

# **Sustainable urban Transport planning**

***Towards the EU thematic strategy for the  
urban environment***

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**80% of Europe's citizens live in urban areas;  
where environmental problems are felt  
most strongly:**

Noise, poor air quality, heavy traffic,  
neglect of the build environment, poor  
environmental management

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# Objectives

- To improve the environmental performance and quality of urban areas
- To secure a healthy living environment
- To reinforce the environmental contribution to sustainable urban development

# Sustainable Urban Transport

## **Cities > 100.000 inhabitants should**

- Develop and implement a sustainable urban transport plan with short, medium and long-term targets,

## **Member States will be encouraged**

- To support sustainable urban transport through a clear framework policy.

# Sustainable Urban Transport

## The Commission will

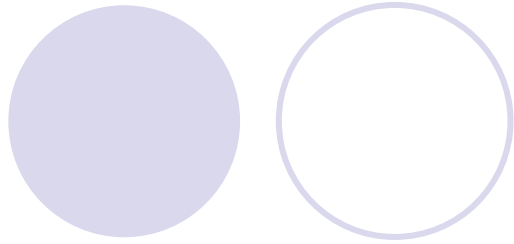
- prepare a directive focussing on the procurement of low energy and low emission road vehicles by public authorities,
- propose an Action plan promoting the market development for alternative fuels
- continue to develop and expand the CIVITAS programme

# Involvement of UITP-EuroTeam

- ✚ **Expert Group on the Urban Environment**
- ✚ **WG on Sustainable Urban Transport Plans**

# Position of the EU-Committee

- ✚ The establishment of SUTPs should be obligatory,
- ✚ Each SUTP should contain clear measurable targets for modal shift from individual transport to more sustainable transport modes,
- ✚ It should be up to the cities to decide on the measures to be implemented to achieve the objective.



**What next?**

# **Proposal of the Strategy on the Urban environment announced for the end of 2005**

**Thank you for your attention**

For more information:

<http://www.uitp.com/eupolicy/>

Report on the Sustainable Urban Transport  
Plans:

[http://europa.eu.int/comm/environment/urban/pdf/final\\_report050128.pdf](http://europa.eu.int/comm/environment/urban/pdf/final_report050128.pdf)