

The SUMP Learning Programme

The **SUMP Learning Programme** (SLP) is a European programme comprising knowledge transfer, testing and assessment, and continuous user feedback collection with high quality content about concepts, approaches, tools, and methodologies for Sustainable Urban Mobility Plan (SUMP) development.

The programme aims to share good practice in SUMP with transport planning and decision makers and help them to choose and make the best use of available resources in their local context. The information is tailored to small- and medium-sized towns and larger cities with low SUMP take-up and high support needs.

The main characteristics of the SUMP Learning Programme are:

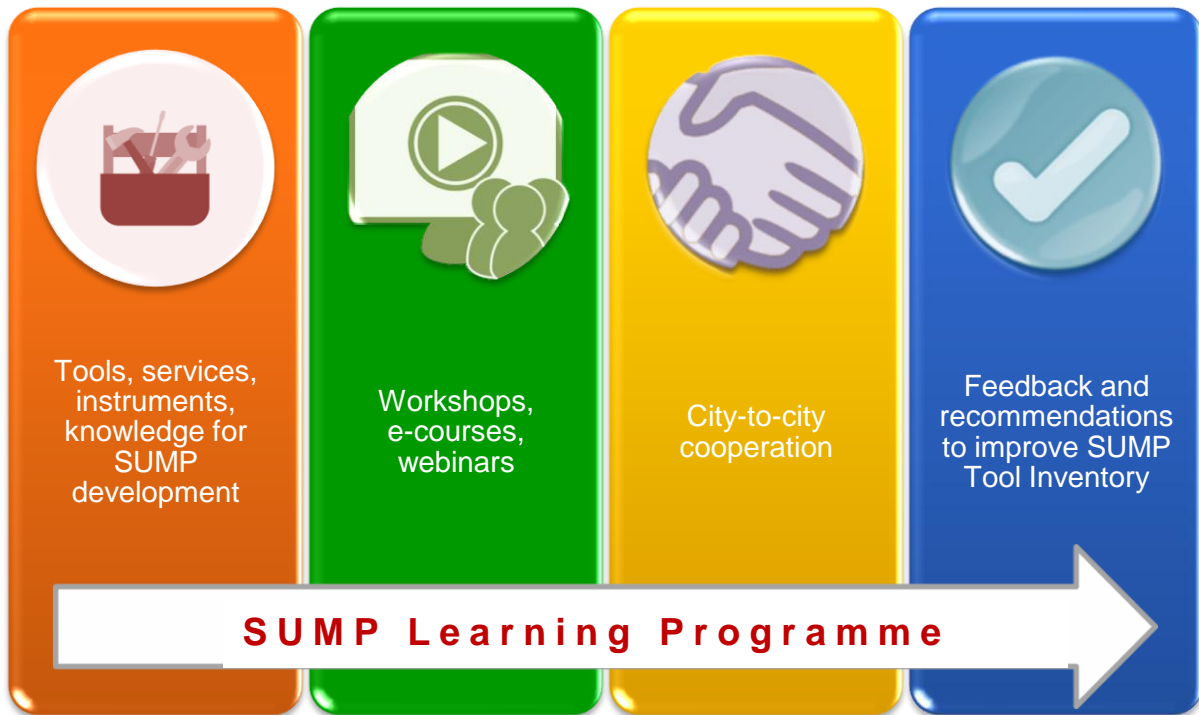
- Thematic approach;
- European coverage;
- Flexible framework;
- A target group of 100 planning authorities (towns and cities) recruited through three open calls (using the Innovation Pilot Pool funding mechanism);
- A mix of web-based and face-to-face interactions: e-courses, webinars, workshops, peer-to-peer exchange and one-to-one expert support sessions;
- Project-related information is provided in English;
- Face-to-face interactions (workshops) are organised in English and, where possible, in the local language.

Participating cities will become familiar with SUMP tools presented through the learning programme, then test and assess the effectiveness and usefulness in their local context, and provide feedback and recommendations for their improvement.

It is expected that data arising from SLP activities will be fed back into the [CIVITAS Tool Inventory](#) with the aim to improve tools and services for effective SUMP development and encourage take-up in European cities and regions.

Each SLP “class” is composed of **15-20 participants** with similar characteristics in terms of geography, size, current preconditions and/or challenges, SUMP experience levels, etc. Together the cities selected for the five SLPs form the Expert Group. A Leadership Group consisting of 1 to 10 cities will also be selected during the first call for applications.

