Biographies Moderator and speakers







Robert Stüssi - moderator

Of Swiss and Portuguese nationality, Robert Stüssi has a long career with professional experience as free-lance consultant and manager of various companies, research and teaching experience at several universities and training courses, advisor to government and regional and local authorities. He has a broad experience as a team or consortium leader and as project director, responsible for the management of projects and studies financed by different countries and international agencies (WB, EC, BAD, ASDI). He has working experience in Canada, Europe, Africa and Latin America.

Recent priorities are advising cities on new mobility concerns and the introduction of soft and complementary modes: walking, bicycling, traffic calming, car sharing and pooling, flexible transport and on the introduction of alternative vehicle and fuel technologies, having directed a 25 city two and a half year demonstration program with two electric mini buses. He is a frequent organizer, moderator and speaker in international conferences.

Pais Antunes (University of Coimbra, Portugal)

António Pais Antunes is a professor at the University of Coimbra (UC). He holds a Diploma in Civil Engineering (5 years) from the University of Coimbra and a PhD in Applied Sciences, branch Spatial Planning, from the Catholic University of Louvain, in Belgium. In the 1980s, he worked for the Centro Region Development Commission, in Portugal. He was the Director of Planning of this commission when the country joined the European Community. The fact that he took part then in many decision processes involving social infrastructure partly explains why the subject of his doctoral program was facility location. Later, he has participated in the preparation of master plans for ten Portuguese municipalities, of various sizes and in different parts of the country, being the coordinator of the technical team for three of them. In the mid-1990s, he decided to focus on his academic career at the UC, teaching Spatial Planning and Transportation Engineering. Initially, his main research area was facility location but, progressively, he extended his interests to transport planning and, more recently, to land-use/transport planning. Up to now, he has supervised 16 PhD students and authored over 150 scientific publications, including 38 articles in peer-reviewed international journals. Many of these publications originate from studies carried out in the UC under contract with public entities or private firms. António Pais Antunes currently acts as Director of the Doctoral Program in Transport Systems offered jointly by the University of Coimbra, the University of Porto, and the Technical University of Lisbon, and Member of the Coordination Team of the MIT Portugal Program. Also, he is a member of the Scientific Advisory Board of the Singapore MIT Alliance for Research and Technology, area of Future Urban Mobility. He was a Visiting Scholar of Princeton University in 1997/98 and an Invited Professor at EPF Lausanne in 2010/11 (2nd Semester).

Ivo Cré (Polis)

Ivo Cré has been Project Manager at POLIS since May 2006. Before joining POLIS, Ivo was Policy Officer for mobility at EUROCITIES. Prior to that, he worked as assistant to a Member of the European Parliament, advisor and private secretary to the Belgian Minister of Environment, and as project leader at Langzaam Verkeer. He has been involved in a wide range of European transport projects and also coordinates the Polis Working Group on Social and Economic aspects of transport, where parking issues are high on the agenda. Ivo is adult education worker and followed additional training on transport issues.

Fred Dotter (FGM-AMOR, Austria)

Since 2005 Fred is a researcher and project manager in aspects of mobility management and awareness-raising, with a focus on sustainable urban mobility, housing and mobility and alternative fuels. He has a wide range of experience in the field of mobility management and mobility consulting as he was involved in several huge research and collaborative projects, like the CIVITAS Initiative, BIOMASTER, PRO.MOTION, ADD HOME and LIFE CYCLE, co-financed by the European Commission via Intelligent Energy-Europe, the EU's Public Health Programme and the Framework Programme for Research and Technological Development.

Marcel Braun (Rupprecht Consult, Germany)

Marcel Braun has studied sociology, anthropology and pedagogy at the Universities of Heidelberg, London and Bonn. After graduation, Marcel has been a research fellow at a Cologne-based research institute where he co-ordinated an EU-funded project on the role of public authorities in Europe in promoting Corporate Social Responsibility at the regional level. From 2004-2008 he has worked within the Research Group "Energy, Transport and Climate Policy" of the Wuppertal Institute for Climate, Environment and Energy where he has been involved in interdisciplinary research projects on European and international climate policy. In September 2008 Marcel joined Rupprecht Consult - Forschung & Beratung GmbH where he is currently managing the EU-co-funded CIVITAS-ELAN project

Lies Lambert (Mobiel 21, Belgium)

For more than six years, Lies works in the field of education and campaign on sustainable mobility and transport. Her studies in education both for young children (bachelor) as adults (Masters), combined with the experiences she build in different national and international projects, she has a lots of knowledge and experiences in social inclusion projects targeting both children and adults. Lies has been involved in projects as Together on the move, CONNECT, BAMBINI, Child-friendly public space in the Brussels Capital Region, Accessible Workplace, etc.

