

The Future of Transport and the Action Plan on Urban Mobility

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Background

- Transport is a pillar of all economic, social and culture life in the EU
- Europe 2020 Strategy underlines the importance of a mordernised and sustainable European transport system for the future development of the Union
- Over 70% of our citizens live in towns and cities; over 85% of the EU GDP is generated in urban areas
- Thus, the urban dimension of transport needs to be considered. Urban transport more prominent of EU's polical agenda than ever



The Challenges

- Maintain an effective and efficient EU transport system that meets the needs of citizens, businesses, and industry
- Reduce the negative impacts of transport on
 - Energy-supply security (oil dependency)
 - » Environment
 - » Citizens' health and well-being
 - » Climate
- Maintain commitment in time of economic crises
- Subsidiarity requires that all levels of governance need to meet the challenges (local, national, EU)





The short term

- Green Paper on Urban Mobility in 2007 gave new impetus to debate on urban transport in Europe
- Extensive stakeholder consultation helped identify 20 concrete EU-level actions in six thematic areas for implementation until 2012
- The Action Plan on Urban Mobility of September 2009 provides a coherent framework for these action
- Actions do not impose on-size-fits-all solutions but support and complement local efforts
- Review in 2012



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The long term

- Europe 2020 Strategy underlines importance of a modernised transport system for the future develoment of the Union (incl. the urban dimension)
- "A sustainable Future for Transport" (2009) was basis for wide debate on the challenges and opportunities for the transport sector in the long-term
- Decarbonisation of transport until 2050
- Commission vision for the future of transport will be presented in the upcoming White Paper
- The Commission will work to develop a Sustainable Transport Technology Plan (following the SET Plan)





- Civitas Developing tomorrow's solutions
 - Development of new technologies and integrated concepts for urban mobility in demonstration projects
 - City-led cooperation and information exchange across Europe
 - Promoting an integrated approach

Funded by EU Research Framework Programme

- Keyfigures:
 - >> 58 demonstration cities
 - Over 170 network cities
 - >> 180 M€ funding since 2002



EU Funding Instruments – Examples I

EU Research Framework Programme

- Total of 4.16 B€ committed to transport theme in FP7

Structural and cohesion funds

- Approx. 8 B€ allocated to clean urban transport
- Provide e.g. financial support for 'transport investments and integrated strategies for clean transport' and for 'promoting clean and sustainable public transport, particularly in urban areas.

Public Private Partnerships

- e.g. Green Cars Initiative of the European Economic Recovery Plan with a budget of 5 B€ (1 B€ RTD grants + 4 B€ EIB loans)



EU Funding Instruments – Examples II

- Marguerite the 2020 European Fund for Energy,
 Climate Change and Infrastructure
 - joint initiative of Europe's leading public financial institutions , including EIB
 - supports green field investments in a number of target sectors, including transport
- Other instruments and programmes: STEER, MARCO POLO, ...
- General grants and tenders (e.g. for studies)





Conclusions

- An EU vision for the long-term development of the European transport system will be elaborated and presented in the coming months
- As the same time, the Commission will continue its activities to address the challenges and reach the objectives already identified



THANK YOU!

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