The 6th European Conference on Sustainable Urban Mobility Plans took place on Monday 17 and Tuesday 18 June 2019 in Groningen, The Netherlands. The focus of the conference was on providing support to sustainable and active cities within the SUMP context, i.e. how to make cities more walkable and cycle-friendly.

The European Conference on Sustainable Urban Mobility Plans is Europe's leading annual event for all those involved in putting the SUMP concept into practice. It serves as a forum for policy makers, local authorities, urban transport planners, academics, NGOs and other mobility professionals. The event offers opportunities to network, debate key issues and to exchange ideas on sustainable urban mobility planning. The conference is co-funded by the European Commission in cooperation with the Municipality of Groningen.
Revision of the SUMP Guidelines

Updated SUMP guidelines were presented for review by the SUMP community. Since their launch in 2013, the guidelines have become the main reference for the development of Sustainable Urban Mobility Plans and have been adopted widely across Europe. The Guidelines were updated to reflect recent trends in mobility, technology and society. At various sessions with different formats, participants provided their comments and feedback on the draft updated guidelines and gave their views on long-term planning for sustainable urban mobility. Conference attendees and all interested parties have the opportunity to provide feedback online via the following link until 9 July 2019.

Programme

The conference programme is available here.

Evaluation survey

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Presentations

Opening Plenary

- Jose Viegas, University of Lisbon - "Towards the next cycle of SUMP: preparation, delivery, learning"
- Siegfried Rupprecht, Rupprecht Consult - "Guidelines for Sustainable Urban Mobility Planning – The second edition"

Plenary session

- Henk Snapper, University Medical Centre Groningen - "Public health and mobility"
- Nicola Kane, TfGM - "Greater Manchester Transport Strategy 2040"
- Kerstin Burggraf, Dresden - "SUMP Dresden: Implementation, evaluation, multimodality"
- Alain Groff, Basel - "Basel – succesfully changing mobility behaviour"

Closing Plenary

- Xavier Sanyer, Barcelona Metropolitan Transport Authority - "The Mobility Master Plan: shaping sustainable mobility in the Metropolitan Region of Barcelona"

Parallel sessions

A1. Long term strategies to reach zero-emissions in urban mobility

- Axel Volkery, DG-MOVE European Commission - Introduction
- Lucia Ilieva, Club Sustainable Development of the Civil Society - "Incorporating climate change mitigation actions in a SUMP - the Varna case"
- Wilko Mol, OV-bureau Groningen Drenthe - "OV-bureau Groningen Drenthe, Public Transport Authority heading for zero emission"
- Floridea di Ciommo, cambiaMO s.c.m. - "Climate change, land use and health. The case of Madrid"
- Fabio Tomasi, AREA Science Park - "Guidelines for the harmonization of Sustainable Urban Mobility Plans and SECAPS"
B1. SUMP Guidelines focus session: From problem analysis to mobility strategy

- Siegfried Rupprecht, Rupprecht Consult - "Introduction to the updated SUMP Guidelines"

C1. The rise of shared, free-floating and other micro-mobility solutions

- Wulf-Holger Arndt, Difu - “Integration of shared mobility approaches in sustainable urban mobility planning”
- Pedro Machado, City of Lisbon - “SUMP and shared mobility in Lisbon: is soft regulation sustainable?”
- Esen Köse, Taxistop - “Why Shared Mobility Rocks”

D1. Road safety and active modes

- Dirk Engels, Transport & Mobility Leuven - “SUMP Guidance on Road safety for vulnerabel road users”
- Bronwen Thornton, Walk21 - “Supporting and encouraging walking in sustainable urban mobility planning”
- Alfred Kazemier, Director Spatial Planning, City of Groningen - “Cycling as a city changer”
- Pedro Homem de Gouveia, City of Lisbon - “Lisbon’s Vision Zero Action Plan”

A2. Citizen’s participation and communication

- Lior Steinberg, Humankind - “Humankind. Making cities human and kind for all”
- Juan Caballero, EUROCITIES - “Engaging with local residents in European Mobility Week campaigns”
- Yves Mathieu, Missions publiques - “SUMP design: with and for the citizens. A few practical cases”

B2. SUMP Guidelines focus session: From measure selection to implementation

- Siegfried Rupprecht, Rupprecht Consult - "Introduction to the updated SUMP Guidelines"

