Connecting metropolitan areas

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Framework of the activity

Despite the fact that sustainable mobility is a transversal tool for achieving the Sustainable Development Goals, its relevance is particularly highlighted in SDG11: Sustainable Cities and Communities. The management of Metropolitan Areas is one of the challenges of the next 10 years. The growth of metropolises will inevitably lead us to reflect on the impact it will have on mobility. 64% of all global transport is carried out in urban environments. In this sense, it is reasonable to think that the challenges faced by urban agglomerations today, in relation to mobility, will continue to increase if the current models of urban mobility are not changed.

Mobility systems must be affordable, economically viable, people-oriented and environmentally friendly, and this requires a comprehensive and integrated approach to policy and decision making. In order to move in this direction, SDG 11 sets a specific target (number 11.2) which states that: “By 2030, access to safe, affordable, accessible and sustainable transport systems for all should be provided and road safety improved, in particular by expanding public transport, paying special attention to the needs of people in vulnerable situations, women, children, persons with disabilities and older persons”. To achieve this ambitious goal, it is important to change the current models of city and mobility. A commitment must be
made to mobility systems that include and integrate various alternatives for travel, especially those that are more sustainable. Integrating the use of the bicycle and encouraging travel on foot are actions that are perfectly in line with other SDGs as they reduce energy consumption (SDG 7), pollution (SDG 13), and help to improve the health of citizens (SDG 3).

ACTIVITY 1 - METROPOLITAN MOBILITY PLANNING, A VIEW FROM LATIN AMERICA

ACTIVITY 2 - “HOW DO WE MOVE IN LATIN AMERICAN METROPOLISES”: MAIN OBSTACLES AND CHALLENGES IN METROPOLITAN MOBILITY PLANNING

ACTIVITY 3 - MOVING AROUND OUR CITIES