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Dynaxibility4CE brings sustainable urban mobility to Eastern Central Europe

EU funding helps cities to enhance sustainable mobility plans. The two-year EU-funded Dynaxibility4CE project aims to support cities in Central- and Eastern Europe (CE) to enhance their currently existing mobility plans by promoting the sharing of best practices within the geographic region. Sustainable solutions include 'Mobility as a Service' (MaaS), 'Urban Vehicle Access Regulations' (UVARs), 'Connected and Automated Driving' (CAD) and the creation or enhancement of Sustainable Urban Mobility Plans (SUMPs).

The Dynaxibility4CE project aims to identify possible synergies of the involved cities and related projects to reduce potential knowledge gaps. These capacity-building measures will benefit the project partners and involved cities and will additionally help to downstream low-pollution mobility trends to a wider audience in Central Europe. In this process, the public (transport) authorities are the main target group of the project. The sharing of results from various EU-funded projects, such as 'CoEXist', 'SUMPS-UP' and the 'CIVITAS initiative' will build capacities and create ties between experts from various geographic, academic and organizational backgrounds.

The respective partner cities of Graz (AT), Leipzig (DE), Stuttgart (DE), Parma (IT), Koprivnica (HR) Budapest (HU) and Krakow (PL) function as case studies. Simultaneously, the lessons learned from the respective urban municipalities will help to update the outlines created in the European Commission's urban mobility package and SUMP topic guides. Since many cities are at different stages of implementing or overhauling their SUMPs, our partners can learn by exchanging experiences and ideas.

It is essential to put the citizens into mobility policies of the future. Thus, the project aims to change harmful car-centric mobility policies into sustainable citizen-centric plans, by increasing the planning capacities of local authorities. Investments in public transport, bike-sharing schemes, bicycle-lanes and other mobility measures are often strategically cumulated in Sustainable Urban Mobility Plans. The gathered knowledge will support the partner cities and the national plans in their respective countries.

Training sessions will uncover synergies. Current planning approaches, methods, tools, databases and transport models are not adapted to meet the planning needs for new innovative mobility trends. In Dynaxibility, eleven trainings will be held within the project's lifetime, of which seven focus on increasing capability for a more dynamic and flexible low-carbon mobility planning. The remaining four trainings will be dedicated to the new tools developed in Dynaxibility for self-assessment stakeholder engagement, transport modelling and data-based air quality measurement planning.

Workshops are a means of knowledge exchange. Projects results and lessons learned will be shared through a series of international and national workshops, which aim to enhance cooperation and exchange of experiences on different levels. This endeavor is supported by external experts inside the CE Region, like Austriatech (AT), Mobilissimus (HU), ARPAE (IT) and Redmint (IT), as well as Rupprecht Consult (DE) and Polis Network (BE) from outside the region.

If you are interested receiving further updates and would like to learn more about the project, we invite you to visit <u>our homepage</u>, or follow us on <u>Twitter</u> or <u>LinkedIn</u>.