

LEPT e-bulletin – July 2020

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SPOTLIGHT ON

The [Transport Climate Action Directory](#) developed by the International Transport Forum (ITF). This online database was made public in early July and categorises transport CO2 reduction measures. Low carbon fuels, innovation and up-scaling or demand management are amongst the themes.

EU FUNDING & LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES

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Urban Design Summer School – 27 to 29 July 2020

This three-day online summer school led by Urban Design London will look at neighbourhood planning, with focuses on urban, street and housing designs.

European Road Safety Summer School – 24-28 August 2020

The European Road Safety Summer School will be taking place virtually. It will look into integrated approaches to road safety, using best practice examples from across the EU.

Inclusive mobility for an inclusive society: new approaches and solutions. How can transport benefit us all? – 22 September 2020

The European projects INCLUSION and HiReach will be hosting their final virtual conference on 22 September, sharing its insights for a more inclusive mobility system.

Awards

CIVITAS Awards – apply until 2 September 2020

The 2020 CIVITAS Awards have two categories, CIVITAS Legacy and CIVITAS Resilience. The latter will recognise cities that have introduced measures as a response to the Covid-19 pandemic.

Access City Award – apply until 9 September 2020

The Access City Award celebrates a local authority's efforts to become more accessible to guarantee equal access and improve the global quality of life of its population. A special mention looking at the pandemic context will be created.

9th EU SUMP Award – apply until 31 October 2020

The call launched on 15 June with the theme “Zero-emission mobility for all”. This award is designed to highlight local or regional authorities' excellence in sustainable urban mobility planning. The winners of the two previous editions were Brussels (2019) and Greater Manchester (2018).

NEWS

Spanish capital announces incentives for non-polluting vehicles

The Madrid Regional Government has announced a set of measures to [support zero emission mobility](#), such as financial assistance to purchase scooters, bikes, mopeds or electric motorbikes.

London boroughs call on Transport for London and the Mayor to develop a city-wide road pricing scheme

London Council's leaders committee recently endorsed a number of proposals to support a green recovery from Covid-19 including to “[radically reform the focus of the road network in London](#) by working with the mayor and TfL to introduce a London-wide road pricing scheme that can underpin fair contributions by people using our roads, and supporting significant enhancement of strategic interconnection of walking and cycling routes across borough boundaries”.

Consortium of network publishes a database of responses to Covid-19

The [COVID Mobility Works](#) platform collects Covid-19 mobility initiatives and responses from a range of actors (public, private, NGOs). It was launched by a group of non-profit organisations dedicated to sustainable mobility.

London Living Street and Urban Good launch a beta version of Footways platform

Funded by Transport for London and supported by eight central London boroughs, the [Footways](#) platform will officially be launched in September 2020. Footways is a network of quiet streets designed to prompt people to choose walking.

European Commission consults on its Sustainable and Smart Mobility roadmap

Feedback is being collected from 1 July to 29 July by the Commission. The Sustainable and Smart Mobility Strategy is part of the European Green Deal and aims to reduce transport related GHG emissions by 90% by 2050. You can give your views [here](#).

E-scooter trials to begin in the UK

The Department for Transport (DfT) allowed [e-scooter trials in the UK](#) to begin following legislative changes that were introduced on 4 July 2020. The DfT will use the trials to gather evidence on future policies.

WHAT LEPT IS READING

[Covid-19 Recovery: Renewing the transport system](#) – Campaign for Better Transport

This report outlines Campaign for Better Transport's views on how the transport sector can be part of a green Covid-19 recovery.

[Covid-19 SUMP Practitioner Briefing](#) – European Commission

This newly published guide looks into lessons learned from the actions that have been developed by European cities and regions in the past months. A more in-depth guidance document should follow in autumn 2020.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Please note that due to the spread of Covid-19, events are currently being cancelled, rescheduled or held as online only meetings. Some available webinars are outlined above.