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2050 Climate-friendly Mobility in Cities. Urban mobility and climate mitigation on the long term in the four large Dutch cities

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About the G4





The climate aims of the G4

Long-term reduction aims. Reference is 1990



Amsterdam

- Older aim: 85% by 2040
- Aim since 2018: 95% by 2050

Rotterdam

- Very old aim: 50% by 2025 (double as much as nationally)
- 2015 and 2016: CO2 reduction no priority, but contribution to (inter)national goals will be made.
 EC: -60% by 2050
- Aim since 2018: 49% by 2030 (as national aim)

Long-term reduction aims. Reference is 1990



The Hague

- Very old aim: climate neutral by 2050
- Older aim: climate neutral by 2040
- Aim since 2018: climate neutral by 2030 ("provide contribution")

Utrecht

- Older aim: climate neutral by 2030
- Aim since 2018: climate neutral "as soon as possible"

Much larger reduction rates in the second phase



• Older aims:

- Amsterdam: 2 times more after 2030
- Rotterdam: 5,5 times after 2030
- The Hague: 3,5 times after 2020
- Utrecht: 7 times after 2020

Aims since 2018:

- Amsterdam: Much smaller difference between phases
- The Hague: No differences
- Rotterdam: no long-term aim, but intermediate one implies smaller differences
- The Hague and Amsterdam: based on CO2 budget approach

CO2 reduction aims of the G4 and their changes







The meaning of intermediate reduction aims for the CO2 budget (independent of G4)



Argumentation The Hague



- 2 degrees Celsius requires climate neutrality before 2040
- 1,5 degrees Celsius requires climate neutrality before 2030
- Conclusion based on the following approach:
 - Global CO2 budget is 6-10 times the emission in 2015, say 8 times
 - Factor 8 is also applied for The Hague
 - The approach leads to sharper aims than a distribution of the global budget by means of the population





Measures in the G4

CO2 reduction measures applied the last 20 years (1)



- Commitment to modal shift from car to other mobility
- Expansion of active travel (enlargement pedestrian areas, new bicycle paths and garages) and PT (new PT lines and stations) and multimodal networks (e.g. construction of P+R facilities at strategic locations)
- Upgrading of PT networks (from bus to tram, from high-floor to low-floor trams, from heavy to light rail systems; increasing PT frequencies and the average speeds of ground level PT systems; the restructuring of station complexes and PT stops; the replacement of CO₂-intensive with CO₂-extensive buses
- New PT lines

CO2 reduction measures applied the last 20 years(2)



- Urban densification around regional and (inter)national train stations (e.g. in the project Stedenbaan)
- But also development of peripheral areas (more attached to central city and restructuring former industrial/port areas, less satellites on distance)
- Introduction of car-free or low-emission zones and restrictive urban distribution policy, as well as the extension of restrictive car parking policy, all contributing to modal shift
- Promotion of car sharing, and of sustainable mobility through transport management
- Innovative solutions for urban distribution

CO2 reduction measures common common

- Similar types of measures for new locations and network parts
- Strong focus on growth in OWN municipality and urban infill (selective densification) instead of expansion
- Less priority for parking and moving car in public space
- Environmental zones emerging as mainstream configuration



Amsterdam (2011 and 2013)





Rotterdam (2016)





The Hague (2018)





Utrecht (2016)





Measure packages in studies and policy documents



Successful contribution of cities/regions to CO2-reduction on

the long term

5) Actualise (3) and (4) in the pace of strategic policy cycles

4)

Embedment of (3) in strategic sectoral (mobility, urban development) or intersectoral plans and programmes

3)

(2) plus

defining measure packages to achieve the reduction aims under acceptable conditions (e.g. space saving, affordable)

2)

(1) plus Exploring how much CO2 reduction all current and future reduction measures will provide

 Working hard on the implementation of CO2 reducing measures Framework for CO2 reduction policies

