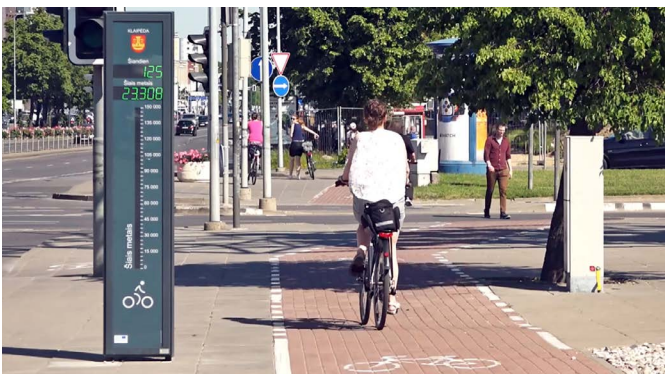




## BIKE COUNTING SYSTEM



Klaipeda has favorable cycling conditions, such as a well-developed network of cycling paths, and the favorable health impacts of cycling are evermore being recognized as an important element of a healthy lifestyle.

Therefore, Klaipeda considers it of vital importance to get more people use bikes - not only for their leisure purposes as they are already accustomed to, but also for their every-day short trips to work.

## CONTEXT & CHALLENGES

One of the most important outcomes of this measure is the formation of a new public approach towards implementation of innovative infrastructural and technical decisions that are brand new in the City. In particular, the public awareness and acceptance is increasing, with some fluctuations affected by seasonality and other alternative and classical means of daily mobility in the City.



Klaipeda City Municipality Administration installed bike-counters in the City, which provides data on frequency and intensity of bike use along the main cycling paths within the City. These bike counters on the arterial cycling paths encourages people to use their bicycles for daily commuting & provides data on cycling trends to be used for future developments in cycling infrastructure.

Citizen engagement was crucial throughout the project; potential users were being engaged from the start of the project through public surveys.

Data can be found under the following link:

<https://www.eco-public.com/ParcPublic/?id=4586>



## RESULTS - FINDINGS - LESSONS LEARNED

### Assessment:

The implementation of the measures have led to an increase in public awareness and acceptance of cycling. There is a positive approach towards cycling - not only for leisure and recreational purposes, but also for commuting purposes. Tolerance for cyclists has increased significantly now that cycling is being actively promoted, even

when in some of the areas cyclists have to share road space with pedestrians, as cycling marks are sometimes running over the pavement.

### Lesson learned:

When preparing the technical documentation for the bike counters, we had to overcome an issue with the cultural herit-

age department. As a substantial part of Klaipeda's city centre is acknowledged as cultural heritage, this is an important factor to take into account when planning future projects.



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