C2. Automated driving and the connected city

- Tom Cohen, University College London - “Automated driving, SUMPs and the citizen”
- Sophie van Velzen, City of Helmond - “The Helmond experience with automated driving”
- Carl Friedrich von Eckhardt, Head of Center of Competence Urban Mobility at BMW Group - “Solving the problems rather than regulating the solutions”
- Wolfgang Backhaus, Rupprecht Consult - “SUMP Guide on Connected and Automated Driving”

D2. Accelerating alternative fuels, vehicles and infrastructure deployment

- Thomas Mourey, Polis & Wolfgang Backhaus, Rupprecht Consult - “SUMP Topic Guide on Electrification in sustainable urban mobility planning”
- Gerrit Griffioen, Municipality of Groningen - “From polluted to clean air, from noise to whisper”
- Sergio Fernandez Balaguera, EMT Madrid - “EV charging infrastructure in Madrid”

A3. Making cities more inclusive and accessible for all

- Patrick TÓTH, BKK Centre for Budapest Transport - “Opening up for people – inspiration from”
public involvement in Budapest”
- Nick van Apeldoorn, Breda University of Applied Sciences - “SUMPs planning with and for children”
- Floridea Di Ciommo, CambiaMO - "City rights, mobility needs: a needs-based approach for inclusive cities and accessible for all"

B3. Harnessing opportunities and overcoming challenges of Mobility as a Service in SUMPs

- Lidia Signor, ERTICO - “SUMPs Guide on Mobility as a Service (MaaS)”
- Thomas Geier, Association of European Metropolitan Transport Authorities (EMTA) - “A sustainable, public value MaaS ecosystem”
- Minna Soininen, Finnish Public Transport Authority - “Finnish public transport authority's experiences on regulation enabling MaaS”
- Melinda Matyas, MaaS Lab, UCL - “Business models, enabling framework and evidence for European seamless mobility”
- Jan Bos, Publiek Vervoer Groningen Drenthe - “Experience with Mobility as a Service”

C3. How to finance your SUMP measures and build a strategic investment plan

- Frederic Rudolph, Wuppertal Institut - “Public procurement of sustainable urban mobility measures”
- Stefan Werland, Wuppertal Institut - “Financing and funding options for sustainable urban mobility”
- Ivo Cre, Polis - “How to increase the impact of public resources in urban mobility by better procurement”
- Ozhan Yilmaz, European Investment Bank - “EIB ELENA investment support facility”
- Samuel Salem, Thessaloniki Transport Authority - “Financing the procurement of the Thessaloniki metro”

D3. Strategic planning for efficient urban freight logistics

- Georgia Ayfantopoulou, Centre for Research and Technology Hellas (CERTH)/Hellenic Institute of Transport (HIT) - “SUMPs Guide on Sustainable Urban Logistic Plans”
- Karl Reiter, FGM AMOR Austrian Mobility Research, “CityChangerCargoBike and cycle logistics”
- Alessandro Delpiano, Metropolitan Area of Bologna - “Linking SULP and SUMP in the Functional Urban Area (FUA)”
- Cosimo Chiffi, TRT - “Innovation Brief on city logistics solutions”

SIDE SESSION: Facilitating urban mobility investments through SUMPs. The perspective of international banks and development organisations (organised by EIB/JASPERS)

- Jochen Schneider, EIB/JASPERS - “JASPERS involvement in SUMPs”
- Václav Novotný, Prague Institute of Planning and Development - "Introduction into the SUMP for the Prague Metropolitan Area"
- Mark Finer, Finer Transport Consulting and Zana Sokoli, UN Habitat - "Overview of SUMP experience in the Western Balkans, illustrated at the example of Prishtina, Mitrovica South and Mitrovica North in Kosovo”
- Jochen Schneider, EIB/JASPERS and Susanne Böhler-Baedeker, Rupprecht Consult - "Overview of EIB experience with Urban Mobility Planning and projects in Ukraine and initial experience in the Southern Neighbourhood”
- Ernesto Feilbogen and Michael Engelskirchen, EUROCLIMA+ - "Overview of the
EUROCLIMA+ SUMP and NUMP projects and MobiliseYourCity Community of Practice in Latin America

A4. From governance to integration of emerging mobility solutions

- Françoise Guaspare, Île-de-France Europe – “Regulating new mobility services for their integration into a multimodal transport network”
- Doris Wiederwald, Mobility Innovation, AustriaTech – “Living Labs, experimental areas/sandboxes and new governance approaches to mobility”
- Renate Preßlein-Lehle, Head of Urban Development Department, Ingolstadt – “Governance for Urban Air Mobility”
- Wilko Huyink, Managing Director Groningen Bereikbaar - “Public Private Partnership on adapting governance in a regional scale”
- Barry Ubbels, Interim City Club Chair EIT Urban Mobility – “EIT Urban Mobility: innovative solutions to challenges of cities”

