

European Commuters for Sustainable Mobility Strategies

Report of the 3rd workshop – Barcelona II 6-8/06/2011

June 6th 2011

Visit to the facilities of the Barcelona Airport

Partners gathered at the meeting point of Terminal 1 (T1) of the El Prat airport (Barcelona) to become familiar with transport services for workers and passengers, such as the railway link with the city (suburban train lines), regular buses to the city and the shuttle bus service connecting terminals 1 and 2 (T1 and T2) with the municipality of El Prat del Llobregat.

The suburban train line has been working for over 30 years, but frequency and schedules became insufficient. Thanks to CCOO's intervention and the fact that suburban trains' management was transferred to the regional government the running times of trains to the airport were extended to meet the airport workers' working schedules. The opening of line PR1 connecting the airport with El Prat is also a result of trade union actions.





Guillem Alsina (Metropolitan Transport Agency of Barcelona) and Manel Ferri (CC 00)

- Accessibility to Barcelona airport

The Metropolitan Transport Agency explained of the basis for the management of the new express buses service to the airport and the process of trade union intervention carried out by CCOO in Baix Llobregat for the improvement of railway and shuttle services (PR1) to the airport.



June 7th 2011

Good practices of access to workplaces

The group travelled on public transport at early morning hours to the logistic park (ZAL). The first sessions took place in the CILSA/ZAL meeting room.

Rossend Bosch, Mobility manager of the logistic park ZAL

Rossend explained the details of the mobility plan which affects several industrial areas and estates (Zona Franca, Logistic Park, and Pratenc). The plan has had an irregular pace of development since it affects two municipalities (Barcelona and Prat de Llobregat). He also detailed the composition and phases of the mobility desk. The desk has been working alongside with the development and implementation of the mobility plan.





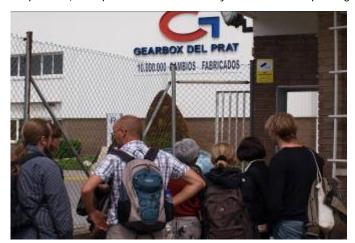


Vicenç Tarrats, head of the mobility department CCOO, district Barcelonès

The presentation focused on trade union intervention and follow-up of the Mobility Plan for Pratenc's industrial estate with the participation of work councils, elected representatives and municipal authorities.

Carlos Caro (Work Council at Gearbox)

Mr. Caro made a presentation on the involvement of Gearbox in Pratenc's mobility plan. The meeting was held in the company's offices. Gearbox that produces gearboxes for cars. Mr. Caro spoke as president of the work council. He highlighted the significance of workers participation in the mobility desk of the industrial estate in the implementation of a shuttle bus line from the interchanging station at El Prat and the management of parking spaces (with spaces reserved for bicycles and the carpooling at Gearbox).







Mobility perspective in the city of El Prat

Afternoon sessions took place in the district CCOO headquarters in El Prat del Llobregat

Sergi Alegre, deputy mayor for environmental/territorial affairs and urban development of Prat de Llobregat

Mr. Alegre explained the sustainable mobility policies implemented by the city council in the district during the last 8 years. Municipal authorities in El Prat have worked in the integration of industrial estates with municipal transport networks through shuttle bus services to the logistic park and to terminal 2 of Barcelona airport.

Mr. Alegre also described the network of protected areas in the delta of the Llobregat River, a protected natural environment designated as National Park, and the different urban development policies related to sustainable mobility (30km/h zones, bicycle and pedestrian lane networks, etc.)

Trade union experiences in mobility (Daniel Gutiérrez, Teresa Castellà, and Albert Vilallonga)

Daniel Gutiérrez described the mobility policies to access to workplaces in El Prat focusing in the implementation of the bus line PR4. The implementation of line PR4 which connects the railway interchanging station of El Prat with Pratenc's industrial estate was carried out with the participation of the City Council (Prat deLlobregat), the regional government of Catalonia, the metropolitan transport agency, the Port Authority of Barcelona, the Consortium of Zona Franca, CILSA, Barcelona's market network and Pratenc's industrial estate association of owners.

Teresa Castellà commented on mobility-related trade union activity on the district, specifically on the Mobility Plan for the University Hospital Arnau de Vilanova.

Albert Vilallonga presented two specific trade union experiences: the building of two pedestrian alleys in La Granada (Baix Penedès) and Can Buscarons (Eastern Vallès), based on a trade union demand to provide safe access to both industrial estates.







The bicycle ride to the Natural Park (Llobregat Delta) was cancelled due to the high risk of heavy storm which eventually affected the area by the end of the day.

June 8th 2011

The sessions were held at the Catalonian CCOO's headquarters. (Via Laietana 16 – room 1)

Vincent Meerschaert, Traject Consultants

Mr. Meerschaert made a detailed description of the data collected in the surveys sent to the project partners; these data will be the cornerstone of the final report to be submitted in October in the final conference. The most significant aspects include:

- Modal split by country
- Significant mobility aspects in each country
- Differences in modal split between countries

The presentation offered a perspective on mobility of the general population, trade unions and employers.

Mr. Meerschaert informed that the document will conclude with ten mobility guidelines for public authorities and/or trade unions. Guidelines explain why and how to achieve certain goals, as well as some examples and links to websites that clarify the information on sustainable mobility.

Ma Cruz Martinez (Comisiones Obreras) and Pilar Pedroso (ISTAS)

Both participants highlighted aspects of the project related to strict compliance by partners with budget and travel expenses requirements related to the workshops carried out in Barcelona and the final conference in Madrid in October 2011.









Luis Cuena & Manel Ferri, Comisiones Obreras

Both participants briefly explained the development of the final conference as well as the exact dates of the meeting, which will be held earlier than scheduled (to make the conference match with a mobility seminar that might be funded by the Spanish Ministry of Public Works.

The final conference will include a round table with the participation of all partners (except ISTAS).