

# Newsletter

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TRAILS stands for Youth for sustainable mobility and inclusion. Funded by EIT Urban Mobility, TRAILS aims to foster entrepreneurship and innovation capacity which will contribute to an advanced education curricula and support the young generation to further develop their skills in the field of the electro mobility. The project is being implemented in Bulgaria by Cleantech Bulgaria and in Malta by Malta College of Arts, Science and Technology.

*Dear Reader,*

*Welcome to the first newsletter of the TRAILS project!*

*We are excited to share with you information on our EIT Urban Mobility funded project, our consortium and upcoming activities. We hope you find this first edition informative and engaging, and we look forward to further collaboration toward a more sustainable urban future.*

## About EIT Urban Mobility

EIT Urban Mobility is an initiative of the European Institute of Innovation and Technology (EIT). Since January 2019 EIT has been encouraging positive changes in the way people move around cities in order to make them more liveable places. By fostering innovation and transformation, EIT Urban Mobility improves people's quality of life, decarbonize mobility and make Europe's economy more competitive. Check out the EIT website for education opportunities <https://www.eiturbanmobility.eu/academy/>

**Cleantech Bulgaria (CTBG)**, in the role of coordinator of the project, is a business network focused on clean technologies, innovation and sustainable development. The company is a trusted expert in many working groups for development of national programmes and directives replacing old systems based on discrimination and outdated mindsets. Cleantech Bulgaria, in its role of the Bulgarian Hub manager for EIT Manufacturing and a licensed VEC with a big expertise for designing and conducting training programs, has an immersive experience in educational and accelerator programs. This allows us to combine the best from all programs we have delivered.





**Malta College of Arts Science and Technology (MCAST)**, projects' consortium member is the leading higher education institution in Malta for the provision of vocational qualifications with over 10000 students and 640 academics and corporate personnel across six Institutes. The six MCAST' Institutes namely the Institute of Applied Sciences, the Institute for the Creative Arts, the Institute of Engineering and Transport, the Institute of Business Management and Commerce, the Institute of Community Services, the Institute of Information and Communication Technology and the Gozo Campus provide all the technical and professional expertise towards the delivery of the programmes at MCAST.



## Aspirations

TRAILS aspires to develop up to date content on electro mobility and deliver training to students/young professionals and practitioners in the field of future mobility to enhance their capacity and knowledge.

## How to get involved

-  We are conducting a needs assessment and mapping of opportunities on the existing knowledge and education opportunities in the field of the urban mobility
-  We will develop a training model for students and young electro mobility practitioners
-  Organize roundtable with trainees and representatives of the industry on the improvement of the training model
-  Deliver of train the trainers session on the use of the model developed

## EIT Urban Mobility Education Programme

EIT Academy is a collaborative arena for lifelong learning, helping to build critical capabilities for innovation and transformation. We are training the next generation of urban mobility practitioners, needed by the urban mobility ecosystem of the future.

## Survey

We value and appreciate your ideas! We would like to hear your insights and fully believe that would help us to better shape the training content reflecting the existing needs and opportunities towards a more sustainable urban mobility system that can be easily adopted by educational institutions.

The survey is out now! Take a few minutes and become part of the change and the future mobility!

**Survey in English:** <https://bit.ly/42tO4KF>

**Survey in Bulgarian:** <https://bit.ly/3p6Bjaq>

**Master School** - EIT UM Master School offers a wide-ranging master's degree in urban mobility and aims to train 500 graduates per year in partnership with ten universities. This EIT labelled challenge-based double degree programme (1st and 2nd year in a different university) includes extensive training in innovation and entrepreneurship. The Master School also includes summer schools held in several European cities addressing critical urban mobility challenges. Follow the link for more info:

<https://www.eiturbanmobility.eu/academy/masterschool/>

**Doctoral Training Network** - This is an innovation and entrepreneurship programme for doctoral students, as well as a way of building networks. The aim is to train 50 graduates per year. This programme bridges research and innovation and started in 2020. Follow the link for more info  
<https://www.eiturbanmobility.eu/academy/doctoral-training-network/>

**Competence Hub** – This programme offers courses on hot topics in urban mobility for professionals in different sectors, such as project managers, engineers, city executives and entrepreneurs, co-created with our partners throughout Europe. Follow the link for more info  
<https://www.eiturbanmobility.eu/academy/competence-hub/>

**Education Capacity Building** - The Education Capacity Building team develops education activities to raise awareness of, and provide essential skills in, the area of urban mobility, innovation and entrepreneurship by building synergies with other KICs and breaking silos across, disciplines, geographies, and all sides of the knowledge triangle. Follow the link for additional info  
<https://www.eiturbanmobility.eu/academy/education-capacity-building/>

## Our Communication Channels



Check out our communication channels for updates on our TRAILS project and beyond!

### Bulgaria

<https://www.facebook.com/cleantechbg/>

<https://bg.linkedin.com/company/cleantech-bulgaria>

### Malta

<https://www.facebook.com/CKICMalta>

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/eiturbanmobilitymaltahub>

<https://www.linkedin.com/company/eit-climate-kic-malta-hub/>



## Contact

Should you like to be further involved in the project, we would be happy to receive and answer your email to

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We look forward to seeing you in our upcoming piloting activities during the year! Stay tuned!