



International Association of Public Transport
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Sustainable Mobility for Europe in Crisis?

**Green Capital
Conference**

**March 2013
Nantes**

**A joint event by:
UITP**

**Nantes Metropole
Covenant of Mayors**

**UITP Sustainable Development Commission
10 – 11 May 2012, Rome**



Connecting the world of public transport

Nantes – Green Capital

- Over the past 10 years, Nantes has developed a sustainable transport policy with a focus on public transport and bicycles.
- Development within the city centre planned to minimise car transport and provide pedestrians with optimal conditions.
- 1st city in France to successfully re-introduce electric tramways.
- Efforts will continue in the coming years - investments in new tramways, high quality buses service and bicycle infrastructure foreseen.



Effect on Emissions

- CO₂ emissions reduced to 4.77 tonnes per capita – about 25% below national average.

Context & Objectives

- 1. Nantes, Green Capital of Europe**
Raise visibility internationally
- 2. PTx2 remains UITP flagship message**
Preach PTx2 messages and roadmap
- 3. Sustainability at risk due to crisis**
Show relevance of subject
- 4. Empowerment of Organising Authorities**
Showcase a good example of clear and consistent policy (Nantes)
- 5. Reinforcement of UITP European Division**
Develop joint action with Covenant of Mayors

Practicalities

- 11-12 March 2013
- To be held at the Cité des Congrès
- Programme design will be done in summer 2012
- Commitment of Nantes Metropole
- Covenant of Mayor's to be actively involved



Proposed conference format

Day 1

Plenary – Welcome –
Keynote - Objectives

Plenary round table

Plenary

Plenary - conclusions

Gala Dinner

Day 2

Workshop - case study

The recipe of success in Nantes:
The Nantes Metropole plan: implement,
deliver and improve

Lunch

Choice of 1 or 2 visits:

Tram / tram-train / Bus etc

List of potential topics

(not exhaustive)

Background info:

-There is not a high visibility of public transport amongst the CoM, although it potentially fits perfectly to the energy reducing objectives.

-UITP to “lobby” for cities to think about public transport in their Energy Action Plans.

-Perhaps SD signatories could be the link for each city.

- Target would be to raise potential of modal shift to attention of Mayors (PTx2)

- Energy efficient and low-emission cities
- Delivering economic growth while at the same time mitigating climate change
- Investing despite empty pockets - invest to save
- Regulatory burden affecting delivery
- Any other suggestions...

Programme Steering Group

- V. Colombo, Nantes Metropole and member of UITP's Organising Authorities Committee
- Additional member of UITP Organising Authorities Committee (tbc)
- L. Dauby, UITP
- P. Turner, UITP
- Member of UITP SD Commission – **any interest?**
- UITP European Division
- Covenant of Mayors