

Need for new knowledge!
- Public transport and land use

Nordic seminar
Helsinki, 17-18/3 2009



Climate change, growing congestion and environmental side effects call for short and long term solutions to sustain mobility without compromising the visions for liveable and sustainable cities. The combination of public transport and land use is by no means a new tool, nor a new concept to ensure sustainable transport opportunities for growing cities. But both on the knowledge side and on the practical use, a push forward is needed.

The seminar is targeted to bridge current knowledge and visions of sustainable cities. The participants, local politicians, practitioners and researchers will play the main role in identifying areas where new knowledge is needed, and thus: potential research areas and topics for future Nordic research initiatives in the field of public transport and land use. The seminar will outline the present knowledge level and provide a common platform to develop future initiatives through an open space approach facilitating direct interaction between participants.

The seminar is planned by a panel of Nordic experts on public transport and land use, including both practitioners and researchers. The conference language will be English.

Target groups

Public transport sector: National organizations and PT providers

Professionals: Land use planners and public transport planners.

Local governments and National agencies/ministries involved in land use planning and public transport provision

Researchers in the fields of: Public transport planning, urban planning, environmental analysis

> **Tuesday March the 17th, 2009**

- 12.00 Registration and a light lunch
- 13.00 **Welcome to the seminar**
- 13.30 **Institutional overview: Public transport and land use planning in the Nordic countries:**
Ole Damgaard, Nordregio
- 14.15 **Planning visions for sustainable cities**
Sustainable regional structure for five provinces in southern Finland
Riitta Murto-Laitinen, Uusimaa Regional Council
Practises in the Øresund region
(to be announced)
- 15.15 Break
- 15.45 **State of the art**
Empirical evidence: How public transport, local land use planning, and design factors affect mode choice and public transport use
Petter Næss, TÖI and AAU
Before-after studies of land use related effects of public transport development
Gustav Nielsen, TÖI
Transport models that can asses effects of land use policies and public transport provision
Lars Berglund, WSP Analys & Strategi
- 17.15 **Development of research topics to be explored on day 2 (Open Space)**
- 19.00 **Dinner**

> **Wednesday the 18th March, 2009**

- 9.00 **Wake up**
Speaker to be announced
- 9.30 **Development of topics: Knowledge and know-how**
Open Space method
- 12.30 Lunch
- 13.30 **Main conclusions:**
Need for knowledge and knowhow
Sum-up from the mornings Open Space
- 15.30 **How to proceed from here**
- 16.00 **End of seminar**

> **Open Space Method**

The method is designed to develop concrete research ideas, by building on the knowledge of the participants. Participants are invited to state their main topics of interest and to register possible contributions in the form of a short statement, a brief project idea or by announcing a topic at day 1.

Pre-prepared project ideas can be send to ae@tetraplan.dk. They will then be distributed to the participants beforehand.

> **Technical visit**

The possibilities of technical visits to relevant projects in Helsinki are beeing explored. The technical visits will take place on the morning of the first day.
More information to come

Registration >>>

Conference fee is 50 Euro, and covers the conference, lunches and dinner

The participants must cover own travel and accommodation cost

Hotels: At registration a number of Hotel options will be provided

Please register by e-mail to Secretariat af NTF
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Deadline for registration is the 13th of February 2008

Practicalities >>>

Venue

Helsinki Congress Paasitorni
Paasivuorenkatu 5 A,
00530 Helsinki
FINLAND

How to get there

From the airport: Bus 615 takes you to the door. Travel time of 20 min, departure every 15. min

From the main train station: The congress center is within walking distance

From the city center: Several busses, trams and the Metro (Stop: Hakaniementori /Hakaniemi Market Square)

Or use:

<http://aikataulut.ytv.fi/reittiopas/fi/>
(also english/swedish options)



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