

Summary of the SUTP

According to EC and BUSTRIIP experts, the basic principles of SUTP consist of two important components: the planning process and the plan. SUTP has been integrated into the city development strategy with a long-term perspective.

This document "Guidelines of the Liepaja City Sustainable Transport" is elaborated within the BUSTRIIP project WP 2.

The aim of the work: to evaluate existing strategic documents of the transport system development of the Liepaja City, emphasize its priorities, compliance with SUTP basic principles and criteria, and to offer proposals for Liepaja's city transport system sustainable development.

Used methods: the analysis of the legislation and planning documents, interviews of experts, peer review results and analysis.

The main non-compliances:

- transport plan is not integrated into the city development strategy;
- lack of the transport planning expert/ department in the city administration (established in July 2007);
- the ensuring procedures of plans integration are incomplete;
- needed to define the public transport as a priority compared with private transport.

SUTP gives proposals for transport development in several fields of the transport system:

- regional and municipal transport integration – main attention on development and improvement of the road Riga-Liepaja-Klaipeda;
- improvement of the streets network – indicated needed elements for main streets of the city to improve traffic flows and decrease traffic jams;
- development of cycling network;
- development of parking places;
- pedestrian zones – construction of pedestrian streets and zones;
- traffic safety.