.30 am to 4.00 pm

Date: Friday, 28 October 2016

Location: Macquarie Room, Parliament House, Sydney

[Live Webcast \(Audio only\)](#)

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