

EUROPEAN ENVIRONMENT AND HEALTH PROCESS



Leveraging THE PEP Partnerships to accelerate the transition to healthy, sustainable and climate neutral mobility in the pan-European region

> Parallel session at the Seventh Ministerial Conference on Environment and Health

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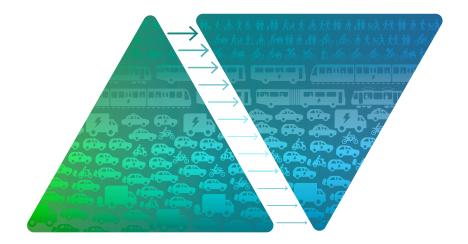


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What can countries achieve when they work together? What are the health benefits of e-biking?

These are just two of the questions that will be answered during this event!

Active mobility can prevent noncommunicable diseases, which account for more than 70% of all deaths in the pan-European region. Evidence shows that shifting short car trips (accounting for 40% of emissions) to active mobility can significantly reduce greenhouse gas emissions and promote everyday physical activity.

This session, organized under the Transport, Health and Environment Pan-European Programme (THE PEP), will demonstrate why and how to promote sustainable and healthy mobility at national and local levels.

A new e-biking functionality of the Health Economic Assessment Tool (HEAT) for walking and cycling will be launched, with a practical demonstration of how the tool can be used to assess the impacts of e-biking in terms of physical activity benefits, risks from air pollution exposure and crush risk, as well as effects on carbon emissions.

The session will emphasize the importance of safety issues as the main precondition for promoting active mobility and showcase how THE PEP Partnerships on Active Mobility and on Child and Youth-friendly Mobility can help accelerate the transition to healthy, clean and sustainable mobility in the pan-European region

Lead organizers

Federal Ministry for Climate Action, Environment, Energy, Mobility, Innovation and Technology of Austria United Nations Economic Commission for Europe (UNECE) WHO European Centre for Environment and Health (ECEH)



Programme

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Welcome and introduction

Robert Thaler, Head of Division Active Mobility and Mobility Management, Federal Ministry for Climate Action, Environment, Energy, Mobility, Innovation and Technology of Austria, THE PEP Bureau

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THE PEP for healthy and sustainable mobility

Sandra Dokic, State Secretary, Ministry of Environmental Protection of Serbia

Launching of a new module on e-biking under the Health Economic Assessment Tool (HEAT) for walking and cycling

Prof. Sonja Kahlmeier, Swiss Distance University of Applied Science (FFHS), Switzerland & HEAT Coordinating Team

Achievements of THE PEP Partnership on Active mobility

Robert Thaler, Head of Division Active Mobility and Mobility Management, Federal Ministry for Climate Action, Environment, Energy, Mobility, Innovation and Technology of Austria, THE PEP Bureau

Road safety as a critical prerequisite for promoting active mobility

Jonathon Passmore, Programme Manager – Road Safety, Injury & Violence Prevention, WHO European Centre for Environment and Health (WHO ECEH)

Achievements of THE PEP Partnership on Child- and Youth-friendly Mobility

Petra Völkl, Federal Ministry for Climate Action, Environment, Energy, Mobility, Innovation and Technology of Austria

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Questions and answers

Closure

