

The transport of goods, both long distance and within cities, contributes a substantial part of the total emissions generated by the transport sector. The SMARTSET project has developed and shown how freight transport in European cities and regions can be made more energy-efficient and sustainable. Now, as the SMARTSET project is finalised, it is time to have a look back on three years of successful implementations of efficient urban freight transport measures.

8 application sites worked for 1 goal: cleaner, safer and more efficient freight transport

The application sites in SMARTSET worked together to promote the need for more efficient solutions that lead to fewer transport kilometres and more sustainable economic models. SMARTSET provides examples of good practice that can support cities, regions and countries to contribute to the European Union '20-20-20' targets for reduction in carbon dioxide emissions and improvement in energy-efficiency.

Inclusion of market based business models

Within SMARTSET, market based business models have been developed that play a crucial role in the development of energy efficient distribution solutions.

Introduction of clean vehicles

The introduction of clean vehicles for last mile distribution and the use of intermodal transport have been facilitated within the SMARTSET project. By distributing with small electric vehicles, the local environment will be drastically improved in terms of greenhouse gas and particle emissions, road safety and congestion, making city centres more attractive.

Development of incentives and regulations

Incentives and regulations have been developed in the SMARTSET project; these are necessary to steer towards energy efficient urban freight transport and to support the development of freight consolidation services. Previous systems of incentives have also been studied.



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SMARTSET partners

Identifying the right target audience and conveying the right message at the right time

SMARTSET provided a platform for the transfer of actions and knowledge as well as for the exchange of experiences between all partners. Innovative and forward-looking ideas and approaches are qualities that the project's target audience associates with SMARTSET.

Project results

The activities and the positive effects of the project are expected to continue far beyond the life of the SMARTSET project. All project results are now available on the website www.smartset-project.eu

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