



# Update from the EU and current developments

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# Overview on current EU dossiers with relevance for climate change and public transport



- EU climate change policy & EU European Trading Scheme
- Future EU Transport Policy
- EU Action Plan on urban mobility
- Directive on clean vehicles
- EU Covenant of Mayors

# EU Climate Change Policy

## - Post Kyoto Protocol



- Communication COM(2009) 39 from January 2009  
“Towards a comprehensive climate change agreement in Copenhagen”
  - EU proposal for Copenhagen: 30 % CO<sub>2</sub> emissions cut by 2020 compared to 1990 for developed countries and 15-30 % emissions cut by 2020 compared to ‘business as usual’ level for developing countries
- Currently preparation for negotiations at UNFCCC Copenhagen conference in December 2009
- Setting of further EU targets and actions will also depend on results in Copenhagen



# EU Climate Change Policy

## - The Climate and Energy Package

- Adoption by European Council on 23 April 2009
- 20/20/20 package: cut of GHG emissions by 20% below 1990, 20% renewable energy, 20% improvements in energy efficiency by 2020

### Content:

- Directive revising EU Emission Trading System (EU ETS) → inclusion of aviation sector from 2012
- Decision setting binding targets for emissions from sectors not covered by EU ETS



# EU Climate Change Policy

## - The Climate and Energy Package

- Directive for setting national targets for increasing the share of renewable energy sources
- Directive creating a legal framework for use of carbon capture and storage technologies (CCS)
- Directive on reduction of GHG emissions from fuels (amending Directive 1998/87/EC)
- Regulation on emission standards for new passenger cars



# Preparation of COM communication on climate change and transport

- Initiative of DG Environment (ENVI)
- Current study to collect information and data: "EU Transport GHG: routes to 2050"
- Involvement of stakeholders in various workshops
- Participation of UITP-EuroTeam
- <http://www.eutransportghg2050.eu/cms/>

# Future EU Transport Policy



- Communication of the Commission COM(2009) 279/4 from 17 June 2009 → Basis for discussion
- Announcement for a new White Paper on Future Transport Policy (time horizon: 2030/2050) in 2010
- Consultation of COM: until 30 September 2009
- UITP input: recommendations on future EU Transport Policy

# Input to Future EU Transport Policy

- Current mobility patterns are not sustainable...
- Sending the right message to travellers on the basis of the “polluter-pays” principle...
- Making it easy to travel, in a sustainable way...
- From public transport operators to mobility service providers...

- 🇺🇸 Towards a new approach to mobility in urban areas
- 🇫🇷 Pour une nouvelle approche de la mobilité en milieu urbain
- 🇩🇪 Ein neuer Mobilitätsgedanke für unsere Städte

- 🇪🇸 Hacia un nuevo planteamiento de movilidad en las zonas urbanas
- 🇮🇹 Verso un nuovo approccio alla mobilità nelle aree urbane
- 🇵🇱 Zmienmy podejście do mobilności na obszarach miejskich





# EU Action Plan urban mobility



- Follow-up action on Green Paper on urban mobility from 2007
- Scheduled for adoption by COM on 23 September 2009
- Subsidiarity + selected actions with added value at EU level
- Concrete proposals for 20 actions at EU level
- Time frame 2009 - 2012
- Great importance for public transport sector

# EU Action Plan urban mobility



## Selected actions:

- Environmental zones: access conditions
- Information on clean + energy efficient vehicles
- Intelligent Transport Systems (ITS) for urban areas
- Dialogue passenger rights in local/regional public transport
- Recommendations on sustainable urban mobility + regional development
- Sustainable urban transport plans
- Internalisation of external costs in urban transport

# Directive on clean vehicles

## 2009/33/EC



- Published in the Official Journal of the EU on 15 May 2009
- To be applied from this date (on voluntary basis) and to be transposed by Member States until 4 December 2010
- For the purchase of road transport vehicles by:
  - contracting entities (public or private) in the framework of the public procurement law: Directives 2004/17/EC, 2004/18/EC
  - operators with a public service contract according regulation 1370/2007



# Directive on clean vehicles

2009/33/EC

- Contracting entities + operators, when purchasing road transport vehicles, have to take into account the operational lifetime energy and environmental impacts
- At least the following criteria:
  - Energy consumption
  - CO2 emissions
  - Local pollutants (incl. particles, NOx and NMHC)
  - Further criteria can be used

→ Further discussion in presentation of L. Johannson

# EU Covenant of Mayors



- Initiative of the European Commission to involve cities/municipalities in fight of climate change
- Understanding: actions against climate change should not only be discussed and realized at global/European/national level, but also be supported at local/regional level
- Promotion of an integrated approach linking energy and climate change with transport
- Current activities: workshops organised by the COM to develop methodology how to estimate CO2 savings in the areas of energy and transport
- UITP partnership and link to SD charter