# Journeys and destinations ....Managing Mobility in Europe

EU Cohesion Policy 2014 – 2020

Final Conference of PIMMS-Capital INTERREGIVC

### The attraction of mobility ....



Mobility is in our genes

In our poetry ... The road not taken – Robert Browning

In our TV programmes ... Great train journeys with M. Palin ... to Top gear !!!

Address by philosphers ... Life is a journey not a destination – R W **Emerson** 

In our popular culture ... Zen and the art of Motorcycle maintenance .... What is quality?

But now we are challenged to reconcile mass mobility with natural constraints ....

## Structure of the presentation



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# Story 1: EU Urban mobility policy



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#### Where we stand



#### Action Plan on Urban Mobility (2009)

- •2009-2012: Implementation of 20 actions of Action Plan
- •18 June-7 September 2012: Stakeholder Consultation on the implementation of the actions, part of on-going Evaluation Study of the Action Plan ("Review")
- October 2012: Draft final report of Evaluation Study
- November 2012: Technical Stakeholder Conference
- February 2013: Final report of Evaluation Study



#### Where we stand



#### **Transport White Paper 2011**

- Announced several initiatives in the field of urban transport
- Initiative 31: EU framework for Sustainable Urban Mobility Plans
- •Initative 32: EU framework for urban access restriction and road user charging schemes
- Initiative 33: Strategy for CO2-free city logistics



# Moving forward



#### **Commission to:**

- Adopt an Urban Mobility Package in 2013
- Package consists of a Communication and a proposal for EU framework for Urban Mobility Plans (Directive or Guidelines)
- Content of Urban Mobility Plan will cover logistics and access restriction schemes (initiatives 32/33 of White Paper)

In order to prepare the Urban Mobility Package:

- Launch Public Consultation ("Questionnaire")
- Impact Assessment for considered policy options ("Study")



# Focus on Urban Mobility Plans



- Aim is a transformation to clean urban transport and commuting in cities
- Cities need to develop integrated strategies for passenger and freight transport, and Urban Mobility Plans to underpin their implementation
- EU framework would establish common rules and minimum criteria regarding content and methodology of such a plan
- (Potential) Conditionality: link access to structural and cohesion funds to cities and regions with certificated Urban Mobility Plans



#### **Timetable**



- 7 September 2012: Closure of Stakeholder Consultation
- 17 September (-10 December)2012: High level Urban Mobility Conference and launch of Public Consultation
- Autumn 2012: Launch Study to prepare the Impact Assessment
- February 2013: Final report Evaluation Study of Action
  Plan on Urban Mobility and possible follow-up of actions
- Mid 2013: Adoption of Urban Mobility Package



# STORY 2: EU Cohesion Policy ....





## Future objectives



# **Deliver the Europe 2020 strategy objectives** of smart, sustainable and inclusive growth

Focus on results

**Maximise the impact of EU funding** 

### A menu of thematic objectives



- Research & innovation
- Information and communication technologies (ICT)
- Competitiveness of Small and Medium-sized Enterprises (SMEs)
- Shift towards a low-carbon economy
- Climate change adaptation & risk prevention and management
- Environmental protection & resource efficiency 6
- Sustainable transport & removing bottlenecks in key network infrastructures
- Employment & supporting labour mobility
- Social inclusion & combating poverty
- 10. Education, skills & lifelong learning
- 11. Institutional capacity building & efficient public administrations

### Reinforcing effectiveness and performance



#### Focus on results

Common & programme-specific indicators, reporting, monitoring & evaluation

#### Performance framework for all programmes

Clear and measurable milestones and targets

#### Performance reserve

5 % of national allocations (by Member State, fund and category of region)

#### **Ex-ante conditionality**

Ensuring conditions for effective investment are in place

#### **Macro-economic conditionality**

Alignment with new economic governance

### Reinforcing effectiveness and performance



#### Focus on results

- Common indicators:
  - Urban transport passenger trips Increase of passenger trips using supported urban transport service
  - GHG reduction Tonnes of CO<sub>2</sub> Estimated decrease of GHG in CO<sub>2</sub> equivalents
- Programme-specific indicators, reporting, monitoring & evaluation

#### **Ex-ante conditionality**

- Ensuring conditions for effective investment are in place
  - No proposal by Commission for urban mobility ....



#### Thematic Objectives ... Specific openings for mobility measures

- •TO 4: Low carbon economy ...
  - Promoting low carbon strategies in urban areas
- •TO 7: Removing bottlenecks ...
  - developing environment-friendly and low-carbon transport systems and promoting sustainable urban mobility

#### **Community Strategic Guidelines**

- innovative road pricing, user charging systems and traffic management, and in fuelling and charging infrastructure for new carbon-free vehicles for urban transport;
- integrated, sustainable and accessible urban mobility concepts in cities, city-regions and metropolitan areas, leading to reduced GHG emissions, in particular through sustainable urban transport plans, including facilitating use of public transport, cycling and walking;

#### More coherent use of available EU funds



# Common Strategic Framework

# Partnership Contract

# Operational Programmes

- Comprehensive investment strategy: aligned with Europe 2020 objectives
- Coherence with National Reform Programmes
- Coordination: cohesion policy, rural development, maritime & fisheries funds
- Objectives and indicators to measure progress towards Europe 2020 targets
- Effectiveness: introduction of a performance framework
- Efficiency: reinforcement of administrative capacity, cutting red tape

# Story 3: PIMMS Capital



- The culmination of more that 2 years of networking and exchange – built on a core of experience generated through INTERREG C
- Focussing on capitalisation ... putting good practices into action ... "not reinventing the wheel but adapting it"
- Preparing action plans to ensure sustainable mobility, expoliting existing infrastructure by intelligent use of soft measures and innovative solutions
- Preparing for the next programming period ....



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