Course structure and format



A team of transport planning professionals will convey information to cities about how to approach a SUMP and will closely accompany all participants through a mix of web-based and face-to-face elements, called *blended learning*, throughout the SLP's six-month duration:

- 3 webinars**
- 3 workshops**, linked to study visits and one-to-one expert support sessions
- 3 e-courses**
- 1 city-to-city review**
- 1 one-to-one expert support session**

After an **initial assessment of the SUMP development status in each city** using the most convenient version of the SUMP ex-ante appraisal (self-assessment), each authority will be directed to the most appropriate tool(s) from the CIVITAS Tool Inventory that help(s) them address their current need(s) and will have the opportunity to test it locally.

The **test phase** involves an implementation component, which could be a feasibility or technical study, a measure, a campaign or a process-advancement element that contributes to the take-up of a SUMP in the respective city. Throughout the process, each authority will receive support from one SUMP-UP city partner (acting as thematic expert) and one technical expert (acting as facilitator) from the SUMP-UP consortium.

Planning authorities will have multiple opportunities to receive **real-time feedback** from experts during workshops, at one-to-one expert sessions, or during the peer-review process. The peer-reviews and one-to-one expert sessions can be organised as workshops or as separate activity.

SLP participants will at all times engage in interactively sharing knowledge and experience at workshops, webinars and in the discussions on lessons learned.

Overview of the SLP thematic topics and timeline

The overall SUMP Learning Programme will run between September 2017 – September 2019, and is structured in 5 SLP classes covering a thematic topic:

SLP nr.	Topic
SLP1	Tools and services for initiating a SUMP
SLP2	Tools and services for initiating a SUMP tailor-made for small and medium size cities
SLP3	Tools and services for SUMP elaboration and measure selection ¹
SLP4	Tools and services for SUMP elaboration and measure selection
SLP5	Tools and services for SUMP implementation, financing, and procurement

Overview of the entire SUMP Learning Programme and timeline (draft version from February 2018):

SLP nr.	Timeline	Key topic	Subtopics
SLP1	Autumn 2017 – Feb 2018	Tools and services for initiating a SUMP	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Assessment of resources and potentials • Starting a SUMP process • Project and resource management • Fit in the given national framework • Analysis of the mobility situation and data availability • Identify and engage stakeholders and citizens • Develop a common vision of mobility, set goals and strategic objectives • Identify the priorities • Quick-win solutions

