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POLICY BRIEF

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Recommendations to Help  
Policymakers Implement  
Car Sharing in Europe



## Car Sharing in Europe: a Multidimensional Classification & Inventory

Based on the results of the STARS Deliverable 2.1, the following **five types of car sharing** have been identified in Europe:

- **Roundtrip station-based:** bringing back a shared vehicle to the same parking location.
- **Roundtrip homezone-based:** bringing back a shared vehicle to the same neighbourhood.
- **Free-floating with pool stations:** a shared vehicle can be returned at different spots, but always in a dedicated car sharing hub/station.
- **Free-floating with an operational area:** a shared vehicle can be left at any parking place in an operational area.
- **Peer-to-peer car sharing:** shared vehicles among private drivers, either in (closed) community groups or peer-to-peer.

**Region:**

Europe-wide

**Country:**

Europe-wide

**Topic:**

Clean and energy-efficient vehicles

**Link:**

[STARS Policy Brief](#)

**Body:**

A new policy brief from the STARS project sheds light on what policymakers can do to implement better carsharing practices in Europe.

The document gives a series of ten recommendations on how they can best ensure that car sharing is integrated into existing urban transport systems without negatively impacting on other modes. These include adopting a mix of suitable car sharing models; supporting car sharing as a solution to be incorporated into sustainable urban mobility plans (SUMP); and integrating car sharing into parking management plans. The policy brief is the result of the first research activities carried out by the nine STARS partners. Read it [here](#).

Launched in October 2017, STARS is a Horizon 2020-funded project that aims to explore and boost the diffusion of car sharing in Europe. As part of this, it is analysing the car-sharing market, measuring the benefits of the different services and compare their costs, and studying user profiles and behaviour.

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