









TRANSPORT AND MOBILITY STRATEGY FOR THE CONURBATION OF BETHLEHEM

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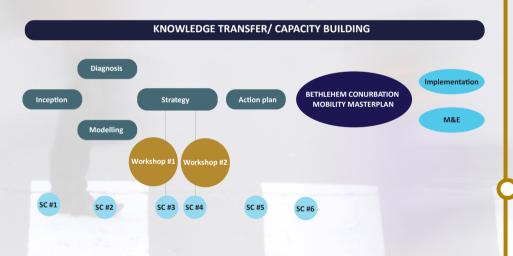
Bethlehem Municipality, supported by the Mairie de Paris and the French Development Agency, has launched the elaboration of its first Transport and Mobility Strategy for the Conurbation of Bethlehem.

The Transport and Mobility Plan aims to:

- » Respond to basic transportation needs of people and goods, provide affordable, inclusive and equal access to transportation means for all people, regardless of their race, gender, background, etc. the social dimension;
- » Reduce and limit air polluting emissions and waste, minimise noise and impact on land use the environmental dimension;
- » Propose affordable and efficient transport options the economic dimension;
- » Be driven by a participatory and co-creative process, including all relevant stakeholders the participation dimension.

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For the coming 12 months, a team of local and international experts, together with representatives of local and national authorities, businesses and the citizens of Bethlehem will work together through a co-creative and inclusive process on building a more accessible, sustainable and liveable Bethlehem conurbation.



road network /// public transport /// walking /// parking /// freight /// road safety /// traffic demand management accessibility /// liveability /// sustainability /// economic potential /// healthy city

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Due to road capacity and quality problems and a rapid growth of car ownership, Bethlehem has been facing various transport and mobility related challenges, such as: congestion, limited accessibility, noise and air pollution, decreased traffic safety and in general, a deterioration of the quality of life of Bethlehem's inhabitants. In order to address these challenges, the Transport and Mobility Strategy for the Conurbation of Bethlehem will have the following objectives:

- » To quantify and define the locations and conditions for travel in the conurbation of Bethlehem – understand local conditions;
- » To promote sustainable urban mobility by reducing reliance on the private car, encouraging the development of the use of public transport and offering a high quality and safe public space for pedestrian routes through a better share of urban spaces – encourage multimodality;
- » To satisfy transport requirements in the best possible economic, environmental and social conditions – promote sustainability;
- » To create an efficient urban structure and promote the potential for economic development, in particular by linking mobility services with the tourism offer – support integrated planning;
- » To protect public health and quality of life for the population by reducing polluting emissions improve liveability;
- » To strengthen inter-municipal cooperation and build a shared vision and strategy - improve institutional organisation and capacity building.

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The study area of the Transport and Mobility Strategy for the Bethlehem Conurbation covers the cities of Bethlehem, Beit Jala and Beit Sahour, the villages of Al Doha, Artas and Al Khader, and the three refugee camps.