B4. Parking: gamechanger for your SUMP

- Martina Hertel, Difu – “Parking management: state of play in 16 EU cities - lessons for your SUMP”
- Iwona Skowronek, NaviParking – “From plan to implementation, the role of digital parking technologies”
- Rob Poll-Van Dasselaar, City of Rotterdam – “Parking management in Rotterdam”
- Patrick Auwerx, Mobiel21 – “Parking and SUMP: a perfect match”

C4. Reaping the health benefits of walking and cycling

- Tom Rye, Edinburgh Napier University – “SUMP Guide Linking transport and health in SUMPs”
- Fabian Kuester, European Cyclists' Federation - “SUMP practitioner briefing on Cycling”
- Ian Skinner, Transport & Environmental Policy Research (TEPR) – “A short introduction to the EU cycling guidelines”
- Nino Sharashidze, WHO – “A policy platform to promote active travel and health: the Transport, Health and Environment Pan-European Programme (THE PEP)”
- Daan Bultje, Healthy Ageing Network Northern Netherlands – “Cycling in Groningen: paving the way for Healthy Ageing”

D4. Smart solutions to address mobility challenges in rural areas, and small and medium cities

- Giorgio Ambrosino, MemEx – “Smart rural transport areas (SMARTA project)”
- Sebastian Spundflasch, Ilmenau University of Technology, Germany – ”Real challenges experienced by small-medium authorities and solutions”
- Ana Dragutescu, ICLEI – “Sharing reflections on a new SUMP guidance on small and medium-sized cities”

A5. National frameworks to support SUMP development

- Tom Rye, Edinburgh Napier University and Aljaž Plevnik, Urban Planning Institute of the Republic of Slovenia - “SUMP Supporting Programmes in Europe”
- Ulf Pilerot, Trafikverket, Sweden – “National support for SUMPs in Sweden”
- Mercé Taberna Torres, Diputación de Barcelona DIBA – “Financing SUMP flagship measures and guiding municipalities with their implementation strategy”
- Simone Fedderke and Jens Vogel, Centre of Competence for Sustainable Urban Mobility (CC-
SUM) – State of Hessen – “Endurance, Prosperity, CC-SUM - Institutionalisaton of SUMP in Germany”

- Maria Perkuszewska, Polish Ministry of Infrastructure – “How can SUMPs’ creation be effectively supported from governmental level? The Polis case”
- Thomas Durlin, Cerema - “Improving the French national framework for SUMPs: mobility and land use merging into a single document”
- Gábor Sztanics, Hungarian Ministry of Finance - "Supporting SUMPs on National Level - the Hungarian Model”
- Dominique Ameele and Hannelore Deblaere, Belgian Region of Flanders - "Flanders (BE) new regulatory framework for Regional SUMPs”

B5. Air quality policy and urban vehicle access regulation

- Ivo Cre’, Polis – “SUMP Guide on UVARs”
- Raluca Marian, International Road Transport Union (IRU) – “Mobility services and UVARs: do’s and don’ts”
- Marijn Slabbeekoon, DPDHL Brussels (GOGREEN Program Manager) - “Challenges in the Urban Logistics Domain; from a LSP’s point of view”
- Betty de Boer, Groningen-Assen Region - “HUBS & P+R’s = A strategy for car regulation in the Groningen-Assen region”

C5. Measuring SUMP impacts and indicators

- Andree Woodcock, Coventry University - “SUMP Guide on Social Impact Assessment”
- Violeta Mihalache, Romania – “Urban mobility indicators: challenges and success”
- Mircea Steriu, UITP – “Measuring for progress: global indicators in the era of the city”

D5. Multi-level governance and integrated planning at the regional scale

- Matilde Chinellato, EUROCITIES - “SUMP Guide on Metropolitan Areas”
- Maria Morfoulaki, CERTH - “Recommendations for strengthening the role of Regions in achieving sustainable urban mobility”
- Marlene Damerau, Rupprecht Consult and Kevin van der Linden, Rijkswaterstaat – “How to connect Europe’s urban nodes with the European Transport Network?”
- Klemen Gostič, Regional Development Agency of Ljubljana - “Participatory regional transport planning, measures and lessons learned from Ljubljana urban region SUMP”
- Bert Popken, Municipality of Groningen - “Integrated Spatial and Mobility Planning: 40 years of (learning) experiences”

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