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Achieving a positive user experience through user-friendly design of the vehicle interior for automated driving functions

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Development of New Driving Devices





steering rack actuato

3 Studies

Expert workshops

- Functions and handle design
- Interior concepts



Function

• By-wire driving HMI with joystick-like devices

Features

- Controlled steering feel with force feedback actuator
- Integrated operation of steering, braking and accelerating





4 **Prototype**



Simulator studies

- Ergonomics and adjustability
- Transitions during automated ulletdriving



Driving studies

- Dual vs. single device
- Maneuverability



4 Key findings

Driving feel

- "Steering is very intuitive." •
- "I had the feeling that I could **control** the vehicle much better."
- "After only a few meters you get used to it and \bullet can drive safely and fast with it."

Interior flexibility

- "There is so much **more space** in front of the driver."
- "Freedom of movement because of the available space." •
- "The interior is very neat. It looks smart and modern."
- "Also suitable for the elderly and people with disabilities."
- "Better view through the windshield."

Experience

- "Very innovative."
- "Extreme driving enjoyment (despite the \bullet prototypical implementation)."
- "Super cool realization, I am totally thrilled!" \bullet
- "It was a great experience!" •
- "I could have **spent days** on it."

Automated driving

- "No **annoying steering wheel** in the automated driving mode." •
- "The instrument cluster allows more degrees of freedom for • automated driving."

Seating position

- "Comfortable position. The arms rest comfortably on the device."
- "Seating position is more variable."



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