



## CALL FOR APPLICATIONS

### BACKGROUND

Each year, the European Commission presents the European Award for Sustainable Urban Mobility Planning (SUMP) to a planning authority that demonstrates excellence in the field. The award encourages the adoption of Sustainable Urban Mobility Plans (SUMPs) by local authorities across Europe, and rewards outstanding planning achievements under each year's thematic priority area. This is a special year for the award, as it celebrates its 10th anniversary.

The SUMP Award is guided by the European Commission's [SUMP 2.0 Guidelines](#), and is directed exclusively at local and regional public authorities. The guidelines define a Sustainable Urban Mobility Plan as a 'strategic plan designed to satisfy the mobility needs of people and businesses in cities and their surroundings for a better quality of life. It builds on existing planning practices and takes due consideration of integration, participation, and evaluation principles'. The topic of this year's award is closely related to the [SUMP Guide on Linking Transport and Health](#).

The SUMP Award is presented alongside the EUROPEANMOBILITYWEEK, and EU Urban Road Safety awards. Although complimentary in nature, each award has separate objectives. The EUROPEANMOBILITYWEEK awards are given to towns and cities for their outstanding promotion of sustainable urban mobility during EUROPEANMOBILITYWEEK (16-22 September). The EU Urban Road Safety Award honours local authorities for implementing measures, in the spirit of the internationally recognised 'Safe System' concept, to improve road safety. While the SUMP Award recognises local and regional authorities for excellence in sustainable urban mobility planning.

### Theme

The theme of this year's edition, which is also shared with the EUROPEANMOBILITYWEEK Awards, is "**Safe and Healthy with Sustainable Mobility**".

Over the past year, more awareness has been given to the need to ensure that cities and urban planners secure the health and safety of their citizens when traveling in urban areas. Planning for safer and healthier cities, where measures are interlinked to achieve the objectives of road safety, physical, and mental health are and will be crucial in the coming years. Another important challenge is to improve public transport services, while restoring citizens' confidence in the service – offering a safe and sustainable alternative to move around.

At the same time, innovation in transport is continuous and new mobility solutions are appearing on the market and in our cities. Linking these new mobility services (shared electric scooters, bike-sharing schemes) with the overall planning mechanism of SUMPs is indispensable in creating an integrated, multimodal, and sustainable local mobility plan which ensures the health and safety of citizens.

More information about the theme of this year's award is available in the [EUROPEANMOBILITYWEEK 2021 Thematic Guidelines](#).

## ELIGIBILITY

Applicants are not required to have completed the entire process of developing and implementing a Sustainable Urban Mobility Plan in order to be eligible for the award.

The competition is open to local authorities from the European Union, EU Candidate Countries, Potential EU Candidate Countries that are part of the Stabilisation and Association Process (SAP), European Economic Area (EEA), European Free Trade Area countries (EFTA), or the Eastern Partnership (EaP).

Applications are open to local public authorities that have legal competence in developing and implementing a Sustainable Urban Mobility Plan on their territory.

The contact person for each application must be a representative of a public authority. Consultancies and transport operators are not eligible. In case of doubt, applicants will be contacted to provide proof of their legal status as a local or regional public authority.

The 9<sup>th</sup> SUMP award winner is not eligible to apply for this year's edition of the award.

## EVALUATION CRITERIA

Following an eligibility check, all submissions will be reviewed by an expert jury. The jury will examine submissions in relation to the following criteria:

1. **Road safety targets** to reach the objectives of "[Vision zero](#)". How the applicant interlinks road safety and health objectives in its SUMP.
2. The city has a consistent and realistic strategy to **improve the physical and mental health of the population**.
3. The **city integrated the health sector** (or other sectors) to achieve a common strategy for public health improvement and health care provision.
4. The city acts to **improve public transportation** whilst restoring confidence in the service.
5. Good practices **to link new mobility services** to the overall objectives of the SUMP.



## SCORING LEGEND

For each criterion, a maximum of 5 points can be achieved:

0 points	Does not meet requirements at all
1 point	Barely meets requirements
2 points	Almost meets requirements
3 points	Meets requirements
4 points	Meets requirements with excellence
5 points	Meets requirements with excellence and even exceeds them

The average score will be calculated for each criterion based on each jury member's evaluation. Based on the sum of all criteria, the jury will agree on the top three finalists, and the winner will be chosen from these.

## DEADLINES

Deadline for towns and cities to send their applications	15/06/2021 - 31/10/2021
European Secretariat checks eligibility	31/10/2021 - 15/11/2021
Jury members receive applications via online system	15/11/2021
Each jury member scores the applications allocated	15/11/2021 - 7/12/2021
Jury meeting with DG MOVE in Brussels	XX/12/2021
Finalists are contacted to communicate their nomination	XX/12/2021 - XX/01/2022
Press release announcing the name of the finalists to the public	XX/02/2022 or XX/03/2022
Award Ceremony	XX/03/2022 or XX/04/2022

## JURY MEETING

The jury consists of three European experts in the field of Sustainable Urban Mobility Plans, Health & Transport and Road Safety, and is chaired by a representative from the European Commission's Directorate-General for Mobility and Transport.

