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TRANSNATIONAL ONLINE CONFERENCE 29th September 2023

Challenges and opportunities for public transport stakeholders in rural, peripheral and cross-border areas

Citizens living in rural or peripheral areas of the Programme area are facing inadequate connectivity, fragmented transportation networks, limited last-mile connectivity, insufficient infrastructure development and lack of sustainable public transport solutions, as well as lack of digital integration and information dissemination, particularly at the cross-border level.

European policies look toward a greener and smarter future, where CO2 emissions are reduced and kept under control also through the reduction of individual mobility and private vehicles. These policies aim at providing all citizens with equal transportation services and access opportunities. It is thus necessary to design, develop and implement innovative solutions through collaboration with relevant stakeholders at a transnational level.

This conference outlines the current scenario and the specific objectives that the project aims to accomplish in the framework of the transnational sustainable mobility. Addressing these problems requires a combination of strategic planning, policy changes, joint solutions and advancements in technology to create a more efficient, inclusive, and sustainable transportation system. The SUSTANCE project plays a crucial role in addressing these challenges and enhancing transport connectivity.







AGENDA

09:15 - 09:30	Online registration
09:30 - 09:35	Welcome address and introduction Mr. Paolo Dileno - CEI-ES
09:35 - 10:10	Official opening of the Transnational online Conference Mr. Valter Flego, Member of the European Parliament, Committee for Transport and Tourism Mr. Carlo Zijno, Italian Ministry of Infrastructures and Transport Mr. Saša Amanović, Croatian Ministry of Sea, Transport and Infrastructure Mr. Matjaž Vrčko, Slovenian Ministry of Environment, Climate and Energy
10:10 - 10:20	The SUSTANCE project in a nutshell Ms. Ana Aligrudic - CEI-ES
10:20 - 10:30	From Public Transport Accessibility Assessment to Roadmaps and Transnational Action plans - Introduction to the conference theme Mr. Primož Kranjec- Prometni Institute Ljubljana
10:30 - 10:45	Measuring Public Transport Accessibility in peripheral regions: the SUSTANCE methodology Mr. Alberto Dianin - EURAC
10:45 - 11:00	Coffee Break









11:00 - 11:15	Innovative solutions for improving connectivity of peripheral regions Mr. Lluis Puerto - EIT-Urban Mobility
11:15 - 12:00	ROUND TABLE DISCUSSION Planning public transport services in rural, peripheral and cross-border regions: a difficult balance between public services and citizens' needs moderated by Mr. Paolo Dileno, CEI-ES Representatives from Projects and Public authorities: - Mr. Peter Zajc, Regional Development Agency for Koroška Region, Interreg CE TRANSBORDERS - Mr. Tommaso Bonino, SRM Networks and Mobility, Interreg CE, SMACKER and DREAM_PACE - Ms. Nadine Zandl, Schieneninfrastruktur - Dienstleistungsgesellschaft mbH (SCHIG) - Ms. Ana Mikuljan Franković, Region of Istria, (tbc) - Mr. Michael Gidam, Technische Universität Wien, RAAV project
12:00 - 12:15	SUSTANCE activities in the macro regional dimension Mr. Pierluigi Coppola, EUSAIR, Pillar 2 Coordinator Mr. Franc Zepic, EUSDR, PA1b Coordinator
	Closure of the event and final remarks
12:15 - 12:30	Mr. Winfried Ritt - Interreg Central Europe
12:30 - 12:40	SUSTANCE - Next steps Mr. Paolo Dileno - CEI-ES

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