

ACTIVE MOBILITY INNOVATIONS
FOR GREEN & SAFE CITY SOLUTIONS

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About AMIGOS

AMIGOS helps cities achieve carbon neutrality by 2030 through zero-emission and active mobility.

It identifies mobility challenges in 5 cities and 10 urban areas, co-developing and testing solutions with authorities and vulnerable users to boost public transport, promote sustainable travel, improve safety, and assess impacts for replication in twin cities.



Start: June 2023
End: May 2027

AMIGOS' objectives

The AMIGOS project is rethinking the future of urban mobility. Starting with five cities and ten urban areas, it explores the biggest mobility challenges of today and co-develops smart, tailored solutions with local authorities and vulnerable users. These solutions are not just tested in real life, but also designed to be replicated in five twin cities.



1. Collection & analysis of urban mobility data



2. Identification of current and upcoming mobility challenges by urban stakeholders



3. Co-development, with key stakeholders of adapted mobility solutions



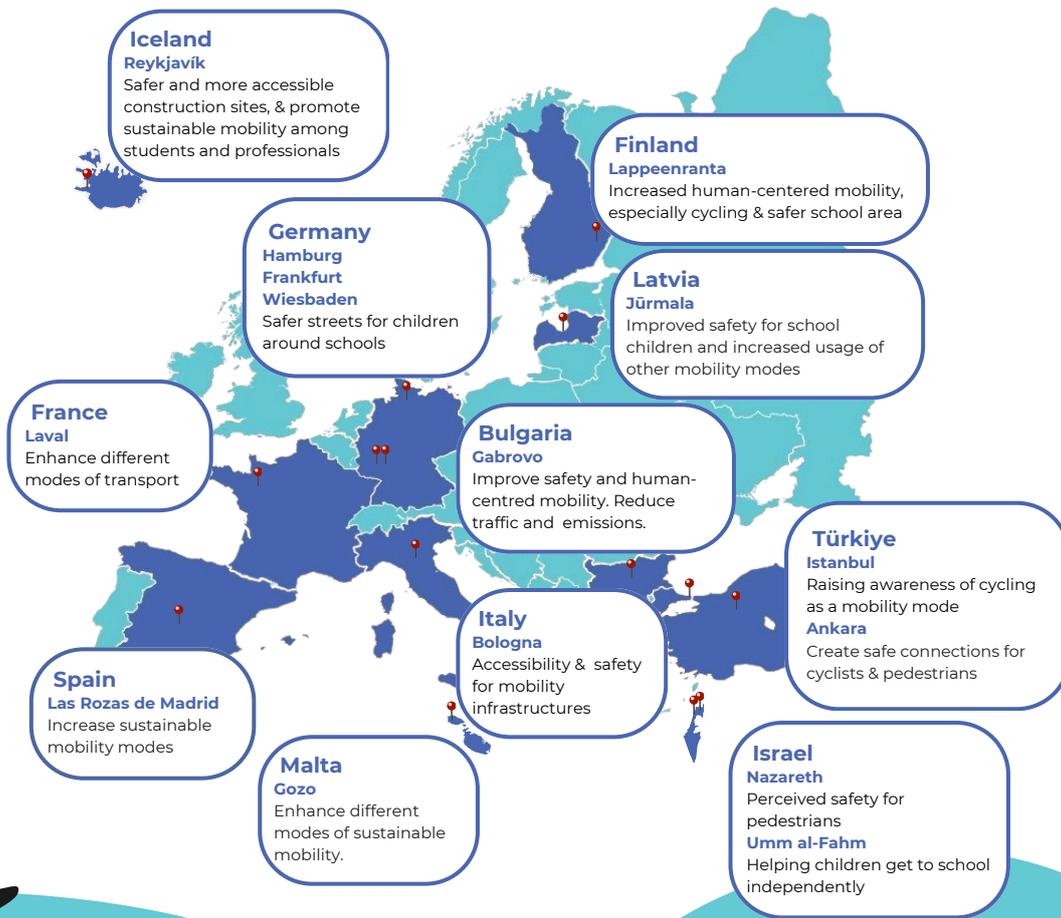
4. Implementation & Replication of the solutions

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5 cities 10 urban areas

AMIGOS supports European cities in achieving climate neutrality by 2030 through zero-emission, active and sustainable mobility solutions. The project works with **5 Living Labs (Hamburg, Gabrovo, Lappeenranta, Istanbul, Las Rozas)**, **10 Safety Improvement Areas (Hamburg, Gabrovo, Lappeenranta, Istanbul, Las Rozas, Jūrmala, Bologna, Reykjavík, Nazareth, Ankara)** and **5 Twin Cities (Gozo, Umm al-Fahm, Wiesbaden, Frankfurt, Laval)** to identify local mobility challenges and co-develop inclusive, safe and affordable solutions together with authorities and vulnerable road users.

By testing these interventions in real urban environments and assessing their environmental, social, economic and safety impacts, AMIGOS ensures that effective measures can be adapted, replicated and scaled up across different European cities.



Las Rozas, Spain

Co-Creation at the Core of AMIGOS

Co-creation is a core component of the AMIGOS methodology. Rather than designing mobility measures top-down, the project engages citizens, vulnerable road users, schools, planners and local authorities in jointly shaping solutions adapted to their specific contexts.

A Structured Two-Step Process

Across all participating cities, the co-creation cycle followed a common structure:

Workshop 1 – Lived and Wished Mobilities

Participants identified everyday mobility challenges and explored how they would like their city to function in the future.

Workshop 2 – Defining Interventions

Ideas from the first workshop were refined into concrete, locally validated measures. In several cities, proposals were tested using maps or digital tools before progressing toward implementation.