Lidija Pavić-Rogošić (ODRAZ, Croatia)

Ms. Pavić-Rogošić, an Architect with a post-graduate course at the Social Policy Department of London Metropolitan University, is director of civil society organisation ODRAZ - Sustainable Community Development. She is dissemination manager for Zagreb, CIVITAS ELAN

She worked for ten years in the Ministry of Environmental Protection and Physical Planning and has eight years of experience in international organisations (REC, USAID/AED). With more than twenty years of experience in local community sustainable development. Ms. Pavić-Rogošić is a founder of several associations. She has many years of experience as a trainer and writer of manuals; she works as consultant for different ministries, business and other organisations.

Ms. Pavić-Rogošić is a member of the Croatian Council for Sustainable Development and Environmental Protection since 2004. She is also a member of the EU-Croatia Joint Consultative Committee since 2007.

Iva Machalová (city of Brno, Czech Republic)

Ivo Machalová Studied Geography and Cartography/ Social and Human Geography. Her diploma work was on the The Analysis of the results of the Parliamentary Elections in 2002. She is been working on the Transport Department from 2004. She is Brno Site Coordinator within the CIVITAS ELAN project.

Damjan Kregar (city of Ljubljana, Slovenia)

Damjan Kregar is measure leader for two measure in the project CIVITAS ELAN. He has a master degree in Science - Informatics and Management Science. His main activities and responsibilities are: cooperation at SAP implementation with a stress on PM module (plant maintenance), databases (relational databases), management of Informational Systems (different types of informational systems, their usability and comparison among them), strategies of informatisation of Business etc.

Lucia Cristea

Lucia Cristea has a long experience of 15 years in different EC funded projects and was part of the team on the first Romanian project in the transport sector in Framework 4. Lucia has been involved in different EC funded projects under several different EC Framework Programmes and Directorates: CAPTURE, DANTE, TOSCA, MOSES, and ECLIPSE. She was also involved in CIVITAS I, TELLUS project, being responsible for the local management and dissemination at the Bucharest test site. She has also been involved in research projects funded by Romanian Research Ministry.

Lucia's specific skills are in European project management and dissemination and exploitation strategies. In management, she is currently the Deputy Co-ordinator of the large RENAISSANCE project within CIVITAS Plus. Also in that project, she is the local dissemination manager for Perugia and is chief advisor to the dissemination project leader in Szczecinek.

Lucia has extensive expertise in dealing with the different actors relevant to sustainable transport issues, such as public authorities, industry representatives, SMEs both at local and national level and political members, in order to meet the objectives proposed. She has expertise in organizing large European project conferences, different size meetings at local, national and international level.

Lauri Pickup

Dr. Pickup has 35 years of experience in social inclusion and accessibility studies and 30 years of experience of European transport projects. Dr. Pickup started his career at the UK Government's Transport and Road Research Laboratory in the 1970s, in the newly formed Access and Mobility Division. In the 1980s, he continued his work at the Oxford University Transport Studies Unit, before setting up Transport and Travel Research Ltd. (TTR) in 1991. After 15 successful years jointly running TTR, Dr. Pickup moved from the UK to Italy, where he is now the European Regional Director for WYG Transport Solutions. Laurie Pickup is one of the most experienced European project managers in the transport sector

Laurie Pickup is currently the Technical and Scientific Manager of CIVITAS RENAISSANCE and was Evaluation Manager for CIVITAS VIVALDI. He has coordinated many European projects in his career, of relevance to this workshop would be TAPESTRY (Information and awareness raising strategies), MATISSE and ECLIPSE (Transport and social inclusion Strategies), MAESTRO (Guidelines for the evaluation of transport demonstration projects), SAMPLUS (Integrated demonstrations of ITS demand responsive transport services), QUARTET (Integrated city demonstrations of ITS strategies), CAPTURE (Demonstrations in 10 cities of physical accessibility measures), CUPID (Co-ordinated urban pricing demonstrations).

Laurie Pickup was one of the first social scientists in transport planning. He started working on accessibility and inclusion concepts in 1975 with time geographic accessibility modelling on the issue of gender, this was followed by 10 years of research in developing holistic activity-based approaches to assess the mobility situations of different population groups. In recent years, his work has developed qualitative assessment techniques for the understanding of accessibility issues and he is currently working on the assessment of 'mobility mind-sets' across the cultural diversity of Europe. His work focuses on mobility disadvantaged groups. He has worked on transport and gender/age issues since 1975.

In the UK, his work has assessed the accessibility problems facing women gaining access to employment, ground breaking work in the 1980s on access and poverty in Liverpool, work on access to education and employment in south west England, accessibility problems for children with learning disabilities in north England, problems faced by people with physical and sensory disability in Merseyside, employment access for disabled people in Bristol, transport and searching for work, mobility issues among different ethnic and religious minority groups, national longitudinal assessment of age and gender mobility trends and access issues among young adults aged 18 to 24.