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TRANSPORT



PUBLIC TRANSPORT MOVING EUROPE FORWARD



EUROPEAN CITIES OF TOMORROW: THE BENEFITS OF PUBLIC TRANSPORT

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EMPOWERS THE ECONOMY

The economic benefits of public transport are five times higher than the money invested in it.

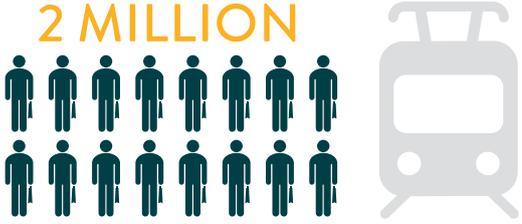


OFFERS SUSTAINABLE MOBILITY



Doubling public transport's market share worldwide would save around 170 million of tons of oil and around 550 million of tons of CO₂ equivalent.

CREATES LOCAL JOBS



Public transport companies are amongst the largest employers at the local level. They employ more than two million people in the EU and, these jobs cannot be delocalised.

ENSURES SOCIAL COHESION



Public transport brings people together. It plays a crucial role in local development, offering mobility to all and maintaining the social and urban fabric.

CONTRIBUTES TO PUBLIC HEALTH POLICIES



A shift towards active modes of transport (public transport, cycling, or walking) helps improve citizens' health, especially in urban areas.

SAVES URBAN SPACE



At current occupancy rates for cars, a full standard bus can take more than 40 cars off the road. A full metro set can take 600 cars off the road. In addition to traffic reduction, it frees up space otherwise used for parking in dense urban areas.

MAKES CITIES MORE LIVEABLE

More public transport means less congestion, less noise, better air quality and reduced pollutant emissions. It supports more efficient land-use policies.



MAKES CITIES SAFER

Travelling by public transport is much safer than travelling by private car



UITP STANDS FOR:



➤ POLICY COHERENCE

The promotion of public transport is not just the responsibility of transport or environmental policy makers. It requires a coherent framework across different policy areas: energy, competition, finance, industry, digitalisation, climate, education, TEN-T, as well as social, health and consumer issues.

➤ REGULATORY STABILITY

The public transport sector is based on long-term heavy investments from adequate services, whether these concern rolling stock or infrastructure. These lengthy economic cycles require long-term political commitment, legal certainty and regulatory stability.

➤ MODAL SHIFT

Europe is a highly-urbanised continent. More than 70% of the EU population is living in urban areas. High population density and a large proportion of short-distance trips make cities well-suited to the switch to low-carbon mobility, with walking, cycling and public transport and the development of other shared modes.

➤ PASSENGER SATISFACTION

Public transport is committed to offering quality services adapted to all and to guaranteeing efficient and attractive mass transit, allowing tens of millions of passengers to travel every day.

ABOUT UITP

UITP (International Association of Public Transport) is a passionate champion of sustainable urban mobility and is the only worldwide network to bring together all public transport stakeholders and all sustainable transport modes. We have **1,500** member companies giving access to over **18,000** contact members from **96** countries. Our members are public transport authorities and operators, policy decision makers, research institutes and the public transport supply and service industry.

In the European Union, UITP represents the interests of more than **400** urban, suburban and regional public transport operators and authorities from all Member States and interacts with the European institutions and other organisations.

What we work on:

- ✓ Digitalisation & autonomous vehicles
- ✓ Financing & funding
- ✓ Low-emission mobility
- ✓ Market organisation & public service obligations
- ✓ Multimodality & Mobility as a Service
- ✓ Passenger rights & accessibility
- ✓ Social affairs
- ✓ Urban agenda

...and many more!



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