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## **EU Recovery Package: Public transport contributes to clean and sustainable urban mobility**

**With the European Recovery Package having been published last week, UITP is pleased to see that the Commission's strategy is strongly aligned with the European Green Deal.**

Indeed, European investments should be forward looking and support the climate, environmental and digitalisation objectives.

In the field of urban and suburban mobility, this means a much stronger focus on public transport and active mobility.

The public transport sector has been suffering during the COVID-19 crisis and will continue to do so in the next months and years.

It is crucial that public transport can benefit from the Recovery Package and grow in the future to ensure that our cities *build back better* so that they are more resilient and sustainable.

UITP welcomes that the Commission's communication recognises the need for a shift to clean urban mobility, while stressing that public transport is the most sustainable transport option alongside walking and cycling.

UITP expects the Commission to be more explicit about measures that will support and encourage this shift in the upcoming Sustainable and Smart Transport Strategy.