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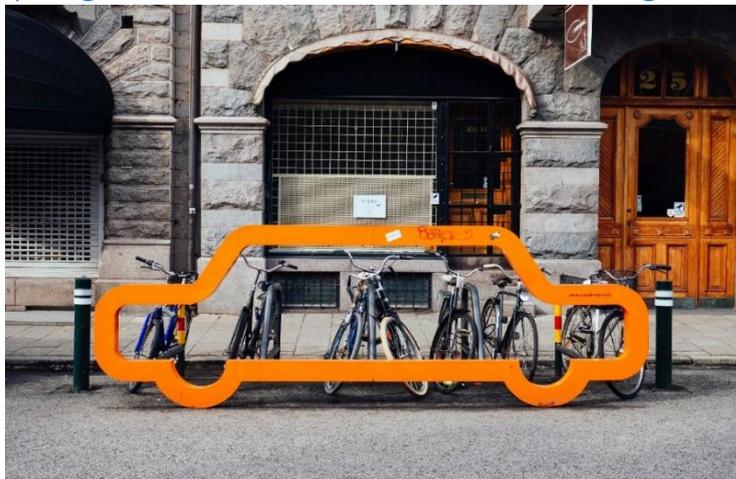


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EUKI Project Information

Cycling as an element of urban climate mitigation policy



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Background Information

The mobility sector plays a key role for tackling greenhouse gas emissions. All over the world, urbanisation is increasing. More and more people move to- or live in cities. Thus, the necessity to find smart solutions for mobility and transport in metropolitan areas is rapidly growing. A successful fight against climate change implies that traffic-emissions in cities must be kept at low levels while life quality, time efficiency and health should increase simultaneously. This makes a transformation of urban traffic systems inevitable.

A major role in a climate friendly - and human friendly - urban transportation system will be played by bicycles. There is no other mean of urban mobility which is more time efficient, silent, climate friendly and healthy.

Given that a change in mindsets is slowly taking place and an increasing number of people worldwide are discovering the advantages of cycling, change is much too slow in most cities. Most of the infrastructure is still very much focused on car-based traffic concepts of the last century.

Project

The project „Cycling as an element of urban climate mitigation policy“ (Cyclurban) will advance cycling as a measure for sustainable urban mobility and climate mitigation on a local level. In particular, the project will look at the current situation and develop measures to strengthen cycling mobility in the areas infrastructure, policy and planning, services and promotion, also taking into account new developments such as e-bikes and cargo bikes.

It will demonstrate how to integrate cycling into municipal strategies in one city in each of our five target countries: Tartu (Estonia), Riga (Latvia), Warsaw (Poland), Velika Gorica (Croatia) and Vrillissia (part of Athens, Greece). Each city will develop own specific strategies to advance urban cycling mobility. In a second step, the project will also provide recommendations on how cycling can be supported on the national level. In seminars and with the help of lessons learned publications, it will disseminate experiences to reach more municipalities and decision makers.

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Countries: Germany, Estonia, Latvia, Poland, Croatia, Greece

Project duration: 11.2017-02.2020

Target Group: Urban planners, policy makers

Implementing Organisation:
Baltic Environmental Forum Deutschland

Implementing Partner(s):
DLR
City of Tartu
Baltic Environmental Forum Estonia
Union of Latvian Cyclists
Baltic Environmental Forum Estonia
City of Warsaw
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