



Introducing CIVITAS

Sustainable and smart mobility for all



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The CIVITAS Initiative is one of the flagship programmes helping the European Commission achieve its ambitious mobility and transport goals, and in turn those in the European Green Deal. It does this by acting as a network of cities, for cities, dedicated to sustainable urban mobility.

Through peer exchange, networking and training, CIVITAS fosters political commitment and boosts collective expertise, equipping cities to put mobility at the heart of local decarbonisation efforts. It also offers local authorities and practitioners opportunities to develop, test, and roll out innovative sustainable urban mobility measures.

The urgency of such solutions is clear. Nearly 70% of EU citizens live in urban areas, where the effects of transport-produced greenhouse gas emissions - which account for a quarter of the EU's total emissions - are felt most severely.

Co-funded by the European Commission, CIVITAS is supporting cities to reduce these and ensure smart and sustainable urban mobility is a reality for all. In doing so, it is making mobility a driving force behind the creation of the climate-neutral and resilient cities Europe and its citizens need.



Advancing THEORY AND PRACTICE

Since 2002, CIVITAS has made urban mobility greener in places of all shapes and sizes, whilst informing research in the field. Much of this has been achieved through CIVITAS projects – these span three different types that systematically feed into each other.

As part of Living Lab projects, over 80 cities have developed, implemented and evaluated integrated sets of urban mobility measures. The solutions' complementary nature enhances their impact and contribution to policy goals.

Thematic research projects complement the knowledge gained through the Living Labs by exploring the feasibility of new or improved technologies, products, processes, services or solutions. They engage interdisciplinary partners to drive mobility innovation.

Support projects facilitate cross-project coordination, serve as exchange mechanisms and facilitate capacity building, both for Living Lab and research projects and certain thematic areas.



Framed by **THEMATIC AREAS**

The work of CIVITAS and its projects are underpinned by ten core thematic areas – these span the whole urban mobility spectrum and planning cycle.

Active mobility

Making walking and cycling the preferred travel choices for people in cities.

Behavioural change and mobility management

Influencing and changing attitudes and travel behaviour through “soft” measures.

Clean and energy-efficient vehicles

Travel options and infrastructure for cleaner vehicles and fleets.

Collective passenger transport and shared mobility

Using public transport and shared mobility to put private cars in the shade.

Demand and urban space management

Managing urban space and travel demand for the benefit of sustainable modes and people-friendly places.

Integrated and inclusive planning

Influencing and changing attitudes and travel behaviour through “soft” measures.

Public participation and co-creation

Involving citizens and stakeholders in planning to improve the quality and acceptance of urban mobility measures.

Road safety and security

Ensuring the well-being of all those navigating urban environments.

Smart and connected mobility

Establishing the critical link between new user-friendly transport services and decarbonisation.

Urban logistics

Promoting cleaner urban freight vehicles and more efficient goods distribution.



Timeline of CIVITAS phases

2002-2006

CIVITAS I

19 cities

4 Living Lab projects



2005-2009

CIVITAS II

17 cities

4 Living Lab projects



2008-2012

CIVITAS Plus

24 cities

5 Living Lab projects



2012-2016

CIVITAS Plus II

8 cities

2 Living Lab projects



2016-2020

CIVITAS 2020

17 cities

3 Living Lab projects



2021-2025

CIVITAS 2030

6 cities

2 Living Lab projects

Engaging the **CIVITAS COMMUNITY**

The CIVITAS Community gathers actors united in their desire for sustainable and smart urban mobility.

CIVITAS cities

Cities that become CIVITAS members enter into a thriving network of over 330 local authorities. Membership is free of charge and open to all cities who sign the CIVITAS City Declaration. Members enjoy multiple benefits, including:

- Inspiration and guidance for local action through knowledge gained from CIVITAS peers on their decarbonisation and sustainable mobility work.
- Contributing to EU policy by becoming a member of the CIVITAS PAC;
- Recognition of excellence through the CIVITAS Awards, prestigious EU-awarded prizes that only members can apply for.

International visibility for their achievements via CIVITAS communication channels and exhibiting at the flagship CIVITAS Forum events.



The European Commission

CIVITAS sits under the European Commission's Directorate-General for Mobility and Transport (DG MOVE), and helps apply its urban mobility framework at the local level. Project implementation is overseen by the European Climate, Infrastructure and Environment Executive Agency (CINEA).

CIVITAS National Networks (CIVINETs)

The CIVINETs are networks of cities and relevant institutions promoting the CIVITAS approach at the local level, overcoming language and contextual barriers for local authorities and organisations interested in sustainable urban mobility.



Policy Advisory Committee

The Policy Advisory Committee (PAC) is a group of elected politicians that acts as an advisory board to the CIVITAS community. It meets regularly with DG MOVE and provides a local perspective on EU mobility policy.



Building **KNOWLEDGE**

CIVITAS offers a wide-ranging set of resources and activities for enhancing urban mobility expertise.



Learning Centre

CIVITAS' online Learning Centre contains a large catalogue of capacity building opportunities. This rich collection of e-courses, recorded webinars, and training events covers the whole thematic spectrum.

Fresh Brains

Fresh Brains is the CIVITAS programme for students. Organisations working on urban mobility can host students and benefit from their fresh perspectives, whilst students gain vital thematic knowledge and work experience. Internships and hackathons are just some of the activities organised.



Tool Inventory

The CIVITAS Urban Mobility Tool Inventory is a searchable database of over 200 tools and materials that enables local authorities to make better informed decisions on the right planning tools to use in their local contexts.



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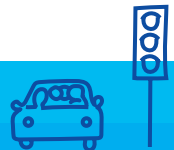
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