

#### Urban mobility in the Mediterranean: Addressing challenges and capitalising on experiences

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#### **Outline of the presentation**

- 1. MedCities network
- 2. Urban Mobility in Mediterranean Cities
- 3. Challenges and opportunities
- 4. Go-SUMP and other capitalisation opportunities

#### **1. MedCities network**

**MedCities** is a network that brings together more than 50 cities around the Mediterranean basin.



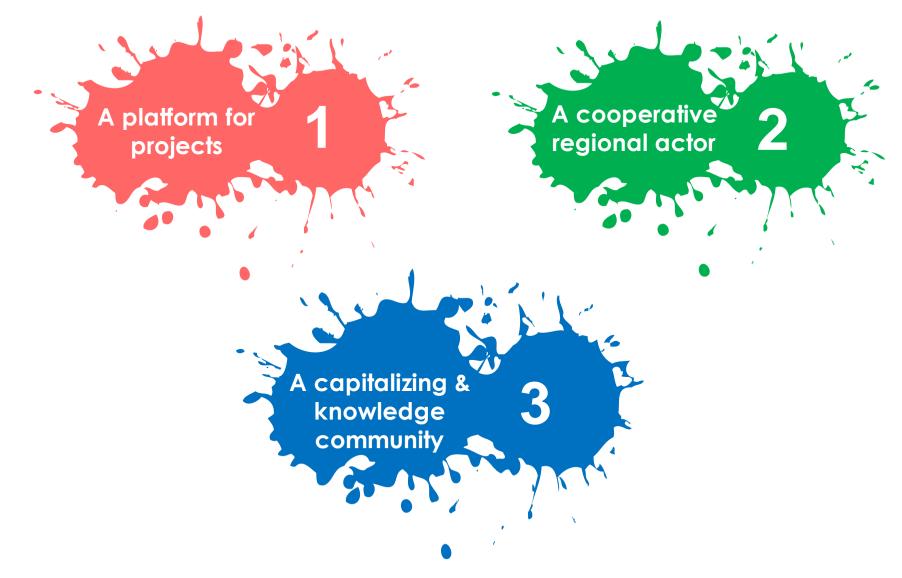
#### What cities can be member?

The local authorities of the countries on the Mediterranean coast, as well as Portugal and Jordan, which carry out or encourage activities falling within the objectives of the network. 80% of our members are cities in non-EU countries.

#### **Objectives of the network**

- **To reinforce the role, competences and resources** of Mediterranean local governments in the adoption and implementation of local sustainable development policies.
- To launch and develop direct cooperation projects and partnerships between its members and with other cities and organizations.
- **To develop knowledge exchange and capacity building activities** in the field of urban sustainable development, environmental conservation and social cohesion of Mediterranean cities.
- To promote local governance through stakeholders' and citizens' participation and awareness in the implementation of local projects and policies.
- **To advocate for the role of local authorities** in the definition of programs and policies affecting Mediterranean cities.

#### **Focus of the network**



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#### **Activities of the network**

- Promotion of the elaboration of City Development Strategies
- Technical assistance for the implementation of projects and strategies
- Promotion of bilateral and multilateral cooperation projects
- Facilitation of access to funding opportunities for members
- Training and capacity building for elected representatives and municipal staff
- Promotion of knowledge transfer between cities
- Advocacy for the role of local authorities in the Mediterranean region
- Representation of the interests of Mediterranean
   local authorities in international debates
- Participation in the definition of EU programs and policies affecting Mediterranean cities.









## Mediterranean Cities : evolutions and challenges faced

Globalisation: from merchant cities > to industrial cities > to touristic and services cities > technological cities (knowledge based economy)

Demographic evolution: in 2050 > 500 million inhabitants in the Med area > increased needs in housing, energy, waste management and transport

Urbanization and Metropolitisation under process : in 2050, 65-75% living in metropolises > territorial cohesion challenges with national territories and the periphery

## MOBILITY IN MEDITERRANEAN CITIES

- Classic Mediterranean city = 'compact & complex city': mixed land use, pedestrian scale
- Motorization is urban sprawl, segregation of uses, increased distances lack of urban planning and lack of metropolitan solutions increased mobility needs
   lack of public transport is car-dependent lifestyles
   increase of private car use and lack of sharing habits
   (6% rise in new vehicles per year in Tunis 100.000 / 1,9M)
- Touristic destinations: seasonal mobility demand



- Unsustainable means of transport to reach and to move around the city (car, plane, ship)
- Unsustainable freight delivery models

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## MOBILITY IN MEDITERRANEAN CITIES

