First European workshop on national SUMP programmes

26 September 2017, Torres Vedras, Portugal

Our cities are currently facing a number of pressing challenges, including attracting investment, energy efficiency, limited resources, social equity, and pollution. Sustainable Urban Mobility Plans (SUMPs) are proving to be a tool capable of addressing and providing solutions to these issues. So far, support for SUMP take-up has been targeted at cities, as the local authorities responsible for mobility are often in charge of developing and implementing mobility plans.

Experiences from several European countries highlight the important role that national and regional governments play in encouraging cities to develop SUMPs. Often, a lack of legal, institutional, financial and methodological frameworks hinder SUMP development and implementation.

As one of the three SUMP-related projects under the European Union's CIVITAS 2020 initiative, SUMPs-Up recognises the value of acting at both local and national levels.

In collaboration with CIVITAS PROSPERITY, SUMPs-Up is organising a series of events in 2017 and 2018 dedicated to national urban mobility programmes. These workshops target agencies, key SUMP stakeholders and representatives from national governments. They aim to increase the interest in and awareness of SUMPs at the national level, whilst establishing what support cities need. They will also feed into a forthcoming policy paper on national urban mobility programmes for national decision makers.

The first meeting will take place on 26 September 2017 in Torres Vedras, Portugal, prior to the CIVITAS Forum Conference 2017 (27-29 September). As the initial event in the series, the SUMPs-Up and PROSPERITY projects will be presented, as well as the updated analysis - conducted by these projects - of national SUMP programmes. For a previous assessment of these, see the 2013 ENDURANCE National Inventories Summary.

This will be followed by two presentations. The first will explore the approach devised by Mobilise Your City to support the development of national urban mobility programmes in developing countries, whilst the second will look into recommendations put forward by the CIVITAS CAPITAL Advisory Group to the European Union and national authorities on SUMPs. Attendees will then have the opportunity to contribute to the development of future workshops by sharing their experiences, expectations and views.

Workshop draft agenda

Tuesday 26/09/2017	13.30	Registration and welcome coffee
	14.00	**Welcome and introduction**
	14.10	**Introduction by DG Move / INEA** (*to be confirmed*)
	14.30	**Presentation of CIVITAS SUMPs-Up** Accelerating the take-up of SUMPs in Europe
	14.45	**Presentation of CIVITAS PROSPERITY** Supporting local and national authorities to improve the quality and uptake of SUMPs
	15.00	**National SUMP programmes analysis** Updated overview on national frameworks for SUMP support in European countries
	15.30	**Mobilise Your City - http://mobiliseyourcity.net/** Establishing national urban mobility programmes in developing countries
	16.00	**Good practices from national programmes to increase SUMP support** First recommendations from PROSPERITY
	16.30	**Working session – Towards a policy paper for developing national SUMP programmes** What kind of support should there be for and from the national level? How should things proceed?
	17.30	**Wrap up - closing session/next steps**
	17.45	**End of the meeting**

Venue

The venue is the same as the CIVITAS Forum Conference:

Centro Social Paroquial Torres Vedras (Parochial Center)
Rua António Leal D'ascenção 2, 2560-295 Torres Vedras

For practical information on the venue and on the CIVITAS Forum annual conference, visit
http://civitas.eu/civitas-forum-conference-2017

Registration

The event is free, but registration is required.

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