Trade union's commitment to sustainable mobility

Commuting accounts for most daily journeys in Spain and over 60% of commuting journeys are made on private vehicles. The achievement of a more sustainable mobility definitely requires more cycling, walking as well as a more extended use of public transport instead of private motor vehicles. Trade union representatives wish to express their full commitment to cycling through the following actions:

- Demanding from employers and public authorities safe and sustainable access to workplaces especially through the use of bicycles
- Demanding a legal and financial framework to grant safe and sustainable commuting through measures to support non-motorized public transport
- Promoting the use of bicycles as means of daily transport and commuting among union members
- Development of training programmes for trade union representatives in order to achieve an adequate technical qualification to cope with the problems of the current mobility model and provide sustainable solutions for commuting
- Active involvement and joint efforts with NGOs and citizen's organizations that promote cycling for commuters











Proposals to promote cycling to work among commuters

The advantages of cycling include that it does not consume energy resources, it does not pollute the environment and is a noiseless activity. Cycling implies a more democratic form of commuting, it favors citizens' freedom of movement, it promotes physical activity and healthy life styles, and it also allows intermodality with other means of transport.

In view of these facts trade unions propose the implementation of the following measures:

Industrial estates and work centers must introduce cycling routes, itineraries, networks and safe bicycle lanes to ensure the safety of pedestrians and cycling commuters

 Companies and industrial estates must have easily accessible and safe bicycle parking spaces protected from weather conditions for cycling commuters

 Communication and information networks among cycling commuters to arrange common routes Workers are entitled to a safe and sustainable mobility including the use of bicycles as an efficient, healthy and affordable mean of transport

- Companies and work centers must provide workers with the necessary information to promote cycling: maps with best available routes, parking facilities and repair workshops
- Workers are entitled to a safe and sustainable mobility including the use of bicycles as an efficient, healthy and affordable mean of transport
- Companies must arrange comfortable spaces for bicycle users (bathrooms, shower facilities, lockers and dressing rooms)
- Encouraging companies to use bicycles as professional means of transport for short itineraries
- Encouraging companies and employers' organizations to support the use of bicycles among workers either through lent or bonus bicycles