Even in case of favourable conditions (mild weather, orography):

- Poor use of low carbon transport systems
- Low level of intermodality
- EU MED Cities: SUMP's adoption rate still notably low

Traffic congestion:

- Air and noise pollution
- Fossil fuel consumption
- Health issues (pollution + accidents)
- Socio-economic development impact
- Poor quality of life





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Parking issues: congestion and mobility problems for pedestrians

SMARTCITY and ICT solutions: concrete technological solutions VS huge urban transport problems to be dealt with in South MED cities



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## CHALLENGES AND OPPORTUNITIES

#### Strategic planning

- Mobility as a structural part of Urban Strategic Planning
- Urban Mobility Plans and mitigation actions to reduce CO2
- Urban Mobility Plans linked to the review of Masterplans
- Intermodality

#### Urban planning for pacification of traffic

• Superblocks project in Barcelona: Recover streets, reduce the space occupied by the private traffic, increase the green surface, reduce the pollution and noise, improve the mobility for pedestrians, bicycles and public transport

#### Solutions beyond big scale Infrastructure interventions

- BRT projects
- Tramway
- Urban ferry systems etc..



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Itude de faisabilité d'un Bus à Haut Niveau de Service dans la commune d'Agadir

### CHALLENGES AND OPPORTUNITIES

Low Emission zones: restrict access of most polluting vehicles in urban areas in days of high contamination (progressive implementation...)

Reduce polluting car use by introducing Ecologic Transport cards

Soft mobility: promoting urban and metropolitan bike lane networks

Freight delivery: sustainable last mile delivery projects

Sharing economy: traditional carpooling solutions and new sharing platforms

Electromobility opportunities linked to sharing platforms (electric vehicle sharing platforms etc...)







#### SPECIFIC OBJECTIVE

To increase capacity to use existing low carbon transport systems and multimodal connections among them

#### **RESULT INDICATOR**

Share of urban plans which include low carbon transport and multimodal connection soft actions



#### https://urban-transports.interreg-med.eu/



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**CAMP-sUmp:** CAMPus sustainable University mobility plans in MED areas

**LOCATIONS:** Low Carbon Transport in Cruise Destination Cities

**MOBILITAS:** MOBIlity for nearLy-zero CO2 in medITerranean tourism destinAtionS

**MOTIVATE:** Promoting citizens' active involvement in the development of Sustainable Travel Plans in Med Cities with Seasonal Demand

**REMEDIO:** REgenerating mixed-use MED urban communities congested by traffic through Innovative low carbon mobility solutions

SUMPORT: Sustainable Urban Mobility in MED PORT cities

**EnerNETMob:** Mediterranean Interregional Electromobility Networks for intermodal and inter-urban low carbon transport systems.





GO SUMP Improving Sustainable Urban Mobility Plans & Measures in the Med

LOCATIONS	MOBILITAS	ΜΟΤΙVΑΤΕ	
Operational model for LCTP for	Documents on sustainable	MOTIVATE e-Platform (data	
cruise destination cities	tourism mobility	collection using social media/crowdsourcing/qamificat	
LCTP	Electrical and sharing mobility	ion, evaluation of existing &	
21	solutions (On-demand transport	proposed measures, promotion	
<b>21 modular packages</b> ( <i>easily replicable solutions</i> ) for	services, e-Bus system, e- Scooters, e-Car sharing, e-Bike	of sustainable mobility)	
inclusion in LCTP, SUMPs or	sharing, Charging stations)	PT information system	
SEAPs	IT tools (APPs & software for	Parking control system	
	sustainable means of transport)		
	Sustainable Tourism Mobility		
	Handbook		





	CAMP-sUmp	REMEDIO	SUMPORT	
	Action Plan for SUMPs of Universitary Campuses	<b>Integrated modelling tool</b> for LCT actions evaluation	<b>Sustainable Mobility Plans</b> (at Port, urban and regional levels)	
L	<b>Roadmap</b> for decision makers	<b>Pilot actions</b> ( <i>Mixed traditional</i> and e-Bike sharing, Bike sharing, Bike parking, Bike lanes, 2nd generation Bus	<b>Pilot actions</b> (e-Bike sharing, Bike sharing, Bike lanes, GPS + APPs for Buses, Bus&Bike parking, Maritime PT service,	
	ICT tools model and requirements	<i>lanes)</i>	P&R, Car pooling) e-Learning platform	
		the congested pilot roads/areas		
		Participatory governance model		





