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PRESS RELEASE HOW TO BUILD SUCCESSFUL CITIES: OUR NEW POLICY BRIEF ON LAND USE AND MOBILITY PLANNING



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The last 20 years have seen an acceleration of the challenges and trends in our cities: but will the past define our urban future?

The integration of **land-use and mobility planning** to create **sustainable**, **inclusive and resilient cities** is understood as a means for shaping city development around **walking**, cycling and public transport.

But in many cities, there is still much to be done to strengthen the integration of these planning processes.

The latest **Policy Brief** from UITP: "<u>How to Build Successful Cities: Strengthening the Integration</u> <u>of Land-Use and Mobility Planning</u>" details how to improve the **relations between land-use** and public transport to build a more holistic approach to planning.

Growing urban populations are seeing an in increased demand for housing, mobility, and services – and carbon emissions, urban sprawl and traffic congestion are on the rise in almost all major metropolitan areas.

Aimed towards city leaders, decision makers, urban planners, transport authorities and mobility service providers, our new Policy Brief makes recommendations and objectives to help move towards the UN Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs).

We must all take urgent action to build back better. How do we build successful and sustainable cities? Through an integrated and holistic approach to transport and land-use planning - with people at the centre. Active mobility and public transport are key to ensure better quality of life in our cities, improving air quality locally and cutting transport emissions globally.

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Taking a close look **at the evolution of urban and mobility challenges in the last 20 years**, we know that by integrating territory and mobility planning we can **build successful and sustainable cities**.

The Policy Brief details **key characteristics of a compact urban environment**, and cites detailed examples of **the work being carried out in cities across the globe**, from **Paris and Lima**, to **Helsinki and Montreal**.

To build successful and liveable cities, it is essential to influence types of development, invest in public transport networks and limit car traffic.

Cities must prioritise accessible, safe, breathable, and walkable streets, putting people at the heart of their development - increasing the liveability of our cities is the most important goal for all of us.

How to Build Successful Cities: The Policy Brief



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