Declaration of Luxembourg on Cycling as a Climate Friendly Transport Mode

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Preamble

Transport:
- Congestion relief
- Cost effective transport mode
- Significant potential to increase mode share

Health:
- Children concentrate better, employees claim fewer paid sick days
- Health benefits outweigh safety risks
- EU adults walking or cycling for an additional 15 minutes: 100’000 premature deaths avoided (HEAT tool)

Environment:
- Greenhouse gas efficient
- Noise reduction
- Emissions reduction
Call upon the Commission to consider the following actions:

- Integrate cycling into multimodal transport policy
- Develop an EU level strategic document on cycling
- Set up a European focal point for cycling

Recognize that Member States can contribute by:

- Designating a national focal point for cycling
- Ensuring that national transport infrastructure projects consider and aim to strengthen cycling networks

Welcome initiatives by sub-national authorities to:

- Include cycling in urban, local or regional projects
- Draw on national and international best practices by working with national and European focal points
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