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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 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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 Emmen
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 Groningen
 Helmond
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 North Holland
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 South-Holland
 The Hague
 Tilburg
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 Utrecht (City)
 Utrecht (Region)
 Westland
 Zeeland (Province)

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 Breda University of Applied Sciences
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IRELAND

Cork
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NORWAY

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 -
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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 urban-mobility-related topics, including freight, safety, clean vehicles & air quality, health & active travel, governance, social & economic access, and traffic efficiency.



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

Working Groups

Overview



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Taskforces

POLIS has recently established two taskforces to provide tailored support to our membership. 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 and facilitate action on the ground.

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EU-funded Project Advice & Opportunities

POLIS offers unique access to relevant outcomes of **European research and innovation initiatives and projects on urban mobility**. We coordinate training and information services, assisting 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.

TANGENT

Interreg
North Sea



Co-funded by
the European Union

ShareDiMobiHub

PHOEBE



PRECINCT



ESCALATE

LNS



MOBIDATALAB
Labs for prototyping future mobility data sharing solutions in the cloud

URBANE



LEAD

UPPER
Unleashing the Potential
of Public Transport in Europe

POLIS
CITIES AND REGIONS FOR TRANSPORT INNOVATION

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 [Paris](#), [Brussels](#), [Stockholm](#), and [Leuven](#) 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 December, Leuven will welcome elected colleagues in their cities to continue these high-level conversations.



*Leuven Political Group meeting
in December 2023 — 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*



Leadership Summit

Our Leadership Summit brings together high-level political and technical leaders in government, business, advocacy, research, and action. It convenes annually to facilitate a high-level dialogue between the public and private sectors, enable knowledge exchange, foster peer-to-peer cooperation, and feed the development of messages to the COP and other events.

After the first edition of the [POLIS Leadership Summit in Glasgow](#), where local and regional leaders from across the mobility sector met to address the transition to zero-emission and the decarbonisation of transport, the [second edition in Stockholm](#) discussed the future of sustainable transport, placing liveability and justice at the heart of action.



*Stockholm Leadership Summit
in June 2023 — POLIS*

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 [Twitter](#), [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.

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 2024](#) will take place in **Karlsruhe**, Germany, on **27 and 28 November 2024**.



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