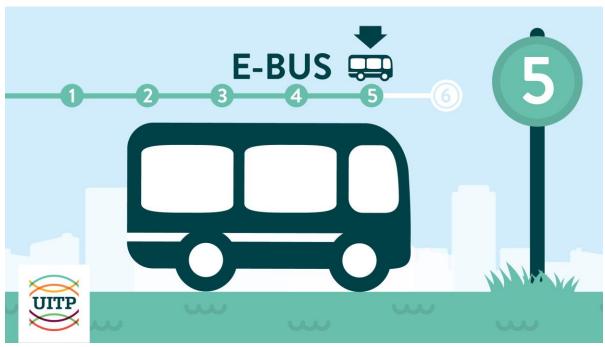


## PRESS RELEASE

## ELECTRIC BUSES AND URBAN LIFE: UITP POLICY BRIEF SHOWS IMPACT ON CITY LIVING



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UITP is continuing our journey with "<u>The Story of the Bus</u>"... as we bring you our final expert bus publication in the lead-up to the 2019 <u>International Bus Conference</u>
(Brussels, 21-23 October 2019).

Today, we launch the **latest** <u>UITP Policy Brief: "The Impact of Electric Buses on Urban Life"</u> – the latest sector update on what the development of the ebus means for city living.

Electric buses are one of the most topical talking points in the bus sector – and with our Bus Transport Unit Leader Arno Kerkhof recently describing the industry as having been resurrected due to technological advancements, this is the perfect time to discuss their impact on our urban mobility and city living.

Our Policy Brief will detail the benefits electric buses can bring to cities, and to help better understand their various infrastructural impacts on urban spaces and space needs.

"Electric Buses can improve greatly urban quality of life, by reducing noise pollution, CO2 emissions and by bringing more attractiveness to city centers. However, setting up electric buses is not only about the vehicle itself. The latest Policy Brief from UITP displays the infrastructure, planning and operational needs for the implementation of electric buses. All those interested by the topic should consider the recommendations presented in this new UITP Policy Brief."

## Hanne Bertnes Norli, Market Director, Norwegian Railway Directorate Chairwoman of the UITP Transport and Urban Life Commission

In order to meet their transport emissions reduction targets, many cities around the world are setting up specific strategies by considering electric mobility, and more specifically electric buses, for their public transport networks.

From July until the <u>International Bus Conference</u>, held in conjunction with <u>Busworld</u>, UITP has launched four dedicated bus papers detailing the latest developments on **Bus Rapid Transit**, **trolleybus**, **global bus statistics** and now, the impact of **electric buses on urban life**.

These expert publications show how the bus sector has modernised and what the future can and should look like.

These developments and more will be discussed alongside many other innovative topics when the sector gathers for the International Bus Conference this autumn (*Brussels*, 21-23 October 2019).

Stay connected to <u>our newsroom</u> for more on the worldwide bus sector.

## Free press and media registration will open next week for the UITP International Bus Conference – with unlimited access to the Busworld exhibition included!

(UITP) The International Association of Public Transport works to enhance quality of life and economic well-being by supporting and promoting sustainable transport in urban areas worldwide. As a passionate champion of sustainable urban mobility, UITP is internationally recognised for its work to advance the development of this critical policy agenda. With more than 1700 members in almost 100 countries, UITP has a long history to its name, and is the only worldwide network to bring together all public transport stakeholders and all sustainable transport modes.

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