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## e-MOPOLI: What has recently happened in e-MOPOLI?

### 19-20th March 2019 - Third learning workshop, round table and field visit in Stavanger: the past, present and future of electric cars in Norway

Rogaland County Council hosted the meeting where the participants learned about shared electric city bikes, zero emission buses - the experience and way ahead, Stavanger Smart City's e-mobility activities, support arrangement for charging incentives in housing cooperatives and apartment buildings and TrAM – a battery electric passenger ferry project.

The topic of the Round Table was: the Regional Public Transport Strategy, incentives for e-mobility, zero-growth goal in traffic.

A battery bus, from the EU-project Triangulum (Horizon 2020), transported the participants to the BRT (Bus Rapid Transit) system «Bussveien» which is currently under construction. The bus stopped also at Lyse, the local power company, to showcase the charging infrastructure and EV charging in high-density market.



### Workshop with Regional stakeholders in each Partners' country

Starting from the end of 2018, all partners organized a first round of Workshops with regional stakeholders in each region to present e-MOPOLI project and its first activities in the field of alternative fuel mobility. Following the format event provided by the activity leader BSC, Ltd, Kranj, RDA of Gorenjska, partners structured the workshop with a plenary session where local policies, regulations, initiatives and projects were presented and a second session of discussion among participants in order to have some hints and recommendations for the regional policy instruments implementation.

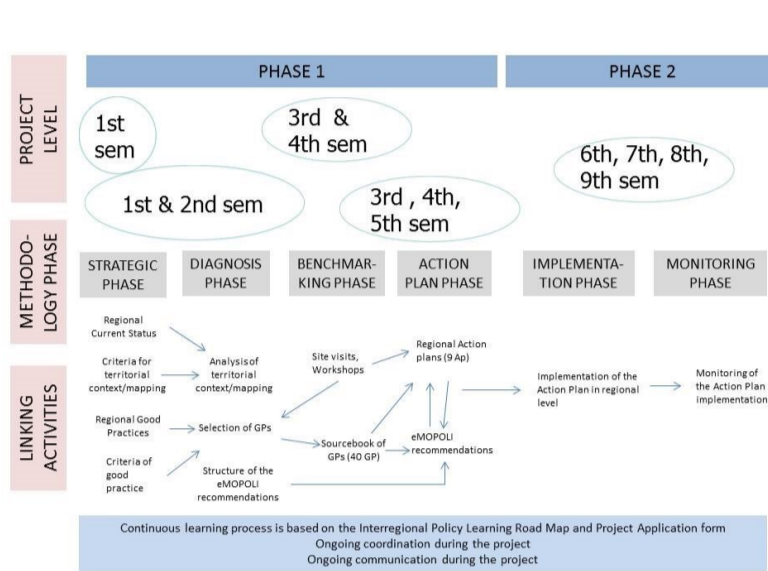
Flemish partners presented the 'Clean Power for Transport' action plan to be implemented through the project; partners from Kainuu region discussed with participants new solutions provided by biogas in the e-mobility sector; partners from Attica Region discussed about the current situation of e-mobility and future scenarios; Norwegian partners presented and discussed measures relative to their Regional Public Transport strategy. Province of Brescia, together with Lombardy Region, presented projects and initiatives more focused on e-mobility and interoperable charging infrastructure; Calabria Region presented to the audience electric mobility strategies and possible scenarios considering the new EU regulation on Air quality. Finally, Bucharest-Ilfov Region presented the e-MOPOLI project as a good opportunity to develop electric and alternative fuel mobility across the Region.



## Technical contents: e-MOPOLI methodology

The Regional Council of Kainuu (Finland), was responsible for drafting the e-MOPOLI methodology. The purpose of this methodology is to describe and structure the implementation approach of the project, including partners' tasks and responsibilities, to support on-going evaluation of the quality and achievements of the project, and to allow, within certain limits, initiation of corrective actions whenever needed.

Based on the Interregional Policy Learning Road Map, the Methodology "needs to give partners in-depth information on how, when and with what results, proofs and quality standard certain activities, deliverables and outputs have to be prepared, what the quality assessment indicators will be, risk management and what the roles of each responsible partner are". It is important that an integrated approach is developed for the recommendations, and this applies also to the Action plan.



The overall e-MOPOLI implementation methodology has to answer 3 questions: WHY, WHAT and HOW? Methodology includes 6 phases: strategic phase, diagnosis, benchmarking, action plan, implementation and monitoring. The Strategic phase is answering to the question "why", while the diagnosis and benchmarking phases answer to the question "what". The Action Plan then gives answer to the question "how". Implementation and monitoring phases, in practice, are partners' regional work with regional stakeholder groups.

Methodology is one of the top-level guidelines for project implementation, but the work and tasks of each partner are pivotal for the progress and results of the project. e-MOPOLI project is lucky to have motivated partners with a central role in the project and driven by the desire to develop their own area, so we're expecting good results!

