



EDITORIAL

Dear colleagues,

This week, FLOW hosts a session at the [2017 Polis Conference](#) in Brussels, the platform for cities and regions to discuss transport innovation. In the session on 6 December Dublin City Council will explain how including walking and cycling in transport models changed Dublin's transport investments.

This week also concludes the [FLOW e-learning courses](#). Take advantage before 8 December to connect with peers from cities in France, the Netherlands, Romania to name just a few! Participants can enrol at any time and follow all lessons at their own pace via the internet.

Since we still have your interest three paragraphs in, you might be a good candidate for receiving this newsletter straight into your mailbox. We're happy to send it to you if you sign up via www.h2020-flow.eu. Let's get in dialogue via [twitter](#) or at one of the [upcoming events](#)!

We wish you a pleasant read and sweet surprises from Saint Nicolas!

**We look forward to meeting you at our final events,
Project Coordinator Rupprecht Consult and
POLIS (dissemination)
on behalf of the FLOW consortium**

HOT NEWS

SAVE THE DATE: Final FLOW Conference, 13-14 March 2018, in Brussels



"Decongesting Europe: New approaches to freeing our cities", FLOW & TRACE final event - Brussels, 13-14 March 2018

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It's not too late to join the final FLOW e-course: 13 November-8 December 2017

**Enrol in
e-courses**

The final FLOW e-course kicked off on 13 November and will run for four weeks. Participants can enrol at any time and follow all lessons at their own pace. This e-course will provide more in-depth information on the technical aspects of the project and will put them into a policy context. Participants will gain insight about how decision makers across Europe perceive congestion and will...

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Are you a decision maker? Your thoughts on congestion are needed!



How do decision makers think about and approach congestion reduction in their cities? To find the answer to this question, the FLOW project has launched a survey aimed at decision makers in transport policy from the city, regional, national and European levels.

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Professionals across Europe interested in FLOW results

The Autumn brought us a good step ahead to enable cities, planners and



consultancies to make use of research conducted in FLOW. The biggest events where we shared findings were the CIVITAS Forum in Torres Vedras, Velo-city in Arnhem-Nijmegen and with CIVINET Romania. Coming later this week is the FLOW session at the 2017 Polis Conference.

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How walking and cycling reduce congestion in two minutes: watch the new FLOW video!



The EU CIVITAS FLOW project has released an animated video to illustrate how cities can reduce congestion by investing in walking and cycling.

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How walking and cycling reduce congestion: FLOW Quick Facts published



What happens when you remove a car lane to put in a new bicycle lane? Or you give pedestrians more time to cross a busy road? FLOW published a new collection of Quick Facts from cities who measured the impact pedestrian and cyclist measures have on congestion.

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Download FLOW's "15 Quick Facts for Cities" in 7 languages!
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IN THE SPOTLIGHT

FLOW partner in the spotlight: Walk21



Walk21 is the international charity dedicated to supporting and promoting more walking to help make it an enjoyable part of daily transport, recreation and health. This is done through effective policies, programmes and planning all over the world. We work through our Global Network and International Conference series to engage practitioners, politicians and advocates and foster more...

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FLOW city in the spotlight: Lisbon



They talk the talk, but will they walk the walk? Everybody agrees with sustainable mobility, right? Who wouldn't? But to convert this general agreement into political commitment and capital investment is where the real challenge begins.

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Project in the spotlight EMPOWER



EMPOWER is a pioneering research project exploring various ways to encourage individuals to enjoy alternative travel options by rewarding change away from the use of conventionally-fuelled vehicles. This is achieved by using positive incentives, delivered through social media and digital technologies.

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NEWS BITES FROM THE FLOW CITIES

Dublin: several initiatives to increase cycling



Smart Dublin together with the Environment and Transportation Department in Dublin City Council in a joint initiative with Enterprise Ireland put out a call through the Small Business Innovation Research Challenge (SBIR) program seeking smart, innovative and low cost solutions to increase the number of people cycling in Dublin.

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Munich: Sendlinger Strasse will remain pedestrianised

According to a recent vote of the planning committee of Munich City Council, the pedestrianisation of Sendlinger Strasse in the centre of Munich (FLOW partner city) will become permanent.

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CONGESTION IN THE NEWS

CREATE – Keys to reduce congestion and leapfrogging



Less than six months until the end of the CREATE project (www.create-mobility.eu)! This Horizon 2020 CIVITAS project aims to reduce road congestion in cities by encouraging a switch from cars to sustainable modes of transport, and improve the liveability of cities.

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London's Protected Bike Lanes Move People 5 Times More Efficiently Than Car Lanes



Recent monitoring data shows that central London segregated cycle lanes are moving five times more people per square metre than the main carriageway, with East West Cycle Superhighway seeing a more than 50 per cent increase the total mileage cycled.

Read the original source here: [HTTP://BIT.LY/2J6W2EE](http://bit.ly/2J6W2EE)

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Stuck in traffic: We need a smarter approach to congestion than building more roads



The equation doesn't look pretty. Traffic congestion costs us billions of dollars each year — so we are told — and population growth is not letting up. When road rage meets large economic costs, it's little wonder our politicians are desperate to do something. The trouble is, too often that "something" is a great big new freeway. Building more roads isn't the best answer, because the...

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Auckland's poor pedestrian flows cost \$186m every year



For the first time since the 1950s there are more people commuting to the city centre by public transport, walking and cycling than by driving. Pedestrian congestion is costing Auckland nearly \$200 million each year, a new report says. A business case, which will be presented to Auckland Council later this month, called Investigating the Economic Value of Walking in the Auckland City...

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Study finds the value of time lost by American pedestrians totals \$25 billion annually



The Pedestrian Pain Index (PPI) measures the time that American pedestrians waste waiting for the traffic light to turn green.

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EVENTS

04.12.2017 Upcoming events as of December 2017

6-7 December 2017: Annual Polis Conference
"Innovation in transport for sustainable cities and regions"
Brussels, Belgium

More info on [WWW.POLISNETWORK.EU/2017CONFERENCE](http://www.polisnetwork.eu/2017conference)

13-14 March 2018: FLOW Final conference
Brussels, Belgium

More information on the FLOW Award will be on the FLOW website soon!

16-19 April 2018: Transport Research Arena (TRA)
Vienna, Austria

More info on [HTTP://WWW.TRACNF...](http://www.tracnf...)

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