

→ Mediate

Mediate aims to establish a common European methodology for measuring accessibility to public transport. This will contribute to the creation of inclusive transport systems providing better and easier access for all citizens.



→ More information

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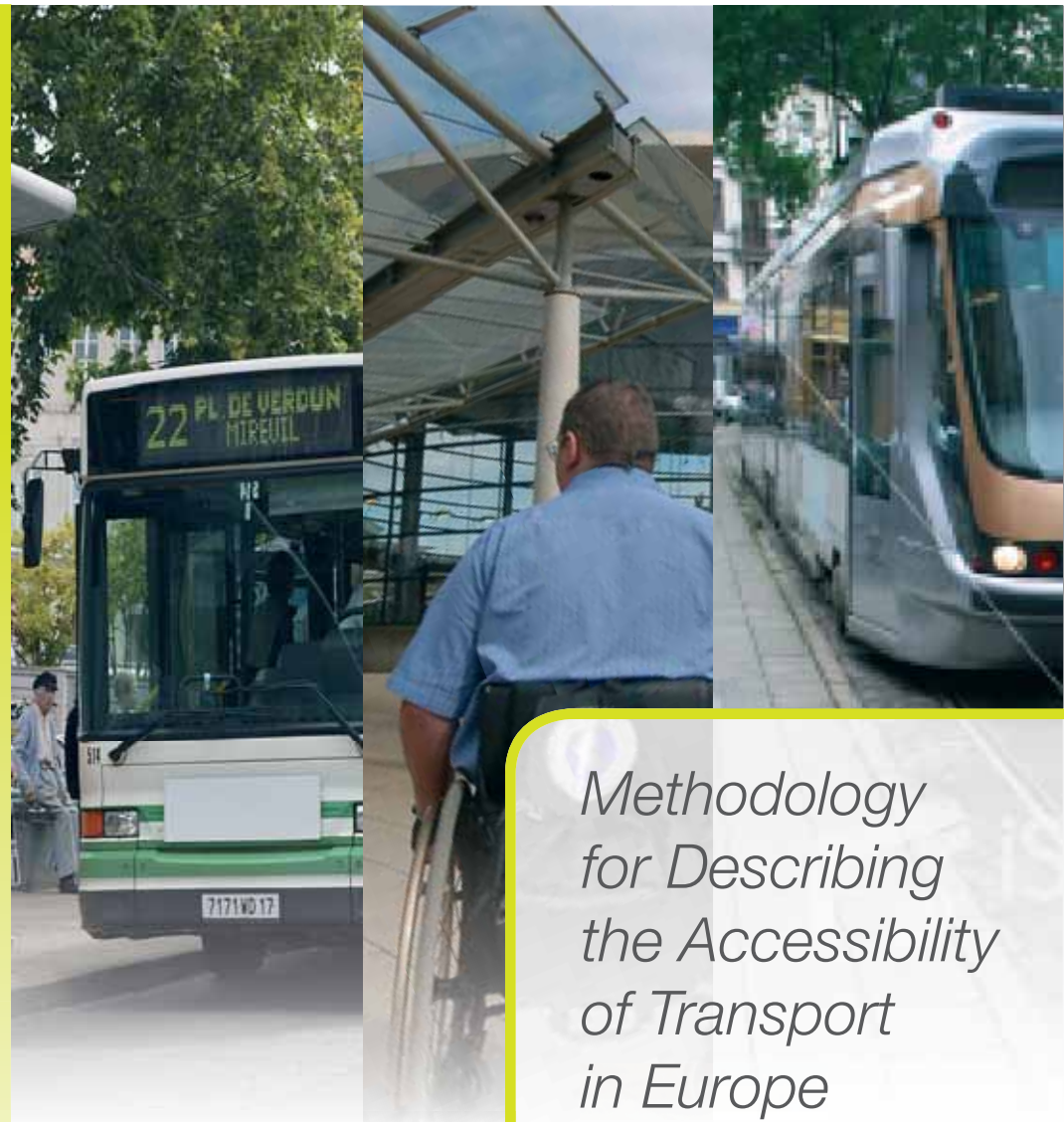
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*Methodology
for Describing
the Accessibility
of Transport
in Europe*





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The population of Europe is ageing, and already one in every ten European citizens is aged 60 or over. The United Nations estimates that 10% of all people have a disability. Over half the population of older people lives in urban areas, so it is becoming increasingly important for urban transport systems to be accessible.

So that Europe's cities can assess the extent to which their public transport system is fully inclusive, the Mediate Project aims to establish a common European methodology for measuring accessibility. This will lead to the development of a self-assessment tool that can be used by policy makers to identify areas where upgrading will improve the accessibility of public transport in their city.

In this way, Mediate will contribute to the provision of better and easier access for all.

→ The important outputs from Mediate will be:

- The identification of a set of common European indicators for describing accessibility
- The development of a self assessment tool for measuring accessibility of urban transport
- The establishment of a "one stop shop" website providing information on the accessibility of public transport systems, good practice and relevant legislation (www.aptie.eu) [Accessible Public Transport In Europe]
- The publication of a Good Practice Guide
- The creation of an End User Platform representing a broad range of passenger groups, which will continue beyond the life-span of the project

→ Participation

Mediate will be characterised by a strong emphasis on user involvement. Stakeholders will participate through membership of the following groups:

- **Expert Group:** 5-6 international experts within the field of accessibility to public transport representing different stakeholder groups: end users, operators, designers, manufacturers, etc
- **Working Group:** A total of 20 European cities represented by local transport authorities or public transport operators will form three Working Groups (each represented by 6-8 cities).
- **End User Platform:** Approximately 10 end users and end user groups representing people with disabilities, older people and others who face barriers when using public transport

