Boosting Urban Mobility Plans

BUMP

BUMP sought to support local authorities in cities with a population ranging from 40,000 to 350,000 inhabitants in the development of Sustainable Urban Mobility Plans. The project targeted senior public officers within local authorities, providing them with the necessary knowledge and skills to develop their SUMP through an integrated, comprehensive and easily replicable capacity building and coaching package. BUMP specifically supported mutual learning and the sharing of expertise at a national and international level among senior local authority staff involved in the project, their peers from other local authorities and relevant stakeholders. The work programme comprised four main stages:

• definition of the support model and adaptations to national peculiarities;
• training (capacity building, exchange of expertise, mutual learning) activities;
• multidisciplinary assistance to local authorities in the development of their SUMP;
• international promotion of best-achieving local authorities to support replication and capitalization.

Results

• 31 new SUMP during the project’s lifetime (and another 90 by 2020);
• 171 senior officers from 86 local authorities + 2 aggregations of local authorities (overall 14 towns) in the 40-350,000 inhabitants range trained during the projectʼs lifetime (and another 210 trained by 2020);
• 59 new cities joining the CIVITAS Forum or the Endurance Network during the project’s lifetime;
• 6,000 municipalities in the 40-350,000 inhabitants range informed about project activities during the project’s lifetime;
• 39 study visits to BUMP pioneer cities involving 32 local authorities and 7 replicating organizations.

Lesson learned

• There is a keen interest in SUMP. Support for short-term mobility measures is sometimes greater. Therefore, the benefits of developing a SUMP need to be promoted with decision makers.
• Many senior officers need training on novel concepts and approaches involved in the development of a SUMP. Sustainable mobility is still often overlooked in professional education. Its introduction in education and training should be supported.
• Local authorities typically have few resources and welcome tools to analyse and make decision. Assistance is required to access good practice mostly available in English.
• Surprisingly, BUMP managed to create rare opportunities for technical officers to come together and share experiences. EU funded projects are often the only opportunity to participate in events and visit good practice.
• Synergies with existing networks, associations and projects were extremely profitable in order
to recruit beneficiaries, find experts, promote opportunities and disseminate results.

- Political commitment is a crucial prerequisite for a SUMP. It is also very sensitive to timing: being at the beginning, half-way through or towards the end of a mandate will often impact on whether a local authority starts / completes the SUMP process.
- Not many countries currently have national legislation setting clear requirements for the development, approval, implementation and monitoring of SUMPs. Definitive EU-level directions on this in order to access EU funding would be beneficial.

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**Key documents**

- Introduction BUMP [9]
  PPT 674 KB
- The BUMP Supporting Package [10]
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In brief

Sector: Energy-efficient transport

Duration: 07/05/2013 to 06/05/2016

Contract number: IEE/12/672/SI2.644735

Website: http://www.bump-mobility.eu

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