



About POLIS

Membership activities &
opportunities

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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.

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.



NETHERLANDS

Amsterdam
 Arnhem-Nijmegen
 Eindhoven
 Emmen
 Gelderland
 Groningen
 Helmond
 Land van Cuijk
 Limburg
 North Brabant
 North Holland
 Overijssel
 Rotterdam
 South-Holland
 Stedendriehoek
 Súdwest-Fryslân
 The Hague
 Tilburg
 Twente
 Utrecht (City)
 Utrecht (Region)
 Westland
 Zeeland (Province)

Breda University of Applied Sciences
 CROW Kennisplatform
 Rijkswaterstaat
 Vervoerregio Amsterdam

IRELAND

Cork
 NTA (Dublin)

UNITED KINGDOM

TfGM (Greater Manchester)
 Glasgow
 Greater London
 London - LEPT

BELGIUM

Antwerp
 Bruges
 Brussels-Capital
 Flanders
 Ghent
 Hasselt
 Leuven
 Mechelen
 Schaerbeek

Way To Go
 IMEC
 KU Leuven
 Lantis
 MPACT
 VUB

PORTUGAL

Lisbon
 Intermunicipal Community of Douro
 -
 NOVA Cidade

SPAIN

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

LUXEMBOURG

LIST

NORWAY

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

DENMARK

Aarhus
 Aalborg
 Central Denmark

SWEDEN

Gothenburg
 Örebro
 Stockholm
 -
 RISE
 VTI

FINLAND

Forum Virium (Helsinki)
 Helsinki-Uusimaa
 Turku

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

GREECE

Heraklion
 Thessaloniki
 Region of Crete
 -
 CERTH
 University of West Attica

CYPRUS

Strovolos

Ukraine

Lviv
 Mariupol
 Uman
 Uzhorod
 Zviahel

USA

MobilityData
 Open Mobility Foundation

FRANCE

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

SWITZERLAND

SBB

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

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.

Working Groups Overview



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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.



Webinars



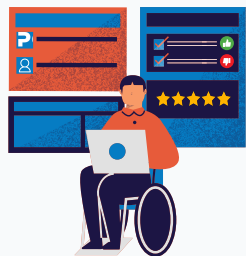
Tutorials



Tools



Training Workshops



Training Courses



Lectures

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 [Utrecht](#) and [Rome](#), 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. This May, Zagreb will welcome elected colleagues in their cities to continue these high-level conversations.



*Rome Political Group meeting
in May 2025— 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 **fourth edition** of the [POLIS Leadership Summit in Rome](#) convened leading voices in transport to delve into four critical themes shaping the future of urban mobility: leadership dilemmas, transport poverty, digital infrastructure, and green competitiveness. The event sparked vital discussions on the political challenges and decisions that are defining the path toward more sustainable, inclusive, and resilient mobility systems.

The next edition will take place in **Zagreb, Croatia**, on **26 May 2026**. **Register for the 2026 Leadership Summit [here](#).**



*Rome Leadership Summit in
May 2025 — POLIS*

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.



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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For further information please visit our website, where you will be able to find all the relevant documentation about **joining POLIS!**



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