

Transport Poverty with a Focus on Rural Mobility

Webinar Agenda

16 January 2025, online, 12:00 – 14:00

11:45 – 12:00	Meeting Registration
12:00 – 12:10	Introduction to the topic of the webinar Magdalena Makar, ODRAZ / CIVINET Slo-Cro-SEE
12:10 – 12:25	Tackling the hidden aspects of mobility poverty – Analysing Accessibility Challenges in Rural Areas Dragoş Hriţuleac, Zsófi Ghira, Mobilissimus, Romania
12:25 – 12:40	Overview of passenger public transport in rural Croatia Vladimir Halgota, Croatia
12:40 – 12:55	Challenges and possibilities in addressing transport poverty in Croatia Petra Grgasović, REGEA, Croatia
12:55 – 13:10	RuralMED Mobility – development of EV charging stations in areas out of commercial interest Zvonimir Perko, REA Sjever, Croatia
13:10 – 14:00	Panel discussion <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Pedro Homem de Gouveia, POLIS Network ○ Dragoş Hriţuleac, Zsófi Ghira, Mobilissimus ○ Petra Grgasović, REGEA ○ Zvonimir Perko, REA Sjever Moderator: Magdalena Makar, ODRAZ / CIVINET Slo-Cro-SEE

Presenters and panelists



Dragoș Hrițuleac is working in the field of mobility and active travel, with a keen interest in providing equitable transport options for everyone. **Zsofia Ghira** has a strong understanding of participatory decision-making in the same field, providing liveable spaces and mobility solutions centred on the users' needs. In their roles, they approached the mobility poverty subject from a public transport accessibility angle, gathering evidence of the current status in case study settlements in Hungary and Romania, and attempted to develop a tool to provide a set of baseline improvement measures for areas affected by mobility poverty.



Vladimir Halgota is an independent researcher with a background in sociology and sustainable mobility studies most interested in traffic, urbanism and environmental issues. Initial focus on cycling advocacy expanded into understanding the interaction of all modes of sustainable modalities of transport as part of the solution to forced car ownership and dependency with all the issues they generate. One of the pioneers of transport poverty research in Croatia.



Petra Grgasović is a Master of Architecture and Urban Planning and a University Specialist in Environmental Engineering with over 15 years of experience spanning both public and private sectors. She has extensive expertise in the preparation and implementation of projects focused on sustainable urban mobility. Additionally, she is actively involved as a facilitator and lecturer in knowledge exchange and capacity-building programs across Europe.



Zvonimir Perko, a master of electrical engineering and a university specialist in the economics of the energy sector (MBA), is employed as a senior project manager in the Regional Energy Agency North from Koprivnica. It participates in the preparation and implementation of projects in the fields of energy efficiency, renewable energy sources, energy planning and sustainable mobility.



Pedro Homem de Gouveia is Senior Policy and Project Manager at POLIS Network where he coordinates the Working Groups for Governance & Integration, and for Road Safety & Security. He's an architect with extensive experience in Urban Governance, Public Participation, Strategic Planning, Universal Design, Public Space, Pedestrian Accessibility, Street Safety, and inquiry for design (surveys, focus groups, structured observation, user testing). Worked for more than 20 years at the local level, as a strategist, designer, trainer, consultant, and political advisor.

