

# Where are we in the European SUMP Agenda?

- We have made **great progress**:
  - ✓ SUMP **Guidelines** based on wide consensus (widely taken up)
  - ✓ **awareness** among very many stakeholders across Europe
  - ✓ excellent **projects** addressing specific aspects of SUMP in Europe
  - ✓ **recommendation** from the European Commission
  - ✓ "state-of-the-art plan" is a "**pre-requisite**" of significant funding from EU sources
  - ✓ SUMP **Platform** forming (and dialogue with national level)
- SUMP has become a **mainstream topic**, but
  - need to re-consider planning framework on **national level**
  - more **experience sharing** about "what works in practice"
  - work on **research agenda**
  - what is an "**SUMP**" (quality label)

# Is your mobility plan an "SUMP"?

- Does your plan meet the quality criteria of the European Commission? (Urban Mobility Package)
  - ✓ Long-term vision, clear goals & robust implementation plan
  - ✓ Participatory approach
  - ✓ Balanced and integrated development of all modes
  - ✓ Sectoral, vertical and geographic integration
  - ✓ Assessment of current and future performance
  - ✓ Regular monitoring, review and reporting
  - ✓ Consideration of external costs for all transport modes
- How will you "**ensure the quality and validate compliance** of the SUMP with the requirements of the SUMP concept"?  
[COM(2013) 913, Annex 1, p.5]

# The "Rupprecht Quality Certificate"

- An independent assessment of the compliance with the EC criteria for SUMP:
  - Long-term vision, clear goals & robust implementation plan
  - **Participatory approach (2x)**
  - Balanced and integrated development of all modes
  - **Sectoral, vertical and geographic integration (2x)**
  - **Assessment of current and future performance (2x)**
  - Regular monitoring, review and reporting
  - Consideration of external costs for all transport modes
- A transparent system of 100 points in 7 categories
  - double **weight** for 3 larger/ success-critical criteria
  - clear marks ("**traffic light**" system with levels)
  - minimum **thresholds** per criterion and overall
  - some consideration of (national) legal **context**



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## ■ Scope of assessment:

- **independent review** by the developers of the SUMP Guidelines
  - final planning **documents**
  - monitoring of **process**  
(or evidence of having followed the recommended process)
- **workshops** with policy makers/ SUMP team (to be agreed)
- intermediate **feedback**, incl. advice for improvement (optional)
- quality assurance during SUMP **implementation phase** (optional)

## ■ Outcome

- **assessment report** with recommendations for future improvement
- **quality label** (plan-specific)



# Why might this be useful?

- **compliments** "quality improvement" activities (e.g. "auditing" and peer review activities), but is not part of the development process
- an independent review supports **internal processes**
- a quality label helps to **communicate** achievements
- allows **comparison** with other cities (at least in the same country), but is not a benchmark
- is a quality feature for SUMP **developers**