

Transportation transformation

Do we have to choose between environment and economy?

12th February 2014 - 14:30 – 19:00
European Parliament, Brussels

A political dialogue – in cooperation with MEP Michael Cramer,
Speaker of the Greens in the Committee on Transport and Tourism (TRAN)



Participation is free – but prior registration is
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(for getting access to the European Parliament)

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14.30	Arrival of participants and registration (For technical information regards entrance to the EP see end of this document)
15.00	<p>“Low carbon transport – lost on the political agenda?”</p> <p>Welcome</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Michael Cramer, MEP, Speaker of the Greens in the Committee on transport and tourism (TRAN) • Christian Byrith, Head of The North Sea Region Programme Secretariat • Dr. Joachim Lohse, Senator for Environment, Construction and Transport, Free Hanseatic City of Bremen
15.30	Where do we go? European and global mobility trends – Prof. Jeff Kenworthy, Curtin University Sustainability Policy Institute (CUSP), Curtin University, Perth, Western Australia and University of Applied Sciences, Frankfurt am Main Germany
16.00	Low carbon mobility - the CARE-North+ project shows ways in practice Michael Glotz-Richter, coordinator CARE-North+ project (low carbon transport strategies for the North Sea Area) / Senior policy advisor - Senate Department for Environment, Construction and Transport, Free Hanseatic City of Bremen – Germany
16.20	<p>Many talks – but not many achievements? What goes wrong on the way to resilient, post-fossil, low carbon cities and regions?</p> <p>Prof. John Whitelegg, Professor of Sustainable Development in the Stockholm Environment Institute, University of York U.K., Professor of Sustainable Transport at Liverpool John Moores University U.K.</p>
16.45	Q+A session
17.00 – 18.00	<p>Panel Discussion – moderated by Wolfgang Teubner, Regional Director ICLEI (Local Governments for Sustainability) Europe, Freiburg, Germany</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Michael Cramer • Dr. Joachim Lohse • Jeff Kenworthy • Christian Byrith • John Whitelegg • Florian Lennert, Director Intelligent City - Innovation Center for Mobility and Societal Change (InnoZ), Berlin
18.00 - 19.00	Networking at the Buffet

Low Carbon Transport – in many speeches and papers it appears as priority – but in the real world we face often other priorities.

There are a lot of challenges for the transport sector – reaching from its dependence on oil, the carbon emission, costs of maintaining large-scale transport infrastructure, congestion etc. Job creation is often in the foreground when calling for more (road) transport infrastructure.

Do we already give up when looking at the impact of transport on climate gas emission? Are there more and other solutions to have job creation within a better environment? Prof. Jeff Kenworthy and Prof John Whitelegg will present results of their international studies. Are sustainable mobility strategies a barrier for economic development or maybe rather a prerequisite?

The EU funded Interreg North Sea project CARE-North-plus (“Low carbon transport strategies for the North Sea Area”) wants to share some provocative thoughts and fertilize a political debate on mobility and transport of the future.

About the speakers

Jeff Kenworthy is Professor in Sustainable Cities in the Curtin University Sustainability Policy Institute (CUSP) at Curtin University in Perth and Guest Professor at University of Applied Sciences, Frankfurt am Main. He has over 30 years experience in urban transport and land use policy with over 200 publications in the field and has lectured in 25 countries and 70 cities throughout the world. He is particularly noted for his international comparisons of cities around the theme of reducing automobile dependence. His most recent research involves updating of urban transport data in some 50 cities around the world, examining the prospects for electro-mobility in Germany.



John Whitelegg is Professor of Sustainable Development in the Stockholm Environment Institute, University of York (UK). He is also a Visiting Professor of Sustainable Transport at Liverpool John Moores University (UK) and editor of the journal "World Transport Policy and Practice". He has worked extensively on all forms of transport including 3 years with ILS in Dortmund, sustainable urbanisation in Beijing, a transport strategy for Kolkata (Calcutta) in India and sustainable transport projects with the state governments of Queensland, Western Australia and Victoria in Australia. Recent projects have included a zero carbon transport strategy for Britain for the year 2050.

