Innovative Measures for Public Transport

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- 1. Innovation in PT not rocket science!
- 2. PT and future mobility services (MaaS, ridesourcing)
- 3. PT and COVID?????

It's not rocket science!



- What makes people choose public transport in place of another mode? It has to be:
- Cheaper
- Faster
- More convenient



$$G_{car} = t_{walk} * v_{walktime} + t_{ride} + \frac{d * VOC}{(occ * VOT)} + \frac{c_{park}}{(occ * VOT)}$$

FAST, RELIABLE, FREQUENT





Making PT relatively faster

- Bus/tram priority on road
- Continuum from painted lane to new busway
- Cost €100,000 to
 €7million per km
- Benefits significant e.g.
 Nantes' 7km BRT route
 - Halved bus journey time (40 to 20 min in peak)
 - Halved car traffic on route
 - 25% of new users from car



Cost – pricing and subsidy

	Public operating funding (€m)	Ridership (millions)	Population (millions)	Public funding/ person	Public funding/ trip	Trips/ person
All Sweden 2014	1,007	775	9.8	€102	€1.29	78
Gothenburg city 2013 (includes tram)	68.6	172.7	0.52	€132	€0.38	332
Vienna 2018 (source: Wiener Stadtwerke Annual Financial Statement)	170	965	1.87	€91	€0.17	516

- Season ticket prices:
- Vienna 365€ a year for main zone
- Gothenburg 700€ for large zone



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OTHER FACTORS

QUALITY VEHICLES AND STOPS



QUALITY INTERCHANGE

Time spent in an interchange is perceived twice as long as time on board a vehicle









MULTI-MODALITY

Complement public transport with other more flexible options:
 Stap over

Park & Ride

•Car-sharing

- Shared taxis and DRT
- •Bike sharing









Conventional public transport modes do not offer door-todoor solutions in all situations

Improving service quality and marketing

welcome to **spondon flyer** the really quick way to Derby

spondon flyer is the really quick and frequent way to travel between Spondon and Derby city centre, with buses running every 10 minutes throughout the daytime, it's perfect for getting you to and from work or out shopping.

You'll like the rather stylish buses with bright exterior design. They're comfortable too with leather seats and a designer interior, and easy to get on and off, thanks to the wide door and level floor at the front of the bus. There are special places for buggies, and wheelchairs you can simply glide on - there's even a dedicated spot close to the door that's safe for you.

It's these features that make travelling on **spondon flyer** a really good experience.

Welcome on board!





INTEGRATED TICKETING

(Not necessarily "smart" or high-tech)



CHANGING THE CONTEXT FOR PUBLIC TRANSPORT

Make PT faster by restraining cars

- Gradual reduction in road space and parking
- Access by P&R
- Focus new development in areas served by public transport
- Municipality and operator working closely together







Cut urban sprawl

Figure 2 Low density residential areas as a proportion of all residential areas built after the mid-1950s, selected European cities



MAAS, UBER AND SO ON



Figur 3.1 MaaS som koordinerende enhet, og aktør mellom den reisende og transportmidlene.

Uber and MaaS impacts

- Academic studies on impact of Uber on PT very inconclusive, context dependent
- Uber market share small *overall* but important in some places/at certain times

- MaaS integrated package of mobility services
- Probably needs to be public sector led
- Almost no evaluation to date

More seldom	As before	More often
48%	48%	4%
16%	61%	23%
4%	46%	50%
7%	75%	18%
6%	37%	57%
12%	68%	20%
6%	73%	21%
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Table 2. Reported changes in choice of transport mode, ex-post (n=160)

Table above – small scale trial, Gothenburg, 2014 Source: Karlsson et al (2016)

Costs to use new modes



Autonomous vehicles (AVs) are likely to cost more than human-driven private vehicles (HVs) and public transit, but less than human-driven taxis and ridehailing services.

 Source: Litman (2020) – excellent report, on CANVAS

COVID19 impacts

- Very difficult for PT demand and operations
- Needs in short term:
 - More subsidy
 - Faster journeys (priority, cut time at stops)
 - Build trust (masks, cleaning)
- Don't want to predict further

Thank you! Hvala lepa!

Questions?