



EC policy on Sustainable Urban Mobility Plans (SUMP)

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Background

Cities across Europe face the challenge of addressing the following trend:

- **Growing populations** and **urbanisation** in cities therefore means **increased traffic** on urban networks
 - = increased **congestion**
 - = increased **pollution**
 - = increased **emissions**
- There is a need to react and make local transport systems **cleaner**, **safer** and **more efficient** and work as a **system**
- **Similar trend** in developing countries

What the EU does

- Transport is a shared responsibility between the EU and the Member States
 - The **subsidiarity principle** applies: the EU may not take action unless it is more effective than action taken at national, regional or local level
- Urban mobility is essentially a local responsibility; however local authorities should not be left alone
- That is why there is a long tradition of EU support:
 1. Setting the Policy Framework
 2. Offering funding and financing
 3. Facilitating the exchange of experience and best practice
 4. Raising awareness

The 2011 Transport White Paper

"Roadmap to a Single European Transport Area – Towards a competitive and resource efficient transport system" COM/2011/0144

- **Target** - 60% reduction in transport CO₂ emissions by 2050
- **Two specifically 'urban' goals**
 - **Phase out the use of conventionally fuelled cars in cities by 2050 – half their use by 2030**
 - **Towards 'zero emissions' city logistics in major urban centres by 2030**

Sets out 40 specific EC actions for 2011 - 2020

2013 Urban Mobility Package

Delivering on the White Paper VISION:

'Together towards competitive and resource-efficient urban mobility'

→ deploy urban mobility measures in a cost-effective way

Five focus areas:

- Sustainable Urban Mobility Planning – you get what you plan for
- Urban Logistics – heavily neglected topic
- Urban Access Regulations – maximising urban access for all
- Urban Road Safety – need for extra focus
- Urban ITS – compatible systems

→ Establishment of a **MS Expert Group on Urban Mobility (October 2014)**

Sustainable Urban Mobility Plans (I)

Development of SUMP's can help a city to render urban mobility more efficient and sustainable
→ But local authorities need the right conditions

- Member States are invited to
 - **assess the current and future performance** of urban mobility and **develop an approach** that ensures coordinated action at national, regional, and local level.
 - **review the tools** (technical, policy-based, legal, etc.) put at the disposal of local authorities

Sustainable Urban Mobility Plans (II)

- The Commission
 - Presents a **concept for Sustainable Urban Mobility Plans** which is steeped in experiences and expertise from across the EU – to be adapted to specific circumstances in MS – **ANNEX to the Communication**
 - Is setting up an **Platform on Sustainable Urban Mobility Plans** to coordinate EU cooperation on developing concept and tools further; provide a one-stop-shop
 - **Supports the development and implementation** of SUMP, including through its financial instruments.

Facilitating the exchange of experience and best practice

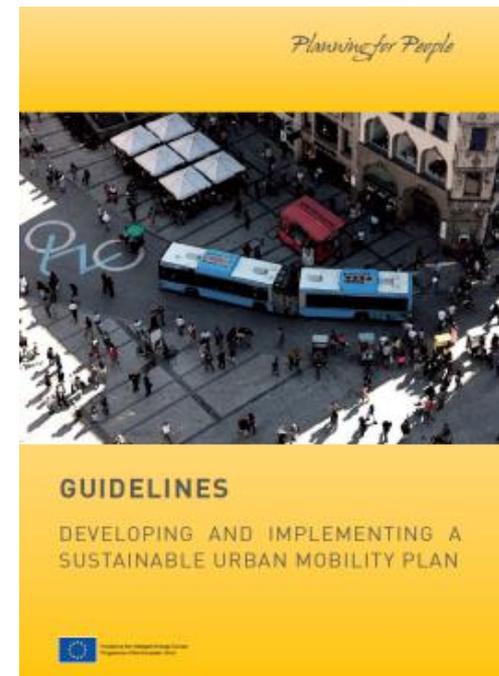
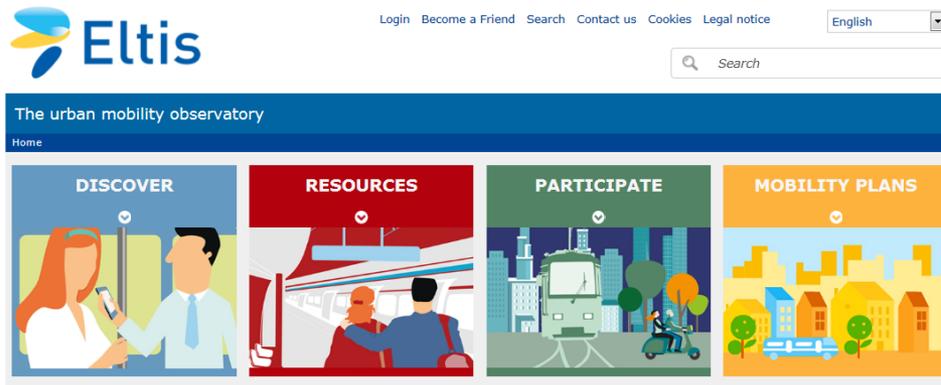
CIVITAS initiative

- Up until now: city-led demonstration activities
- Some 60 cities have benefited from EU co-funding for testing some 700 urban mobility measures
- As of 2014 call: city-led demonstration and supporting projects but also knowledge-building projects
- CIVITAS projects are in some cases also open to third countries
- CIVITAS SATELLITE: Task 4.3 International Cooperation



Facilitating the exchange of experience and best practice

- **Urban Mobility Portal Eltis:** <http://www.eltis.org>
 - Facilitates the exchange of information, knowledge and experiences
 - Aimed at individuals working in transport and related disciplines
 - With a dedicated section about SUMP





CIVITAS Forum and SUMP conference

- City representatives are invited to join these two yearly events:
 - **CIVITAS Forum** (this year taking place 27-29 September this year in Ponte Vedras (Portugal))
 - **Sustainable Urban Mobility Plan (SUMP) conference** (took place in Dubrovnik 29-30 March 2017)

Awareness-raising, communication

- European Mobility Week in September
 - <http://www.mobilityweek.eu/>
 - Some 2000 local partnerships registered every year, but many more cities active
 - Advertising campaign in some EU countries to promote multi-modality
 - Possibility for third countries to register
- EU-award schemes with press communication
 - Civitas Award – October, during the Forum
 - Mobility Week Award and SUMP Award – March event

Two booklets are being prepared:

(1) A resource pack for EU delegations on urban mobility

EU activities on urban mobility linked with relevant policy themes:

- energy, environment, climate change, employment, growth

(2) A resource pack for third countries and cities on urban mobility

Promoting EU expertise and resources in sustainable urban mobility

- suitable and readily exploitable reference documentation on the EU activities relating to urban mobility

Both booklets are being translated into 5 languages: English, French, Spanish, Portuguese and Chinese



For more information:

EUROPA portal: ec.europa.eu/transport/themes/urban

Civitas: www.civitas.eu

Urban Mobility Portal: www.eltis.org

European Mobility Week: www.mobilityweek.eu

Smart Cities and Communities:
www.ec.europa.eu/eip/smartcities/

Horizon 2020:
ec.europa.eu/programmes/horizon2020/

Key message:

"Urban mobility can be an instrument for development and for boosting the partnership with Africa and therefore the MYC initiative focusing on SUMP and NUMPs (National Urban Mobility Plans) development supported by the EU is an important step"



Thank you for your attention!

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