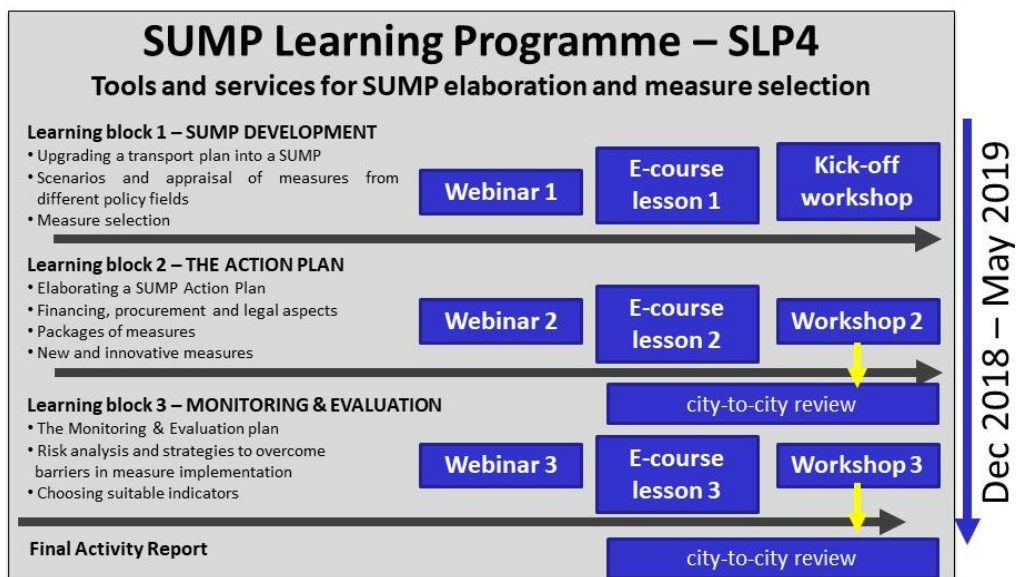
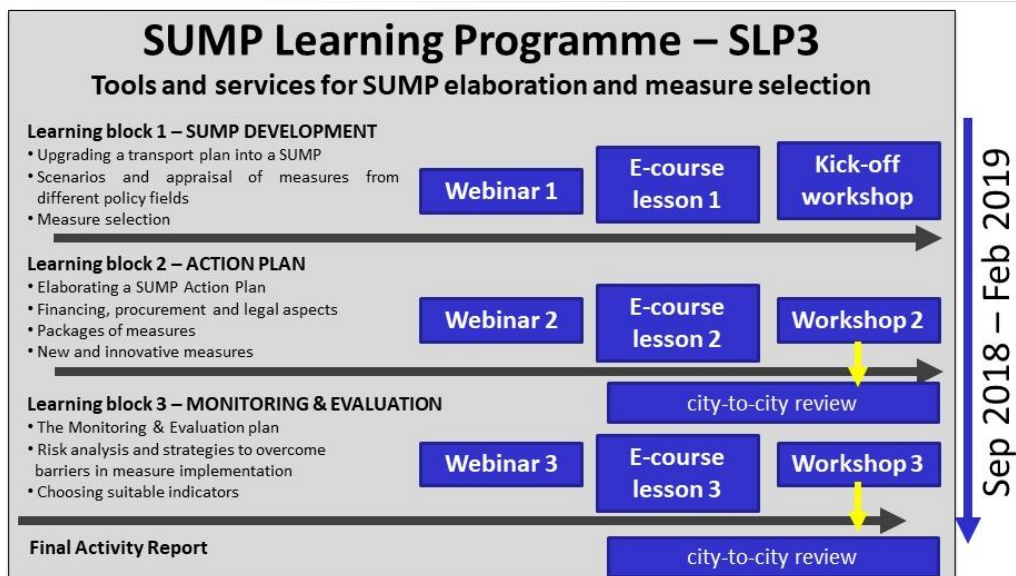
¹ Two SLP classes (SLP3 and SLP4) will be dedicated to transfer knowledge about the overarching topic of SUMP development due to the high interest on the subject expressed by cities around Europe.

SLP2	Dec 2017 – May 2018	Tools and services for initiating a SUMP tailor-made for small and medium size cities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Assessment of resources and potentials • Starting a SUMP process • Institutional cooperation with neighbouring municipalities • The regional approach on SUMP • Project and resource management • Fit in the given national framework • Analysis of the mobility situation and data availability • Identify and engage stakeholders and citizens • Develop a common vision of mobility, set goals and strategic objectives • Identify the priorities • Quick-win solutions
SLP3	Sep 2018 – Feb 2019	Tools and services for SUMP elaboration and measure selection	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Upgrading of a transport plan as a SUMP • Scenarios and appraisal of measures from different policy fields • New and innovative measures • The SUMP adoption • The SUMP Action Plan • Monitoring and Evaluation Plan • <i>Other specific topics in SLP3 and SLP4 will be defined upon the feedback received in SLP1 and SLP2</i>
SLP4	Dec 2018 – May 2019	Tools and services for SUMP elaboration and measure selection	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Upgrading of a transport plan as a SUMP • Scenarios and appraisal of measures from different policy fields • New and innovative measures • The SUMP adoption • The SUMP Action Plan • Monitoring and Evaluation Plan • <i>Other specific topics in SLP3 and SLP4 will be defined upon the feedback received in SLP1 and SLP2</i>
SLP5	Mar 2019 – Sep 2019	Tools and services for SUMP	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Planning and management of measure implementation • Monitoring and Evaluation Plan

<p>implementation, financing, and procurement</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Impact assessment • Identify new challenges • <i>Other specific topics in SLP5 will be defined upon the feedback received in SLP1-4</i>
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SLP 3 and 4

SLP3 and **SLP4** will both contain up to 20 planning authorities who together form the second Expert Group intake. SLP 3 will start in September 2018 and SLP 4 in December 2018.



More details related to eligibility and applications to participate in the SLPs, funding, and the financial procedures are provided in the Terms of Reference and the text for the 2nd Call for Applications to join the SUMP Learning Programme.

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