In a significant move aimed at shaping the future of transportation in Europe, UITP has unveiled its comprehensive priorities for the local public transport sector during the European Union’s legislative term from 2024 to 2029.

In its policy paper, UITP emphasises the positive contribution public transport makes to the every-day life of citizens.

The association calls to action to implement the modal shift that is already outlined in the European Commission’s strategies and to make high-quality public transport a symbol of modern Europe.

“If you look at the numbers, few other sectors can claim as many positive externalities as the local public transport sector. Very few other sectors contribute as much to the achievement of the EU’s major objectives, whether in terms of employment, social and territorial cohesion or the fight against global warming. Finally, very few other sectors bring as many benefits to the daily lives of Europe’s citizens.”

Thomas Avanzata, Spokesperson of the EU Committee at UITP
With this in mind, UITP believes that it is high time to make the development of high-quality public transport a genuine priority for the EU and is proposing a series of measures.

These measures range from more political and financial support to better law-making and coherent policy frameworks that support the provision of sustainable mobility services, such as public transport.

Discover UITP’s priorities for the local public transport sector in the EU’s 2024-2029 legislative term.

MORE POLITICAL SUPPORT...AND VOTING PUBLIC TRANSPORT

Political support is also gathered in a campaign launched by UITP earlier this month: Vote Public Transport

In its European elections campaign, UITP invites all European citizens to show their support for local public transport by sharing why they love public transport and why the EU should do more to make cities and regions more liveable and sustainable with more and better public transport.

Contribute to our campaign here

UITP in Europe

ABOUT UITP EUROPE
UITP is the international association representing public transport stakeholders. In the European Union, UITP brings together more than 450 urban, suburban, and regional public transport operators, and authorities from all Member States. We represent the perspective of short distance passenger transport services by all sustainable modes: bus, regional and suburban rail, metro, light rail, tram and waterborne.

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