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Have the health crisis and recovery plans accelerated the expected ecological and social transition?

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ITF and the Covid-19 crisis
Updates on Covid-19-related Measures in ITF Member Countries

On ITF Website, You can see the latest policy responses by country

Covid-19 insights: the Compendium
Our main work streams assisting ITF member countries in tackling the Covid-19 crisis are now compiled in a single Compendium.

The Compendium collects insights from our various work streams including our Covid-19 Transport Briefs, webinar outputs, crisis measures in European road transport and a summary of freight recovery guidelines in the ASEAN region.
Covid-19 Transport Briefs

- Gender Equality, the Pandemic and a Transport Rethink (March, 2021)
- Stimulating Post-Pandemic Recovery through Infrastructure Investment (March, 2021)
- Lessons from Covid-19 State Support for Maritime Shipping (October, 2020)
- Drones in the Era of Coronavirus (June, 2020)
- Restoring Air Connectivity Under Policies to Mitigate Climate Change (May, 2020)
- How Badly Will the Coronavirus Crisis Hit Global Freight (May, 2020)
- Re-spacing Our Cities For Resilience (May, 2020)
- Global Container Shipping and the Coronavirus Crisis (April, 2020)
- Electric Mobility : Taking the Pulse in Times of Coronavirus (April, 2020)
- How Transport Supports the Health System in the Corona Crisis (April, 2020)
Covid-19: a vector for sustainable transport?
Covid-19 – the short-term effects

Potential opportunities for decarbonisation

- High levels of teleworking, reducing commute/business trips
- Rapid implementation of active mobility lanes
- Early retirement of older and less fuel-efficient aircrafts
- Faster deployment of automation and digital solutions

Potential challenges for decarbonisation

- Reduction of cleaner ‘shared’ modes and shift to private car use
- Increase in e-commerce and home deliveries
- Delayed vehicle fleet renewals and other investments, including cleaner technologies
Covid-19 – What will we see in the long term?

**Potential opportunities for decarbonisation**
- Focus on local trips and densification of neighbourhood centres
- Businesses shifting permanently to less business travel
- Trade regionalisation and shorter supply chains
- Greater political will and opportunity to foster greener technologies and operations

**Potential challenges for decarbonisation**
- Unmanaged urban sprawl as people move out of cities
- Greater reliance on private vehicles
- Reduced funding and service cuts for public transport
- Stimulus packages that support a return to the status quo
Align post Covid-19 actions to target the triple bottom line

A sustainable future for transport relies on all actors prioritising environmental and social gains as well as financial success.
Reshaping transport post-Covid: Towards greener, more sustainable networks

Key questions for policy-makers today:

- Teleworking and online meetings have become the norm: Can we expect this trend to continue after the crisis and, if so, with what impacts on transport networks?

- The path to recovery is challenging, notably for aviation, but also public transport: How can governments provide support (not only financial) to the transport sector to maximise positive impacts on transport users?

- The crisis highlighted the importance of resilient transport networks to ensure that essential trips and shipments of goods take place: What lessons are there to draw from this crisis on how to make transport more resilient to large-scale shocks?
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