

PRESS RELEASE

The Clean Bus Europe Platform: A true tipping point in clean bus deployment



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Reaching the destination...on the road to sustainable cities

After four years, the [Clean Bus Europe Platform](#) (CBEP) is wrapping up a collaboration that has proved a true tipping point in clean bus deployment across Europe.

The CBEP, an initiative under the European Commission's Clean Bus Deployment Initiative, facilitated knowledge exchange between cities well progressed with clean bus deployment (Host Cities) and those who are yet to take the plunge (Target Cities).

Many city administrations have the political will to re-orient their public transport system towards clean buses, but lack the capabilities and know-how to do so on their own. At the same time, there is a wealth of knowledge and experience in deploying clean buses.

Led by UITP on behalf of the EC, the CBEP facilitated this knowledge to be shared beyond the circle of cities considered front runners.

"Zero-emission buses are quickly becoming a common sight in many of our cities, but not everyone has experience with this technology yet. The CBEP has helped cities across the EU switch to clean buses, offering them a unique opportunity to learn from other cities' experiences and explore available solutions together."

Dario Dubolino

Policy Officer, DG Transport and Mobility, European Commission

Taking concrete action...for a greener Europe

After four years of collaboration, 12 study tours in Europe, 15 webinars on clean bus deployment, 78 cities learning from each other, 92 resources in the CBEP Library, and more than 100 news items in collaboration with [Sustainable Bus](#), it's time to review the findings.

"Our collaboration doesn't stop here. We have given cities who are looking to make their fleets more sustainable the contacts and tools to make that happen. I'd like to think of the Platform as a strong launch of a European partnership that will continue for many years to come."

Aida Abdulah

Head of Mobility Enablers Unit, UITP

Within the Platform, exchange took many forms: webinars touching upon every topic of clean bus deployment, Study Tours and technical visits across Europe, and tailored assistance and meetings.

Here, cities had the chance to learn from more experienced cities on issues such as funding schemes, depot adaptation in terms of energy supply and safety, life cycle assessment, and many more.

The cooperation with other bodies and initiatives, like the UITP Bus and Trolleybus Committees, also fostered the exchange of peer-to-peer knowledge. Many UITP members took part in the CBEP's activities, grabbing with both hands the opportunity to share their valuable knowledge to further advance our sector.

Soon, the CBEP will also publish a new, pioneering report with joint recommendations on the impacts of the introduction of clean buses on the workforce – stay tuned!

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