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SUSTAINABLE MOBILITY



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Introduction

POLIS is the leading network of cities and regions, working together on sustainable urban mobility and innovation while advocating for greater involvement of local and regional authorities in national and international mobility policy agendas.

At a time when international cooperation is critical for tackling transport-related societal challenges, such as climate change, air pollution, congestion, and road safety, the exchange and cooperation opportunities offered by POLIS are instrumental. **POLIS membership** thus grants unique access to resources, networking opportunities with both public and private stakeholders, and European project support.

Our membership draws from across Europe and beyond, from large capitals, including London and Paris, to small and medium-sized cities, such as Leuven and Ravenna, as well as regions, such as Baden Württemberg and Catalonia.

In addition, our associate members are non-profit entities with an interest in sustainable mobility, including leading academic institutions.

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Our mission

At POLIS, our core mission is three-fold:

1. Exchange of knowledge



POLIS builds capacity for sustainable mobility innovation in local and regional authorities by providing a platform for peer-to-peer exchange on urban and regional mobility topics.

2. Go-to European Network for urban mobility



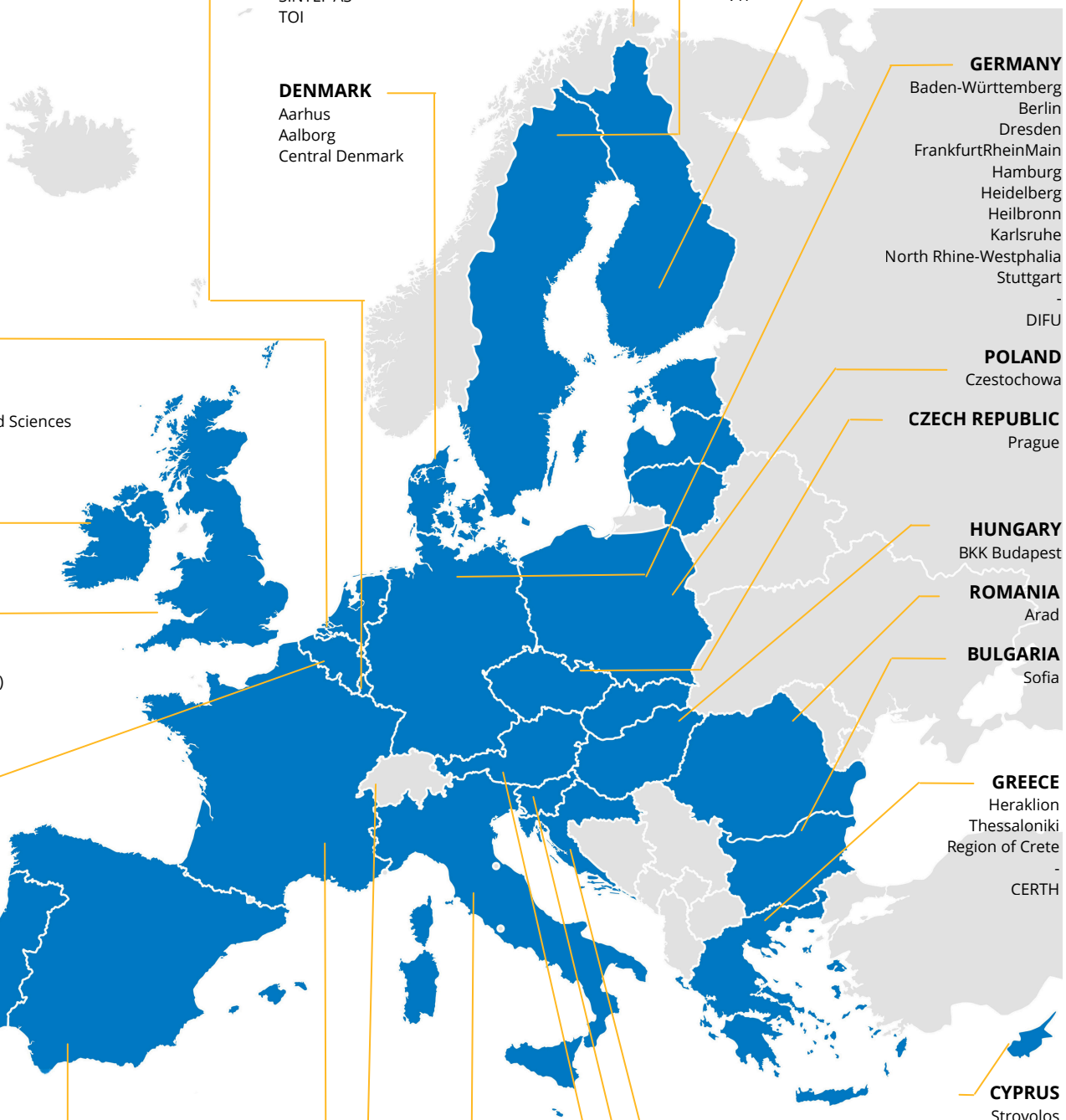
POLIS acts as the voice of cities and regions towards the European institutions and represents the interests of members on sustainable mobility issues, as well as engages with other stakeholders from research and industry

3. Access to European research and innovation



POLIS promotes collaboration and partnerships throughout Europe by helping its members gain access to and engage in EU-funded research & innovation projects on sustainable mobility.

