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# Sustainable Urban Integrated Transport Systems

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Transferable tools  
for Small-Medium  
local authorities





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## The SUITS project approach

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The SUITS project takes a sociotechnical approach to capacity building in Local Authorities and transport stakeholder organizations, with special emphasis on the transfer of learning to smaller sized cities, making them more effective and resilient to change in the judicious implementation of sustainable transport measures.

Key output is a validated capacity building program for transport departments, and resource light learning assets (modules, e-learning material, webinars and workshops), decision support tools to assist in procurement, innovative financing, engagement of new business partners and handling of open, real time and legacy data.

The SUITS project argues that without capacity building and the transformation of transport departments into learning organizations, training materials will not provide the step change needed to implement innovative transport measures.



## Capacity Building Program

SUITS developed a suite of learning materials (Capacity Building Program) for decision makers and planners in small and medium sized cities. The aim is to address knowledge gaps and misconceptions related to urban planning measures and to the deployment of innovative mobility solutions and technologies. The learning materials are provided in webinars, as on-line documents and transmitted via workshops and multiplier events.

To understand the needs of the transport departments, the SUITS project has worked extensively with partner cities (Alba Iulia, Transport for West Midlands, Kalamaria, Turin, Rome and Valencia and follower cities of Dachau, Stuttgart and Palanga) to determine first of all, the existing gaps in knowledge and secondly what changes need to be made within the organization for it to work more effectively, apply, use and measure the impact of capacity building measures.

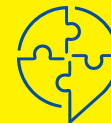
SUITS work has confirmed that local authorities (LAs) face many challenges in developing sustainable urban planning measures and deploying innovative mobility solutions and technologies. Substantial drawbacks occur in the implementation phase of urban mobility projects; particularly in terms of improving conceptual planning processes and establishing sustainable financing schemes.

## Capacity Building Program Scope



### Increase

the capacity of small-medium local authorities to develop and implement sustainable, inclusive, integrated and accessible transport strategies, policies, technologies, practices, procedures, tools, measures and intelligent transport systems that recognize the end-to-end travel experiences of all users and freight.



### Support

small-medium Local Authorities in developing SUMP's by transforming them into learning organizations.



### Make

transport departments resilient and responsive to new challenges and changes.



### Beneficiaries

(a) Policy makers and heads of departments in local authorities, (b) Planners and middle level staff and (c) Engineers and designers working in local authorities.



## SUITS Capacity Building Program Modules

Requirements analysis of the SUITS cities and reviews of existing guidelines has led to the development and implementation of six tailorable modules, specially designed for S-M LAs. These modules include a Facilitator Guide and appropriate training material delivered either as classroom courses (modules 1-4) or e-learning modules (5-6).

### SUITS Capacity Building Program Modules

#### Module 1



Implementation of innovative transport schemes  
*Classroom course*

#### Module 2



Introduction of emerging transport technologies  
*Classroom & webinar/e-learning*

#### Module 3



Implementation of urban transport safety & security measures for all/vulnerable users  
*Classroom course*

#### Module 4



Implementation of urban freight transport measures  
*Classroom course*

#### Module 5



Data collection and analysis tools for integrated measures  
*Webinar/e-learning*

#### Module 6



Innovative financing, procurement & business models  
*Webinar/e-learning*

## Capacity Building Program Toolbox

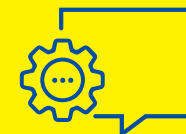
The SUITS CBP Toolbox consists of:

01.



A step by step guide for LAs assisting them in the decision-making process when developing SUMP;

02.



An Integrated Decision Support Tool to assist LAs in setting innovative financing, public procurement and project development processes;

03.



Links to resources such as databases and models that are particularly relevant to transport planning and sustainable mobility planning for LAs and;

04.



Relevant examples and case studies.

Webinars and  
E-learning courses  
available:



[www.nuacampus.org/elearning/mod/page/view.php?id=16](http://www.nuacampus.org/elearning/mod/page/view.php?id=16)

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