## Regional analysis



### INTERREGIONAL POLICY LEARNING REGIONAL CONTEXT ANALYSIS

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The University of Brussels, the scientific partner of the department of Environment of Flanders, has been collecting data from the nine partner regions regarding natural, physical and geographical characteristics, demographic, energy, economic and mobility indicators. After collecting the necessary information from each region, a descriptive cross-regional analysis was appropriate to identify those properties that make a region unique and might form an indicator for effectiveness of past or future policy instruments regarding the uptake of electric vehicles. The European benchmark was given every time to situate the regions' performances within a broader context, providing an idea of the average value. The conclusions of the Regional context analysis will create deeper insights upon which policy instruments will or will not work in any of the regions. The Regional context analysis will therefore play a key role in developing the Action plans of every region.

The final draft of the analysis will be presented to the partners during the international partner meeting in Slovenia.

### Interview with Rogaland County Council

#### Can you briefly describe the institution?

The administration of Rogaland County is located in Stavanger, Norway's fourth largest city. Rogaland County Council is responsible for county policies regarding secondary education, cultural affairs, economic development, regional planning and transport (public transport and county roads).

#### What is the role in the e-MOPOLI project of Rogaland County Council?

The Regional Transport Strategy provides guidelines for transport development. Rogaland county council aims to be a resource of knowledge and superseed technological developments within the transport sector. New technologies will be supported if they are in line with the goals of the Regional Public Transport Strategy.



#### With what policy instrument does Flanders manage its ambitions for alternative fuel mobility?

Rogaland was the first county in Norway to put battery electric buses into traffic. The administration is currently working on a new strategy for fossil free sustainable public transport and sustainable mobility.



#### What is the role in the e-MOPOLI project of BSC, Ltd, Kranj, RDA of Gorenjska?

BSC Kranj will set as a main regional priority the establishment of sustainable and functional mobility and initiation of specific policy actions implementing infrastructural and technological innovation for mobility in Gorenjska region. With partners of the project we will exchange good practices and policies from abroad, and regional policies that will help us to plan the future. We will try to prepare an action plan and to set the scene for its implementation (e-MOPOLI payment systems, introduction of electric buses, upgrade of e-charging stations, financial support, business plan...). Their contribution will help us in our interests, the purchase of e-vehicles, the development of infrastructures (through workshops, examples of good practices, study visits).

### Interview with BSC, Ltd, Kranj, RDA of Gorenjska

#### Can you briefly describe the institution?

BSC Kranj (Business Support Centre Kranj) is a regional development agency, with over 20 years of experience in preparing and implementing EU funded projects. We are promoting the development of the Gorenjska region, which includes 18 municipalities, among which BSC Kranj holds a central role in combining local and regional needs with funding opportunities. Since 1995 BSC Kranj has been operating as a link between the regional and national level. We work with municipalities, companies, regional chambers of commerce and business, non-governmental organizations, ministries and other state bodies.

#### With what policy instrument does BSC, Ltd, Kranj, RDA of Gorenjska manage its ambitions for alternative fuel mobility?

BSC is a link between local and national level responsible to influence policies. It is entitled to prepare policy recommendations for national policies for the upgrade of the Operational Programme for Implementation of EU Cohesion Policy in Period 2014-2020. Ministry will "use" the results to promote new project through the OP or to improve the governance of OP through the integration of alternative fuel solutions in different measures of the OP. Ministry signed a letter of support stating that the Ministry of Infrastructure will consider possibilities for implementation of the Action Plan through our policy instrument.



## 4<sup>th</sup> Interregional policy learning activities: 12-13 June, 2019, Bled (Slovenia)



Within e-MOPOLI project (Interreg Europe Programme), co-financed by the European Regional Development Fund (ERDF), Business Support Centre Kranj within the framework of the project activities will organize an international event for the promotion of e-mobility, which will take place on 12<sup>th</sup>-13<sup>th</sup> June in Bled. The event will include the meeting of 9 partners, their stakeholders and other guests invited to the event. Guests from public authorities and economic sectors will include electricity distributors, e-vehicle service providers, research institutions and public transport companies.

The partner meeting on June 13, will be followed by study visits for partners and visitors. In addition, on June 12, a conference will be held as part of the public event, where all interested public administrations, economic services and citizens will be invited.

### Project partners



### Privacy update - General protection Regulation (GDPR)

We are updating our mailing list in accordance with the new data protection regulations which come into force on 25 May 2018 in compliance with the e-MOPOLI website legal notice (LINK LEGAL NOTICE E-MOPOLI). Please note that we have never given our list to anyone, marketing operator or other, and that the data in our possession may contain only name, organization, e-mail address and sometimes also phone number, used only to address updates to you regarding information and news and / or events and invitations. If you want to stay in touch with us and be updated on various initiatives, you do not need to do anything, but if you do not want to receive our information, you can send an e-mail reply simply indicating " NO thanks " in the subject, and your e-mail address will be deleted from our mailing list. We thank you for your understanding and cooperation and we cordially greet you. This publication only reflects the author's views and that the programme authorities are not liable for any use that may be made of the information contained therein.

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