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Amsterdam
Arnhem-Nijmegen
Eindhoven
Emmen
Gelderland
Groningen (City)
Groningen (Province)
Helmond
Land van Cuijk
Limburg
North Brabant
North Holland
Overijssel
Rotterdam
South-Holland
Stedendriehoek
Súdwest-Fryslân
's-Hertogenbosch
The Hague
Tilburg
Twente
Utrecht (City)
Utrecht (Region)
Westland
Zeeland (Province)
-
Breda University of Applied Sciences
CROW Kennisplatform
Rijkswaterstaat
Vervoerregio Amsterdam

LUXEMBOURG
LIST

NORWAY
Akershus
Norwegian Public Roads Administration
Ruter
-
Molde University College
SINTEF AS
TOI

SWEDEN
Gothenburg
Örebro
Stockholm
-
RISE
VTI

FINLAND
Forum Virium (Helsinki)
Helsinki-Uusimaa
Turku

DENMARK
Aarhus
Aalborg
Central Denmark

GERMANY
Baden-Württemberg
Berlin
Dresden
FrankfurtRheinMain
Hamburg
Heidelberg
Heilbronn
Karlsruhe
North Rhine-Westphalia
Stuttgart
-
DIFU

POLAND
Czestochowa

CZECH REPUBLIC
Prague

HUNGARY
BKK Budapest

ROMANIA
Arad

BULGARIA
Sofia

IRELAND
Cork
NTA (Dublin)

UNITED KINGDOM
TfGM (Greater Manchester)
Glasgow
Greater London
London – LEPT

GREECE
Heraklion
Thessaloniki
Region of Crete
-
CERTH

BELGIUM
Antwerp
Bruges
Brussels-Capital
Flanders
Ghent
Hasselt
Leuven
Mechelen
Schaerbeek
-
Way To Go
IMEC
KU Leuven
Lantis
MPACT
VUB

CYPRUS
Strovolos

Ukraine
Lviv
Mariupol
Uman
Uzhorod
Zviahel

PORTUGAL
Lisbon
Intermunicipal Community of Douro
-
NOVA Cidade

FRANCE
La Rochelle
Lille
Paris
Ile-de-France Mobilités
Tisseo (Toulouse)
-
CEREMA
IFP Energies Nouvelles
Université Gustave Eiffel

ITALY
Bologna
Perugia
Pisa
Puglia (Region)
Ravenna
Reggio Emilia
Rome
-
Università Iuav di Venezia
DIIES - University of
Reggio Calabria

CROATIA
Zagreb
-
University of Zagreb

SLOVENIA
Ljubljana
-
Urban Planning institute
of the Republic of Slovenia

AUSTRIA
Vienna

USA
Portland
-
MobilityData
Open Mobility Foundation

SPAIN
A Coruña
Barcelona
Bilbao
Catalonia
Gipuzkoa
Hospitalet de Llobregat
Madrid
Vic
Vitoria-Gasteiz

SWITZERLAND
SBB

POLIS Members

Working Groups

Our Working Groups offer an excellent platform for **peer-to-peer exchange and rigorous debate** with other European cities and regions on a wide range of mobility-related topics, including safety & security, urban freight, clean vehicles & air quality, health & active travel, governance, social & economic access, and smart mobility.







POLIS also regularly partners with industry bodies and other international organisations to sustain and enhance collaboration.

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Working Groups

Overview



Access

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Taskforces

The POLIS Taskforces serve as **horizontal topical groups** providing deeper insight into a specific aspect or challenge of urban mobility, integrating the knowledge and expertise of all POLIS Working Groups.

Just Transition Taskforce

The Just Transition Taskforce seeks to place affordability, inclusivity, and accessibility at the heart of all urban mobility policies. This taskforce builds on POLIS' Just Transition Agenda, which established key actions needed to ensure a fair, equitable, inclusive, and sustainable urban mobility transition.

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Climate-Neutral Cities Mission Taskforce

The Climate-Neutral Cities Mission Taskforce provides tailored support to cities and regions — as well as their peers — engaged in the EU's Climate-Neutral and Smart Cities Mission. It seeks to complement the tools provided by the Mission platform to identify common challenges, facilitate action on the ground, and advance the transport component of climate-neutrality.

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Taskforces

Urban Air Mobility Taskforce

The Urban Air Mobility Taskforce supports POLIS members in addressing the opportunities and challenges of low-altitude airspace use in urban areas. It provides a platform for exchanging experiences, shaping strategic approaches to UAM, and anticipating risks and public value implications. The taskforce also connects members with key stakeholders, authorities, and funding opportunities, while supporting the adoption of relevant regulatory and technological developments.

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Urban Nodes Taskforce

Following the revision of the TEN-T Regulation and the strengthened role of urban nodes, POLIS launched the Urban Nodes Taskforce. The taskforce focuses on addressing the challenges and opportunities related to the planning, management, and governance of urban nodes across the TEN-T network, while supporting members in meeting the requirements set out in the revised regulation.

