Transport, Health and Environment Pan-European Programme (THE PEP)

An overview
Tens of thousands of premature adult deaths are estimated to occur each year.

Physical inactivity is associated to about 600,000 deaths/year.

More than 30% of the EU15 population is exposed to noise levels exceeding 55 dB(A) during night time.

The overall land-use of one km of motorway is up to 20 ha.

127,000 deaths and 2.4 million injuries/year.

Physical inactivity
Air pollution
Climate change
Injuries
Psychosocial effects
Noise
Nature and landscape effects
• Established by representatives of transport, environment and health ministries at the 2\textsuperscript{nd} High level Meeting on Transport, Environment and Health (Geneva, 5 July 2002)

• Provides a policy framework for capacity building and exchange of information in selected priority areas, including:
  
  – Integration of environmental and health aspects into transport policy
  
  – Promotion of more sustainable urban transport, including cycling and walking, in combination with public transport
  
  – Addressing the specific issues of south eastern and EECCA countries
THE PEP provides

- A framework for equal representation and full ownership by the transport, health and environment sectors
- A unique example of cooperation among different organizations
- Implementation-oriented approach through concrete projects
THE PEP: operational arrangements

- Streamlined institutional setting:
  - THE PEP Steering Committee, Bureau, Ad Hoc Task Forces
  - Focal points for THE PEP
- Unique example of close inter-organizational cooperation
  - Joint UNECE and WHO/Euro secretariat services
  - Co-ordination with other relevant IGOs and NGOs
- Shared ownership and equal representation of three sectors of transport, health and environment
- Emphasis on transition countries
- Focus on a few key priorities
- Implementation oriented approach through concrete projects
Programme of Work for 2005-2007

- THE PEP Clearing House on Transport, Environment and Health
- Sustainable and healthy urban transport and land-use planning
- Transport Related Health Impacts and their Costs and Benefits with a Particular Focus on Children
- Guidance on institutional arrangements and mechanisms for integrated policy and decision-making
- Promotion of safe walking and cycling in urban areas