

# Action plan for Urban transport and transport planning

## Plan for period 1<sup>st</sup> July 2024 - 30<sup>th</sup> June 2028

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### Terms of reference

A working group will be established to exchange experience in Urban transport and transport planning. The working group should address the following matters:

- a) Mobility strategy (national, regional and local mobility planning)
  - How transport planners may best ensure that the overall political development strategies may be integrated in the planning?
  - Mobility strategies and transport infrastructure plans where mobility is considered in conjunction with business and housing development, the development of supporting societal functions (e.g., hospitals and educational institutions) as well as climate and environmental considerations.
  - Models, processes and tools that can be applied to create strategic mobility, planning tools, forecast models, communication tools, administrative procedures and processes, economic models, etc.
  - Combined transports (road-rail-maritime) and transport hubs, where should these be located in order to create strategic mobility?
- b) Urban transport in small and intermediate size cities
  - What should be emphasized?
  - Good local examples
- c) Sustainable mobility
  - New lines in order to reach the sustainability goals.
  - Development of planning systems so that they are better able to handle requirements for economic, social, climate and environmental sustainability
  - The choice of means of transport, housing area, business areas, destination and travel times, just as various groups of individuals (age, gender, social group, etc.) have qualitative preferences.

Additionally, there is an overarching theme of climate and environment to consider. Coordinators have been appointed to exchange experience and make proposals for follow-up on sustainable development goals.

As a strategic base, the NVF board has also decided to continue work to contribute to the achievement of the UN Global Goals. The goals are described in the chart below.



The working group on Urban transport and transport planning has decided to focus on UN Global Goals no 3 (Good health and well-being) and 11 (Sustainable cities and communities).

### Group of national contacts

The working group has decided to establish a group of national contacts. It aims to support the chairperson and co-chairperson with local knowledge, contacts and seminar organization. They will also be involved to discuss themes, subjects, etc for future seminars.

The national contacts were approved by the members of the working group in a meeting on 2024-10-09.

- Aleks Danmark, Denmark
- Berglind Hallgrimsdottir, Iceland
- Hallbjörn Reynir Hallbjörnsson, Iceland
- Marek Salermo, Finland
- Ann-Helen Hansen, Norway
- Barbara Mikkelsen, Faroe Islands

| <b>2025 deadlines:</b><br><b>Focus areas and Planned Actions: 15<sup>th</sup> October 2024</b><br><b>Reporting and follow-up on the action plan: 1<sup>st</sup> November 2025</b> |   |                                     |
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| Focus Areas   | Planned Actions   | Short Report on the Completed Plans |
| The working group will focus on the pre-defined UN Global Goals, no 3 (Good   | The working group will be arranging two seminars during 2025. |                                     |

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| <p>health and well-being) and no 11 (Sustainable cities and communities). These will be reflected on the objectives a), b) and c) for the working group.</p> <p>For this first year, the working group will be having a wider discussion and broader themes, to be able to introduce and involve all members of the group. The next step is then to narrow down and have more specific discussions on the matters relevant for the group.</p> <p>As requested, the working group will also make sure to prepare 1-2 presentations suitable for the Climate and Environment theme.</p> | <p>The first will be held on Iceland during Spring and the main themes will be:</p> <p>How transport planners may best ensure that the overall political development strategies may be integrated in the planning?</p> <p>Urban transport in small and intermediate size cities<br/>What should be emphasized?<br/>Good local examples</p> <p>We will use the knowledge in the working group but also invite experts on the themes. The host country has wide experience of small/intermediate cities and has also started a process on mobility planning which suits well.</p> <p>The second seminar will be arranged in Norway during autumn. The main theme will be:</p> <p>Mobility strategies and transport infrastructure plans where mobility is considered in conjunction with business and housing development, the development of supporting societal functions (e.g., hospitals and educational institutions) as well as climate and environmental considerations.</p> <p>Freight transport in cities would also be a relevant topic</p> <p>The host country has introduced such things as byvekstvtaler and this aims at UN Global Goal 11.</p> |  |
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|  | <p>As it also involves different transport modes as walking and bicycle we will also address UN Global Goal 3 by highlighting the connections between transport planning and good health.</p> <p>During late autumn 2024 and early Spring 2025 we may also arrange webinars with topics based in the knowledge and experience in the working group.</p> |  |
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