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POLIS Capacity Lab

The **POLIS Capacity Lab** is designed to help mobility practitioners, city officials, and regional planners gain the knowledge, tools, and skills they need to implement innovative and sustainable mobility solutions. Through **peer-to-peer learning, interactive workshops, and structured training formats**, our Capacity Lab strengthens technical and strategic capabilities, accelerates the adoption of innovative solutions, and bridges the gap between policy and practice.



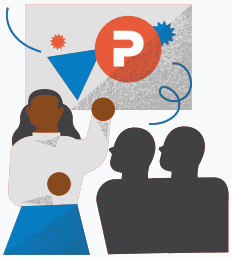
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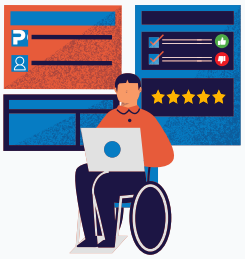
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Tools



Training Workshops



Training Courses



Lectures

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Political Group

Our Political Group meetings are unique forums for intense knowledge exchange to foster peer-to-peer cooperation and navigate the complex governance surrounding shifts to more sustainable mobility.

At our recent meetings in **Zagreb** and **Utrecht,** deputy mayors, regional ministers, and secretaries of state for mobility sat down to share and learn about the path to a cleaner, greener, and more inclusive urban mobility.



Zagreb Political Group meeting in May 2026 — POLIS



Today we tell our kids to be very careful when they bike in our cities...
I hope 15 years from now we can tell them to be **joyful**!

Elke Van den Brandt
Minister of Mobility, Public Works and Road Safety, Brussels Capital Region

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Leadership Summit

Our Leadership Summit brings together high-level political and technical leaders from government, business, advocacy, research, and practice. Convened annually, it provides a unique forum for strategic reflection and open dialogue between the public and private sectors, fostering shared understanding and collective action.

The **fifth edition** of the **POLIS Leadership Summit in Zagreb** convened leading voices in transport to address key themes at the heart of today's mobility agenda, including strengthening the fundamentals of sustainable transport, improving governance for emerging technologies, and removing barriers to more effective cooperation between public and private actors. The event sparked vital discussions on the political challenges and decisions that are defining the path toward more sustainable, inclusive, and resilient mobility systems.



Zagreb Leadership Summit in May 2026 — POLIS

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EU-funded project opportunities

POLIS offers unique access to **European research and innovation initiatives and projects on mobility**. We coordinate training and information services, assist local and regional authorities to navigate the application processes, identify concrete funding opportunities, and match potential consortium partners to jointly develop new project proposals.

We also make sure the useful outputs produced by these projects reach the target group of cities and regions and can be mainstreamed into local mobility policies.

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Showcasing our membership

POLIS provides a forum for communicating, showcasing, and facilitating exchanges on our members' sustainable mobility actions.



Communications channels

We regularly promote members' initiatives through our website, members area, newsletter, and Bluesky, LinkedIn, and Instagram accounts.



Strategic partnerships

POLIS' involvement in and cooperation with European and international partnerships and organisations (EPA, ERTRAC, ALICE, SLOCAT, SUM4ALL, and more) allows us to maximise our coverage.



POLIS magazine

Our magazine Cities in motion is an excellent opportunity for members to demonstrate their sustainable mobility endeavours.

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Annual POLIS Conference

The **Annual POLIS Conference** is Europe's leading sustainable urban mobility event, providing an opportunity for cities and regions to showcase their transport achievements to a large audience of mobility experts, practitioners, and decision-makers from both the public and private sectors.

The Annual POLIS Conference 2025 took place on 26-27 November in the City of Utrecht, The Netherlands, gathering over 1,000 mobility leaders, policymakers, researchers, and innovators. The next edition will take place **in Brussels, Belgium, on 2-3 December 2026**.



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Our mission



Peer-to-peer exchange



Policy and advocacy



Research and innovation

Our thematic areas

Our work is divided across five thematic pillars, which each host **several Working Groups and Taskforces** where members meet to exchange best practices and share knowledge on sustainable mobility.



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Active Travel & Health

Clean Vehicles & Air Quality

Climate-Neutral Cities Mission



Smart Mobility

Smart Mobility & Traffic Systems



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Access

Parking

Just Transition

Urban Nodes

Urban Air Mobility



Road Safety & Security

Safety & Security



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Urban Freight

Small & Medium-sized Cities

Regions

Capitals

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The voice of cities and regions

POLIS contributes to **EU policy** and **legislative initiatives** in the field of transport that may have an impact at the local and regional levels. We regularly update members on European policy, develop position papers on topical issues, and put forward amendments to EU legislative documents and financial perspectives.

Our high-level events



Leadership Summit
high-level dialogue between public and private sector leaders



Political Group meetings
closed forum for member politicians to exchange views



Annual POLIS Conference
Europe's leading event on sustainable mobility

Our projects

POLIS actively participates in **ongoing EU-funded research and innovation initiatives** and **projects** on sustainable mobility, providing members with exclusive access to relevant outcomes and resources.

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