

ReVeAL – Regulating Vehicle Access for Improved Liveability

Reference Group Activity Description

The EU ReVeAL project

The goal of ReVeAL is to add Urban Vehicle Access Regulations (UVARs) to the standard range of urban mobility transition approaches of cities across Europe. The EU funded R&I project looks at this hot topic for the first time since the CURACAO project (ending a decade ago).

The overarching mission of the project is to enable cities to optimise urban space and transport network usage through new and integrated packages of urban vehicle access policies and technologies. Such policies can lead to fewer emissions, less noise and improved accessibility and quality of life, which especially benefit the people living in these cities. These policies can also encourage more sustainable transport choices, enabling cities to become more liveable, ultimately healthier and more attractive for every member of society.

To this end, ReVeAL is combining conceptual work and case study research with hands-on UVAR implementation in six pilot cities, as well as systematic stakeholder interaction through professional communication activities. The project started in June 2019 and will run for three years. You can find more information here: www.CIVITAS-REVEAL.com

Why a Reference Group?

The Reference Group (RG) will be a community of local government policy makers, mobility service and solution providers, technology suppliers, and end user organizations, that will be engaged with the project throughout its lifetime. It will be formed by **30 active members**, who will follow the project's evolution, provide end-user feedback on work-in-progress and validate findings and developments.

This group will provide grounding to ensure that project developments and finding are in line with the expectations and priorities of users. In turn, the RG members will benefit from an increased knowledge and understanding of UVARS and will look into the possibility of deploying the ReVeAL tools in their daily activity.

The Reference Group will meet **three times** throughout the project lifetime, the first meeting will take place in **June 2020**, and the final meeting will be organized in conjunction with the ReVeAL final conference (May 2022). Travel and subsistence for non-commercial entities will be reimbursed.

Who should be involved?

Stakeholders interested in increasing their knowledge and understanding of UVARs are invited to join the Reference Group. It will be formed by a balanced group of:



- Local government policy makers
- Transport service/solutions providers
- Technology suppliers
- End user organizations

Benefits

All stakeholders can expect the following benefits form the participation in the ReVeAL Reference Group:

- Networking opportunities across Europe
- Acquiring better knowledge and understanding of Urban Vehicle Access Regulations and its related processes
- Gaining insights into how cities deal with this topic; which UVAR measures are getting implemented and how they work
- Obtaining information about measures (progress in relation to objectives, incurred costs, consumed resources, etc.) describing current performance.
- Having access to cutting-edge research and the latest information on Urban Vehicle Access Regulations
- Learning how to take up the outputs and tools developed by the ReVeAL project
- Gaining insights into future UVAR schemes

Local **government policy makers** will benefit from an increased understanding of UVARs, particularly in relation to the behavioural motivations of the various stakeholders involved and the key factors that drive mobility patterns in cities. Thus, they will expand the scope of policy options to manage urban mobility. They will also have access to information about efficient UVAR design, identify opportunities for improvement, and learn how to take up the tools developed by the ReVeAL project.

Public and private **providers of transport and mobility services** for goods and people are important to ReVeAL because they either face the consequences of UVARs or are part of the solution to answer to mobility and delivery needs within UVAR regulated zones. In addition to accessing state of the play information on UVAR deployment, these stakeholders can benefit from UVAR solutions that take their concerns and their potential into account.

The daily practice in UVAR deployment is changing fast through technological evolutions on the system side, as well as on the vehicle side. Through ReVeAL, **technology suppliers** can learn about their costumer's needs and can understand the UVAR market opportunities.

Through ReVeAL, **end user organizations** will gain visibility towards UVAR implementers, and their concerns and potential will be considered. **Urban mobility experts** can also find room in the ReVeAL Reference Group to inform themselves about the state of the art in the implementation of UVARs.

In addition, travel and subsistence for non-commercial entities will be reimbursed.

Expectations

Throughout the project, participation in the ReVeAL Reference Group may include some or all of the following activities:



- Participation in three face-to-face meetings in a plenary setting. Note that the first meeting will take place in June 2020, and the last one will coincide with the Final Conference (May 2022).
- Participation in Online Meetings might be needed in between face-to-face meetings.
- Reference Group members might also be invited to technical visits and specific trainings.

If you have any questions, please contact us:

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If you want to apply to join the ReVeAL Reference Group, please complete the online survey here by 20 December 2019.