





Interregional cooperation project newsletter

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InnovaSUMP project facilitates
to take-up of Sustainable Urban Mobility
Plans with innovations on travel
behaviour, pricing and financing,
planning for tourism and sustainable
energy, towards low-carbon transport
solutions.

#### **Expected results:**

- Enhancement of SUMP methodology with innovations regarding inclusion of travel behaviour, planning for tourism mobility at destinations, joint SEAP-SUMP approach, integrated pricing and financing framework
- 8 SUMPs in the partner cities enhanced with innovations
- SUMP Guidelines on specific steps, activities and techniques
- Establishment of Linkages and Synergies with relevant national and European networks & platforms (UITP, POLIS, ENDURANCE, CIVITAS, ECF, etc.)
- Increased capacity of Local stakeholders/policy/decision makers on the sustainable mobility solutions and the collective and environmental friendly transport solutions
- Generation of appropriate policies and effective measures that involve the use of and investments in sustainable mobility solutions

#### **Main Activities:**

- 4 Workshops in Prague CZ, Ravena IT, Nicosia CY and Vilnius LT
- 1 Study Visit in Devon UK
- 5 Local Stakeholders Group meetings in all areas of the project
- Local Press Conferences by all partners
- Campaigns during the European Mobility Week in all cities
- Final high-level project event

Main beneficiaries:

public authorities and their stakeholders

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All InnovaSUMP outputs will be available for use by city authorities, transport authorities, development agencies and financial institutions that are involved in urban transport and sustainable mobility decisions and investments. Also to international and pan-European bodies and EU institutions.



## InnovaSUMP Launch in Nicosia

### #innovaSUMP2021



Partners participated in the kick-off, 1st Steering Committee meeting, held in Nicosia, Cyprus, on 19 - 20 April 2017, organised by Lead Partner, Municipality of Nicosia. At this meeting, the work plan was presented, reviewed and discussed, each city authority partner presented their urban region's SUMP which is either already implemented or is going to be developed and implemented in the future, with innovations.

Project Management and Coordination arrangements were presented, discussed and agreed, including reporting procedures, technical coordination aspects, financial management and the communication strategy. The Subsidy Contract signed by the Programme MA and the LP had been sent to all partners. The draft Partnership Agreement previously circulated was presented and discussed and the procedure on amendments/additions for the final version signing was agreed.

All project planned events were properly scheduled with dates and locations. The kick-off meeting was followed by technical visits to Ncosia sustainable mobility schemes, namely minibuses and cycle lanes.

**InnovaSUMP** is an inter-regional cooperation project for improving low-carbon economy policies in the **Interreg Europe Programme**, which helps regional and local governments across Europe to develop and deliver better policy by integrated and sustainable impact for people and place.

#### InnovaSUMP facilitates to:

Take-up of Sustainable Urban Mobility Plans with innovations on travel behaviour, pricing and financing, planning for tourism and sustainable energy, towards low-carbon transport solutions.

During **4.5 years**, the Project Partners will focus on the improvement of regional operational programmes, regional/local strategies & plans in 8 cities, advances in relevant policy implementation.

Main beneficiaries:

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## InnovaSUMP synergies with Horizon2020

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**InnovaSUMP** project has beneficial synergies with Horizon2020 projects and in particular the SUITS Project.

SUITS (Supporting Urban Integrated Transport Systems: Transferable tools for Small- Medium local authorities) is a research project which is funded from EU Horizon 2020 research and innovation programme (http://www.suits-project.eu/).

SUITS aims to increase the capacity of small and medium- sized local authorities to develop and implement sustainable, inclusive, integrated and accessible transport strategies that recognize the end-to-end travel experiences of all users and freight.

SUITS ambition is the transformation of transport planning departments in small and medium cities into change agents by:

- Creating a transferable capacity building system enabling local authorities to develop their own knowledge, skills and competencies at individual, organisational and institutional level
- Providing generic tools to help local authorities generate and understand open and real time data to improve decision making, implementation and monitoring
- Providing a decision support system to guide councils with new funding models
- Providing a means of integrating and analysing urban and passenger freight data.