Broad Participation across cities

In total, AMIGOS organised 20 co-creation workshops, involving more than 650 participants, generating over 100 identified mobility challenges and 80+ proposed interventions.

The level of participation varied depending on the local context, but the diversity of profiles remained consistent. Participants included residents, youth and school communities, vulnerable road users, municipal representatives, planners and civil society actors.

Workshops were held in: **Reykjavík, Las Rozas, Bologna, Nazareth, Hamburg, Gabrovo, Lappeenranta, Ankara, Istanbul and Jūrmala.**

From Local Challenges to Shared Patterns

Although contexts differ, common issues emerged across cities: unsafe pedestrian infrastructure, gaps in cycling networks, school-area congestion, accessibility barriers and car dominance.

The solutions co-designed reflect a clear shift toward safer, more inclusive and pedestrian-friendly public spaces. Notably, most cities prioritised foundational safety and infrastructure improvements before introducing technological measures.

Beyond Workshops: Evaluation and Learning

The co-creation cycle was complemented by structured reflection and evaluation, including city feedback questionnaires and expert review. This ensures that co-creation in AMIGOS is not only participatory, but also structured, measurable and ready to inform implementation and replication.



AMIGOS within the CIVITAS Initiative

AMIGOS is part of the CIVITAS Initiative, the European Commission's flagship programme for sustainable urban mobility under Horizon Europe. CIVITAS supports cities in testing and scaling innovative solutions for cleaner, safer and more inclusive transport systems.

In 2025, AMIGOS was represented at **Urban Mobility Days in Vilnius**, where our project coordinator from Hamburg joined cities, policymakers and CIVITAS projects to exchange on the future of sustainable urban mobility. The event highlighted active, safe and people-centred mobility — core values of AMIGOS.



Collaboration with Sister Projects

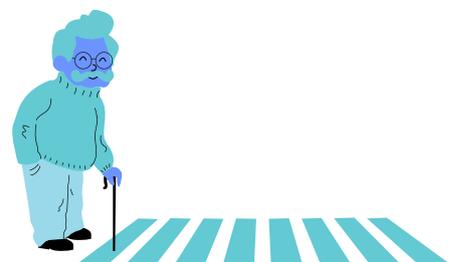


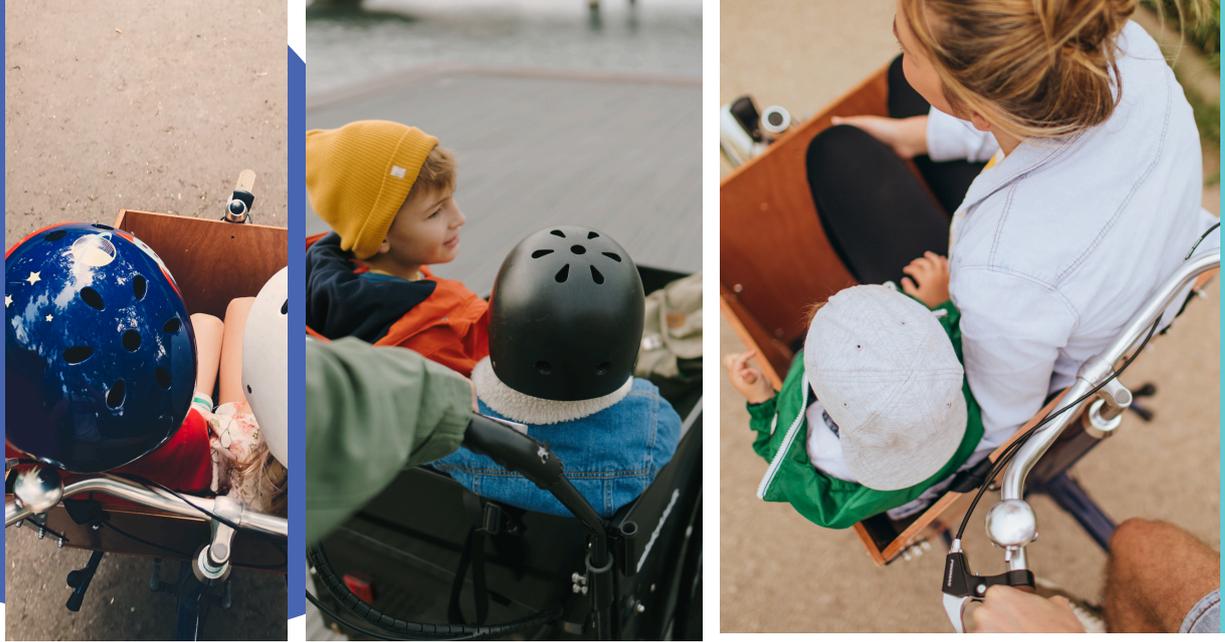
REALLOCATE, JUST STREETS, ELABORATOR

AMIGOS collaborates closely with its Horizon Europe sister projects **REALLOCATE**, **ELABORATOR** and **JUST STREETS**, all working within the CIVITAS framework to advance sustainable urban mobility across Europe.

While each project addresses different dimensions of mobility transformation, from street reallocation and inclusive public space design to climate-neutral transport systems and equitable mobility, they share common goals: safer streets, active travel promotion, social inclusion and measurable impact.

Through joint meetings, exchanges at **CIVITAS events** and knowledge-sharing activities, the projects align methodologies, discuss impact assessment approaches and explore replication pathways. This collaboration strengthens the transferability of results and contributes to a broader European ecosystem accelerating the transition toward greener, safer and more people-centred cities.





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