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In September 2016 Antwerp was host to the CIVITAS PORTIS kick-off meeting. The project involves 33 partners from 6 cities working together in the coming 4 years on sustainable mobility in terms of commuter’s traffic as well as transport and logistics.

Five living labs are implementing mobility measures, supporting their multifunctional role of cities, ports and gateways to inland areas. PORTIS aims to show that sustainable mobility can increase functional and social cohesion between city centres and ports, while pushing the economy forward and boosting the allure of modern urban environments.

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The CIVITAS PORTIS project is coordinated by the City of Antwerp and ends in August 2020.

**CONSTANTA AND ITS LIVING LAB**

Constanta is one of the most important economic, cultural and touristic urban areas in Romania, located on the European Union SE border, by the Black Sea.

Constanta has a strategic geographic position, on the route of 3 TEN-T corridors (IV, IX and VI), at the junction of commercial routes linking Central and Eastern Europe with Central Asia and the Middle East regions. Mamaia resort is the most vibrant Romanian resort by the Black Sea - 883,900 tourists each summer and for the past 10 years, this numbers are continuously growing with 10-15 % per annum.

Constanta Port, the biggest on the Black Sea, one of the main economic players in the region. The City and the Port are well connected to all modes of transport: rail, roads, inland waterway, maritime transport and air. Regarding the sustainable urban mobility issues the city is fully committed to its principles and is trying to create an accessible, safe, healthy and liveable urban environment for its citizens, visitors and business.

It is planned to implement 4 innovative measures in Constanta within the CIVITAS PORTIS project:

1. **New mobility Governance for Port Cities**
   - cooperation City-Port
   - correlation of development strategies
   - Mobility Forum

2. **New mobility Lifestyles for Port Cities**
   - alternative ways for sustainable mobility
   - online access to public services

3. **Efficient and Cleaner Mobility for Port Cities**
   - online platform for public and freight transport
   - green transport and parking policy

4. **Seamless and More Efficient Freight Movements**
   - freight distribution plan

**LOCAL PARTNERSHIP OF CONSTANTA**

- Constanta Municipality
- Constanta Port Authority
- "Ovidius" University of Constanta
- Constanta Metropolitan Area Intercommunity Development Association
- European Integrated Projects

- Association MEDGreen Cluster - "Cluster for promoting the specialized businesses in eco-technologies and alternative energy sources"
- European Centre for Development Association