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This dataset includes transcripts of five focus groups on the topic 'Possible impacts of automated vehicles on travel and daily life in the future'. The focus groups were conducted in TU Delft between September and November 2017. They were audio-recorded, and the recordings were transcribed. Focus groups no.2 to no.5 were conducted in Dutch. The transcripts provided here are their English translations.

Participants in the first focus group were TU Delft students and researchers. Participants in the other focus groups (no.2 – no.5) were recruited through a marketing company and represented various professions, age groups, and both genders. To ensure that participants have regular daily activity schedules that involve travel, we invited only daily commuters (travelling to work or studies). Furthermore, we recruited mostly current car or public transport users, because those modes are easier to compare with AVs than active modes. Only participants in the first group predominantly used bicycle for their daily commute; they compared automated vehicles with their past experiences of using car or public transport.

The transcripts are anonymised. That is, all the personal information is removed or generalised. The names of the participants are replaced with fictional ones. To ease navigation through the files and referencing with the paper, the names for the participants are assigned in alphabetical order throughout the transcripts as follows:

Focus group 1: André, Arjun, Bart, Caroline, Chris, Daniel, Dennis;

Focus group 2: Elisabeth, Eric, Felix, Gabrielle, Jelmer, Johanna;

Focus group 3: Katrien, Koen, Laura, Laurens, Linda;

Focus group 4: Maarten, Monique, Niek, Nora, Norbert;

Focus group 5: Paulien, Petra, Pieter, Renate.

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