





Wrap up & Conclusions: "The electric depot. Chargign & managing large e-bus fleets".

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Key messages

- 1. Strong will and leadership of cities through decarbonisation strategies and zero-emissions public bus fleets by 2025-2030
 - Some cities have more ambitious targets than the ones set by the current policy framework (CVD).
 - Drivers are climate protection, improved air quality, and reduced noise levels and vibrations.
- 2. System approach vs vehicle approach and key elements for successful fleet upscale:
 - Standardisation and interoperability of high power fast charging (up to 600 kW)
 - IT tools for optimised fleet operation and its integration into the system
 - Telematic diagnosis, scheduling and dispatching, eco-driving, real-time passenger information, etc.
 - Smart charging strategies and energy storage systems
 - Considerable savings potential on energy bill by applying smart charging algorithms.
 - Depot upgrade involves increased energy needs and power capacity; assessment of new depot location and access to grid.
 - V2G charging (nascent in public bus fleet sector)



Key messages

3. Bus electrification requires strong cooperation among all stakeholders

 Today's program lined up key players in the field: operators, bus/charger OEMs, IT solutions companies, energy utilities, etc.

4. Challenges faced by operators amidst current pandemic

- Reduced ridership and revenues vs plans for fleet renewal.
 - CAPEX investment for clean bus and depot upgrade is high
 - UITP Bus Fleet Renewal Checklist
- Find suitable business models based on fair risk sharing and solid cooperation PTA/PTO to minimise technological risk and financial impact on operators' side
 - UITP Tenders Structure Document

5. Need of engaging staff and end user/passengers with e-bus technology to revamp the image of the urban bus

- Excellent opportunity with the intro of e-powertrains (innovation, comfort, environmental friendliness).
- Gain back passengers' trust on PT in the post-pandemic period.



Key messages



6. R&I projects, like ASSURED (<u>www.assured-project.eu</u>), key to advance the sector through innovation and collaboration among industry-operators-academia.

ASSURED has successfully delivered a set of standards and use case protocols for e-bus charging that enable to verify interoperability

- Key to ensure fleet upscale and flexibility of operation
- ASSURED 1.0 Interoperability Reference: <u>https://assured-project.eu/news-and-events/news/assured-project-brings-standardisation-of-e-bus-charging-one-step-closer</u>

7. Inititiaves like the EC's Clean Bus Europe Platform, which is bringing together all players of clean bus deployment to exchange knowledge & expertise on clean bus techs among EU MSs.







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The Platform as enabler of large scale deployment

- EC's project in the frame of Clean Bus Deployment Initiative, managed by UITP and its Partners.
- The Platform is made of Cities, PTAs, PTOs, industry, funding & financing entities, associations, and more related to clean bus deployment
- Strategic line of action to develop, implement and support cities in the transition towards clean bus fleets
 - Dedicated work plan to provide knowledge exchange and technical support, as well as to facilitate access to vehicle/infra applications and funding/financing
 - Social Dialogue activities in cooperation with European Transport Workers Federation
- Technologies considered:
 - **Battery electric**, Plug-in hybrid, Fuel cells & hydrogen, Natural gas, In-motion-charging trolleybuses (IMC)





Main activities and services





Interesting for you...

- Clean Bus Toolkit section:
 - Market Monitoring



- European bus data (tenders, orders, in service)
- Library
 - Interactive tools for planning
 - Webinars on clean bus technologies and related topics
 - Study visits to experienced cities
 - Marketplaces with the Industry & Financing entities



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Material related to the procurement

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Thank You & Reach out!

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Clean Vehicle Directive: Quotas for public procurement of buses



A clean bus is fuelled by:

- electricity
- hydrogen
- natural gas (CNG, LNG)
- most biofuels
- synthetic and paraffinic fuels
- liquefied petroleum gas (LPG)

A zero-emission (tailpipe) bus is a vehicle:

- without an ICE, or
- with an ICE that emits less than 1g CO₂/kWh or less than 1gCO₂/km