#### EnerNETMob

EnerNETMob - Mediterranean Interregional Electromobility Networks for intermodal and interurban low carbon transport systems. The Project promotes sharing mobility and land-sea intermodality using electric transport systems, by implementing interurban and interregional pilot networks of Electric Vehicles Supply Equipment (EVSE) also co-powered by Renewable Energy Sources. By integrating the SUMP and SEAPs models, the "Sustainable Electromobility Plans" will be developed to reach 3 main challenges:

- **To draft, test and improve parallel "Sustainable Electromobility Plans"** according to common standards and low carbon policies
- **To implement pilot small-scale investments on electromobility for interurban and intermodal connections**, in order to overcome medium-trip limitations and to coordinate future investments on electric transport in MED area.
- To set an "Interregional Electromobility Network" crossing cities of all transnational MED area

EnerNETMob is an Integrated Territorial Project and it has a duration of 4 years.



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## **Community Building Events**

- To find synergies among Modular Projects
- 'Peer to peer' updating on activities & results
- Planning together common actions
- To create the sense of Community
- To listen the Modular Projects:
  - Needs
  - Assets
  - Expectations
  - Activity progress

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## **Building the Urban Transports Community**

#### Needs

- Cross information
- Shared work space
- Tools for networking
- **Results management**





#### Assets

- Planned actions
- Experience
- Synergy



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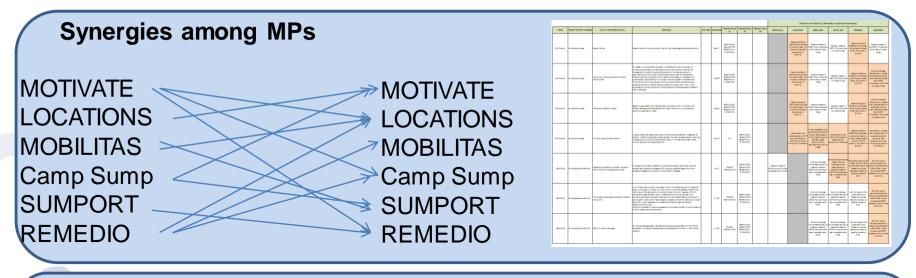
#### **Results**

- General synthesis of MPs
- Deep analysis of synergies
- Identified future shared actions
- Reinforce communication between
- stakeholders
- Creation of thematic communities









#### **Thematic Groups:**

- Tourist destinations
- Specific sub-areas of trip generation
- Low carbon transport
- ICT & Electromobility
- Participatory Planning and Processes

#### **Specific Workshops and Webinars with MPs:**



- Synergies amongst thematic groups, Torres Vedras, 09/2017
- Collaborative economy, Torres Vedras 09/2017
- CO2 calculation, Webinar 04/2018
- Electromobility, Roma 04/2018



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## Building the Urban Transports Community, Rome 04/2018



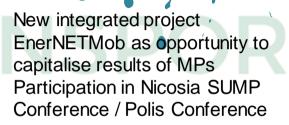
Need to reinforce communitation tools among MPs for activities, results and planning events

Identify key actions and debate among MPs to receive inputs, facilitate transferability

Collaborative

work

Reinforce Webinars and online Meetings among WGs







**Evaluation** 

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Capitalisation



Other Capitalisation opportunities through MedCities

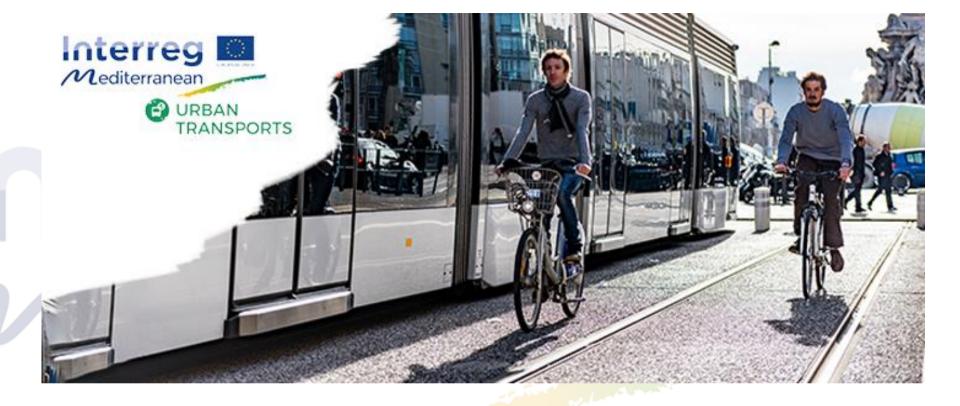
- MedUrbanTools: multi-stakeholder platform managed by MedCities
- Transfer results towards South MED partners : opportunities for partnership



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