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1. Title of the material

Guidelines for developing and implementing a sustainable urban mobility plan

https://www.eltis.org/sites/default/files/sump_guidelines_2019_interactive_document_1.pdf

2. Which section of the SUMP it is relevant to?

The material was prepared in the form of a handbook for people who are just starting work on planning sustainable urban mobility, as well as for experienced people, synthesizing global experiences in this field and presenting good practices. The material fits well with all milestone, but especially for 5.1.

3. Which Mobility Manager knowledge this material is the most relevant to?

It is related transport and mobility planning: strategic planning and public administration involvement challenges (section 1f of the Mobility Manger competences). The report has also a direct reference to Section 2 (Development of Sustainable Urban Mobility Plans).

4. Problem approached and content overview

The publication of this second edition of the European Guidelines for Developing and Implementing a Sustainable Urban Mobility Plan (SUMP) marks an important milestone in the take-up of a new planning culture in Europe. This comprehensive revision of the widely-used first edition of 2013 aims to integrate the dynamic developments in many areas of urban mobility and some of the rich experience of implementing the concept of Sustainable Urban Mobility Planning since then.

The material introduces the SUMP concept to readers who are not necessarily professional planners, but want to understand the principles and basic elements. Decision makers in particular may be interested to read evidence about why Sustainable Urban Mobility Planning is beneficial for cities and their residents and what its long-term impacts have been in various European cities. In developing these Guidelines, every effort was made to produce guidance that is tailored to the practical needs of planners and policymakers all over Europe. Nonetheless, it is an idealised concept for a policy field in which many demands and interests meet. Flexibility in adapting these guidelines to concrete urban realities is therefore essential to achieve progress towards more sustainable cities and urban areas.

Cities are the level of government that is closest to the people, therefore the task to plan and provide mobility for its residents lies with them in most European countries. However, national and regional governments play an important role in creating frameworks that give cities legal competences, facilitate cooperation and provide financial support. In the material summarises how national and regional government levels can support the development of SUMPs.

The material also presents a comprehensive step-by-step description of the SUMP process. Although its readers may primarily be planning practitioners and active



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participants of the planning process, it is written in a style that is also understandable for others. The study describes the structure of the new cycle of Sustainable Urban Mobility Planning: four phases, each with three steps and a total of 32 activities. Every phase and step is introduced with a brief overview. For all activities, readers are presented with a rationale, aims, detailed task descriptions, information about timing and coordination with other tasks, a checklist, as well as good practice examples and useful tools to get the work done.

Who could be interested in this material?

5. Students who are looking for:

- basic information what a SUMP is, what are the benefits of sustainable mobility planning, what elements are included in the SUMP
- examples of how SUMPs work in practice,
- a broad, detailed handbook describing the fundamental aspects of urban mobility planning and the development of SUMP documents.

6. What is worth mentioning as an innovative factor for the reader?

The material is a broad source of knowledge about the idea and principles of SUMP development. This is the basic material that every current and future author of planning studies related to urban mobility should read in detail. The material is up-to-date and written in a way that relates to practical experiences, also related to previous editions of the manual.

7. Limitations

Not noticed. The material is clearly written and is a helpful guide to getting started with SUMP shaping. The material allows for a wide expansion of knowledge thanks to references to many broader studies.