The SUITS Consortium consists of twenty two partners from eleven EU countries and is coordinated by the Centre for Mobility and Transport of the Coventry University, UK. Nine EU cities are represented in SUITS consortium (Coventry, Torino, Rome, Kalamaria, Valencia, Alba Iulia, Erfurt, Stuttgart and Palanga).

The duration of the project is 4 years (Dec 2016 to Nov 2020).

# InnovaSUMP & SUITS common fields and potential synergies

Lever Development Consultants S.A. is a partner of SUITS consortium and technical coordinator of InnovaSUMP project for Municipality of Nicosia (Lead partner of InnovaSUMP). LEVER leads the development of SUITS Capacity Building Programme which will support decision makers in European cities on the opportunities regarding introduction and financing of sustainable urban transport investments.

At the 1st Interregional Workshop of InnovaSUMP (Prague, June 2017), representatives of LEVER presented the existing opportunities for cooperation and collaboration between the two projects. Specifically, it was made evident that:

- Four (4) out of seven (7) InnovaSUMP cities can be classified as Small or Medium sized cities (i.e. Nicosia, Ravenna, Viseu, Kordelio-Evosmos < 250,000 pop. in their urban center).
- Stakeholder and City workshops are established in the workplans of both projects in order to recognize, assess and validate local authorities' capacity gaps as well as projects' findings and outcomes.
- Both projects deal with:
  - Development of innovative tools, methods, programmes to support greater adoption of SUMPs in European Cities;
  - Capacity Building Tools to explain SUMP methodology and facilitate SUMP implementation in Local Authorities;
  - Development of innovative and sustainable financing, procurement and business innovation tools;
  - Inclusion of travel behaviour patterns into planning of urban mobility investments



The following potential <u>opportunities for synergies</u> were recognized between **InnovaSUMP** and **SUITS** projects:

- Feedback of InnovaSUMP cities' capacity gaps into SUITS Capacity Building Programme
- Enlargement of SUITS and InnovaSUMP stakeholder groups, cities' workshops and pilot applications
- Recognition of common needs regarding data assessment, exploitation and analysis of travelers' behaviour
- Validation of Innovative funding models and data collection tools of InnovaSUMP and SUITS consortium (vice versa)
- Common dissemination activities in major conferences and events (e.g. posters, articles, joint stands/ presentations/ workshops).



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## 1<sup>st</sup> Interregional Workshop in Prague

The 1st Interregional Workshop of InnovaSUMp Project took place in Prague, Czech Republic, on 7-8 June 2017, organised by project partner Prague City Hall.

The particular theme was the inclusion of travel behaviour research and potential user response analyses for new and emerging systems, technologies, policies and measures, in the SUMP process.

Delegates from partner cities Nicosia, Cyprus (lead partner), Prague, Exeter, UK (Devon County Council), Ravenna, Italy, Evosmos-Kordelio (Thessaloniki), Greece and Iasi, Romania, presented their experience and best practices in incorporating travel behaviour in their SUMPs, as improvements to the methodology and policy making.

The Workshop also included presentations by the Advisory partner Aristotle University of Thessaloniki in Greece, the Project Management & Coordination Team, Univesity of Exeter, UK, Prague Institute of Planning and Development, Prague Integrated Transport, and Charles University Environment Centre.

The CIVITAS SUITS project was also be presented with synergies between the two projects.

The Workshop participants discussed in smaller groups the following themes in relation to introducing travel behaviour aspects in SUMPs:

- Infrastructure measures
- Soft measures
- Marketing in transportation
- SUMP for bigger employers
- Citizens education
- Behavioural surveys
- Awareness raising campaigns for sustainable mobility
- Information to the public and use of social media.

The Workshop concluded with study visits to Zličín and Stodůlky traffic terminal and city development around metro stations.





### InnovaSUMP partners

The InnovaSUMP project consists of nine partners from eight EU countries. Leading partner is the Municipality of Nicosia and Aristotle University is the advisory partner.



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