Knowing how to achieve CO2 reduction aims



- Rotterdam: no explorations (e.g. backcasting study)
- Utrecht:
 - exploration of the effects of changing ROAD mobility (2011)
 - No quantitative indications in strategic mobility or spatial plans

Knowing how to achieve CO2 climeter reduction aims. Amsterdam (2011, 1)



Measures	CO ₂ -reduction		Place in following sheet
	kton	%	
Focused on the short term (until 2015) *	200	33	
Car reduction policy]		
 "Differentiation of parking fees", dependent on CO2- 	1		
emissions of cars			Reduction to the "baseline" and
 Encouraging public transport and cycling]		"strategic without electric"
 Bundling and concentrating goods flows]		
 80 kilometres/hour on national roads in Amsterdam 			
 Integrating public transport policy in to spatial planning]		
at new construction locations from the beginning			90% of the kilometres driver
Focused on the medium term (2015-2025) *	215	35	in the built-up area are
 Paying differently for mobility (in collaboration with 			electric in 2040 and 50% on
central government)			the main roads
 Construction of more P+R locations 			
 Use of hybrid buses 			
 Energy optimisation of trans 			
 Freight transport over water 			
Focused on the long term (2025-2040 and beyond) *			
 Carry out hydrogen roadmap for heavy transport 	50	8	
 Bringing international shipping under EU ETS]		
 Transition to electric transport 	150	24	"Strategic with electric"
Total	615	100	

The classification of measures in the short, medium or long term refers to the start of activities rather than the emergence of results and effects.

Source: The table is compiled on the basis of Leguijt et al., 2010, Table 4.

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Knowing how to achieve CO2 Climobility reduction aims. Amsterdam (2011, 2)





Knowing how to achieve CO2 reduction aims. The Hague (2013)

	Type of measure	CO ₂ (kton)	CO ₂ (%)
1	Reduction through (inter)national measures	501	55
2	Reduction through 2 nd generation biofuels (also [inter]national)	77	8
3 = 1+2	TOTAL REDUCTION THROUGH (INTER)NATIONAL MEASURES	578	64
4	HNM * (without support such as road pricing, and until 2020)	24	3
5	Reduction through the HNM en HNM plus (local measures)	62	7
6	Reduction through task setting package (some very uncertain measures have been suggested)	246	27
7 = 4+5+6	TOTAL REDUCTION THROUGH LOCAL MEASURES	332	36
8 - 3+7	TOTAL REDUCTION (result is zero emissions from mobility)	910	100



Knowing how to achieve CO2 reduction aims. Region The Hague (2014)



Measure package in The Hague backcasting update (2018) Between 2015 and 2030:

- Green tenders (8.1 kton)
- Stimulating clean transport use by private individuals and businesses (8 kton)
- Steering modal shift with spatial policy and parking standards and parking fees (11.2 kton)
- Modal shift to bicycle and PT (45.9 kton)
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Measure package in Climobic Interreg Eur The Hague backcasting update (2018)

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Only package varied in the study: climate neutrality requires doubling of rejunevation speed of cars

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Measure package in The Hague after update

 No adoption of backcasting findings in strategic mobility or spatial plans



Conclusions from G4 analysis

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- Climate neutrality for 1,5° warming aim seems to be required by 2030
- Climate neutrality by 2030 seems to be an impossible mission
- But even with climate neutrality in 2050 there remain uncertainties:
 - With which measures to achieve the last 25% of reduction ?
 - How to reduce the rejuvenation time of cars and accelerate share of electric cars ?
 - Is there sufficient modal shift to justify the expansion of environmental zones in the city ?
 - Can strengthening of the compact city sufficiently take place socially inclusive ?
 - How to finance the required investments and operational costs (especially PT) ?

Conclusions from G4 analysis (2) Climobicity

- Amsterdam has started new strategic policy cycle, focussing on 2050 = step 5 of the policy framework
- The Hague currently refuses to carry out step 4 of the policy framework
- Rotterdam and Utrecht still have not published work responding to step 3 of the policy framework
- Study strengthens the ides that working with only good intentions and no orientation is no option





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