Wolfgang Teubner is the Regional Director of the ICLEI European Secretariat, internationally-recognized expert on sustainable urban development issues and a dedicated cyclist. He leads ICLEI's activities in the field of mobility and, after 20 years of working on local sustainability issues, is a critical friend every city can wish for.



Dr Joachim Lohse is Senator for Environment, Construction and Transport of the Free Hanseatic City of Bremen – the political representative for the urban development, mobility strategies, energy affairs and environmental protection. In his profession career, he was founding partner– Institute for Environmental Strategies GmbH (Ökopol) – 1989 - 2003, Hamburg. 2003 – 2006, Dr Joachim Lohse was Head of the Management Board of Öko-Institut e.V. – Institute for Applied Ecology in Freiburg. 2010 he was elected as full-time city councillor of the city of Kassel, Head of Department for Transport, Environment, Urban Development and Construction of the city of Kassel. In June 2011 he was elected as Senator in Bremen.

Florian Lennert is Director of the Intelligent City Forum at the Innovation Centre for Mobility (InnoZ) in Berlin. He is also an Associate Director of LSE Enterprise at the London School of Economics and Political Science (LSE). Intelligent City focuses on sustainable urban infrastructure innovation, and operates a living lab for green mobility, urban renewable energy systems and future city design in collaboration with partners from industry, government and science. Core partners include WZB (German Social Science Center), DLR (German Aerospace Center), EIT, LSE, Siemens, Schneider Electric, Deutsche Bahn, Bombardier and T-Systems.



Michael Glotz-Richter is project coordinator of the European North Sea Interreg project CARE-North. He is Senior Project Manager for Sustainable Mobility for the German city-state of Bremen in the Senate Department for Environment, Construction and Transport. Michael holds a diploma in Urban and Regional Planning from the Technical University in Berlin (1984). In his professional career, Michael has always worked on the link between urban development, transport strategies and urban lifestyle. Having worked in Berlin and Cologne, he started at the City of Bremen in 1990. Since 1994 he has been responsible for sustainable mobility and for many internationally recognised model projects on sustainable transport and environmentally-friendly mobility.

Christian Byrith is Head of Secretariat of the European North Sea Region Programme. He has been involved with the European Structural Funds programmes in management positions for the past 15 years. He has extensive experience with managing territorial cooperation programmes. Prior to his involvement on programme level, he has been working as project developer/manager and has hands-on experience in project management. Christian Byrith has a strong background in finance.



About the host



Michael Cramer was born on June 16, 1949 in Gevelsberg (Germany). Between 1989 and 2004 he was a member of the Berlin House of Representatives and the spokesperson for transport policy of the Green Party. In July 2004 Michael Cramer was elected to the European Parliament as an MEP, where he continues his previous work on sustainable mobility in the Committee on Transport and Tourism (TRAN) and serves as the TRAN coordinator for the Greens/EFA group. Michael's aim is to make transport in the European Union more sustainable, fair and accessible for everyone. He is convinced that without changing our mobility we will not be able to stop climate change.

Partners

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Practical information

- Participation is free
- **You need to register for this event: <http://www.care-north.eu/content/registration-form-transportation-transformation-2014>**
- Please come 30 min [14:30] before the start of the event
- Please have your chosen ID with you.
- Badges will be distributed at the reception desk of the conference.
- Participants with an European Parliament ID have to register via email care-north@umwelt.bremen.de

The reception area for this meeting is located in the entrance zone of the European Parliament's Altiero Spinelli (ASP) building, Place du Luxembourg, Espace Simone Veil entrance on the Esplanade de la Solidarité.

Room: A5 E2

How to reach the venue:

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Buses 27 and 38 run from the city centre to Place Luxembourg

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Lines 2 and 6 to Trône (7 minute-walk to Parliament).

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