

## **CIrClE 2019**

Challenges for the Islands in the era of the Circular Economy

Promoting Sustainable Urban Mobility Plans in Conjunction with Urban Transport Developments and Technology Integration

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**Ipsonas Municipality** 



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#### **Ipsonas at a glance**

- Population: Estimated at around 14000 people (11,117 in the 2011 census)
- Area: ~ 33 Km<sup>2</sup> (second largest municipality in Limassol)
- Households: ~ 4900 units
- Largest industrial area in the district (more than 2,675,000m<sup>2</sup>) with almost 2100 workers commuting every day
- Mostly residential with two commercial roads south of the old town centre and one to the east
- Old Town Center is highly underdeveloped and is inhabited by third country residents (mostly from Syria)
- Served by 3 bus routes No. 16,17 & 18
- Agreed to place 34 bus shelters under the Memorandum of Cooperation in Ipsonas and 20 in Trachoni and Kolossi





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#### **Actions for SUMP Development**

- Ban all petrol and diesel car usage within the Old Town Center ٠
- Change the zone usage from residential to mixed residential and commercial ٠
- Allow loading and unloading of supplies for shops using only electric trucks provided by the municipality at specific time intervals
- Link the bus routes in 2020 with all the residential areas of Ipsonas as well as the industrial areas ٠
  - > Added new routes to serve the industrial area as well as to connect the West suburbs of the city with the East
  - > Upgraded the existing bus routes to connect all the residential areas of Ipsonas with the Old Town Center
- Buy land to create parking places around and not within the proposed enclosed area of the Old Town Center
- Penalize the usage and ownership of cars in each household by charging public parking spaces within neighborhoods
- Create one-way streets on every secondary network road to make the use of cars more difficult and time consuming ٠
- Connect all public buildings, large green areas, the Old Town Center, schools and monuments including churches with a complete pedestrian and cyclist network
- Integrate the bus geo-location system with the application e-psonas so that real time data on the arrival of buses at certain interest points is given under one app
- Through the use of digital signage on smart poles and info kiosks relay the information of bus arrival to certain interest points ٠



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### **Objectives and Targets**

- Create a sustainable city through the implementation of SUMP by developing economic, social, cultural and environmental growth
- Reduce Carbon Footprint and help meet National targets
- Develop new businesses and increase employability in the area
- Reduce the usage of cars and thus minimize congestion in the commercial roads
- Increase biodiversity in the area
- Attract tourists from surrounding areas by making accessibility easier as well as promoting the local heritage
- Help repair the old stone houses in the underdeveloped Town Center and revitalize the area
- Promote the use of renewable resources



# Thank you for your attention



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