## ONLINE SUBMISSION

Applicants must complete the online application form at <https://sump-award.mobilityweek.eu/>

The application should be submitted in English. Applicants are invited to answer all questions with clear and relevant information about their measure(s).

Applicants are encouraged to upload a selection of documents and images to illustrate their measure(s).

The application form can be accessed and edited as many times as the applicant wishes until **31 October 2021 at 24:00 (CET)**.



## AWARD CEREMONY

The Award Ceremony\* will take place in Brussels in March or April 2022, where only then will the winner be revealed. Only the finalists will receive official notification by January 2022.

Political or high-level representatives of the three finalists will be invited to attend the Award Ceremony, where the winner will receive a trophy from the European Commissioner for Transport.

The winner and the two finalists will benefit from European visibility, including coverage in future SUMP Guidelines, through EU social media channels, and on the ELTIS portal, and speaking and presentation opportunities at relevant events.

We reserve the right to publish award applications as examples of excellence on the European Commission's website.

*\*The award ceremony may take place as an online, or hybrid event. Details will be revealed closer to the time, and the nature of the event will be dependent upon health and safety measures in place at that time.*

## CONTACT

In case of any questions about the SUMP Award, please contact: [sumpaward@mobilityweek.eu](mailto:sumpaward@mobilityweek.eu)

## EVALUATION CRITERIA

The 10<sup>th</sup> **SUMP** Award rewards local authorities that show excellence in sustainable urban mobility planning regarding developing strategies to build a safer mobility system which promotes a physically and mentally healthier life for its users.

Criteria	Max points	Question
Background and policy objectives	-	Please describe the main challenges your town/city is facing in relation to urban transport, the history of your local transport policy, and its objectives.
SUMP preparation and implementation	-	Your city is currently working on its: - 1 <sup>st</sup> SUMP - 2 <sup>nd</sup> (or more) SUMP  Which phase of the SUMP process is your city in? - Preparation phase - Adoption phase - Implementation phase - Monitoring phase

		Please describe your SUMP targets, which phase the plan is in (preparation, goal setting, elaboration, implementation), and what the expected results of the plan are. In case of a 2 <sup>nd</sup> SUMP, please always include indicators to measure all stated strategies e.g., development in road safety, indicators connected to people's health and safety.
Executive summary: Excellence	-	Please, describe why your town/city is an outstanding example for targeting improvement in road and transport safety and creating healthier choices for the users in its Sustainable Urban Mobility Planning. Please, mention key field(s), approach(es) or measure(s) that make your town/city particularly successful in reaching these goals. <i>You can further elaborate on each point in the subsequent corresponding question.</i>
<b>Road safety targets</b> to reach the objectives of the "Vision zero". The city interlinks road safety and health objectives with each other in its SUMP.	5	Q1. Please describe how the objectives of your SUMP will result an improved road and transport safety, reaching "vision zero" reducing road deaths to almost zero by 2050. Does your SUMP set out measure(s) to interlink for achieving the objectives for road safety and health of the population? If so, please describe how measure(s) work to the benefit of both and how they avoid possible conflicting effects with other objectives and measures or your SUMP. If results are at hand, please describe these.
The city has a consistent and realistic strategy to <b>improve physical and mental health of the population</b>	5	Q2. Does your SUMP include a strategy or plan to improve physical and mental health of the population through mobility measures? If so, please describe your objectives and give example(s) of the most important measure(s) to achieve this goal as well as results if implemented (incl. for example infrastructure, campaigns, developments to boost the usage of actives modes, expanding green areas, improving air quality etc.)
The city integrated the health sector (or other sectors) to achieve a <b>common strategy for public health improvement</b> and health care provision	5	QY. Does your SUMP include cooperation with the public health sector and health service providers to maximise a) positive effect of mobility on public health and b) the accessibility of health services to the population? If so, please describe how your cooperation is set up and how it impacts or impacted your SUMP process and delivery.
The city takes action to improve <b>public transportation</b> whilst restoring confidence in the service.	5	Q4. Does your SUMP include or refer to a strategy or plan to improve the modal share of public transportation and the overall quality of the service? (e.g., improving the network and intermodality with other modes) If so, please describe your objectives and give example(s) of the most important measure(s) to achieve the goals. Please share results (if applicable).
Good practices to link <b>new mobility services</b> to the overall objectives of the SUMP.	5	Q5. Does your SUMP include a strategy or plan to systematically integrate and regulate new emerging mobility services in the mobility system? Please introduce short- and long-term measures and results (if applicable).



