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Cittaslow Mobility and Cycling

Updating





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Goal and ambition:

- **Enabling** Cittaslow communities to develop their cycling policies
- **Providing** guidance in emphasizing the impact on health
- **Encouraging** forms of sports and recreation by bike
- **Exploiting** the attraction of nature and environment for cyclists
- **Promoting** cycling for commuting to school and work and everyday life

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To achieve this, we will:

- **Summarize** existing and new cycling ideas and arrangements for further inspiration
- **Compile** a reference work (catalog) with formats suggested by members of the working group
  - *A basis to share with all Cittaslows as a source of inspiration for their own cycling policy, including all contact details of WG members.*
  - *Allowing all Cittaslows to use these ideas and invite them to send us additional examples to include in the brochure/catalog.*



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One-on-one digital meetings:
UPDATE!

- **24-02-2025** Andrea Kiss, Le Haillan



- **06-03-2025** Zeynep Tuğçe Çiftçibaşı Güç, Antalya Metropolitan



- **24-03-2025** Bożena Cebulska, Cittaslow Polish Network



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Andrea Kiss, Le Haillan FR

Project:
Overnight from two-way to one-way traffic in city center Le Haillan

Goal: more space for biking lanes, safety for children, replace transit to the borders of the city.

Approach:
- 2 years of calculations and preparations
- Focusgroup of cyclists
- Meetings with habitants: no negotiation

Implementation:
- New signposts for cars in city centre (overnight): two-way traffic to one-way traffic, bus stays two-way.
- Adjust traffic light waiting times
- Multiple evaluations in a short period of time

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Live feedback due to a very recent conversation on Monday, March 24.

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Experience the Hunze Valley by Bike



The Hunze River in the northeastern part of the Netherlands: once a broad, meandering stream in an extensive and inaccessible peat swamp.

Over centuries transformed by human activity into a channel within a vast, monotonous agricultural landscape. Thanks to nature development projects since 1995, the Hunze has gradually been reclaiming its natural course, evolving into a freely meandering stream.

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Project:

In recent years a new cycling route in the Hunze Valley has been designed, with:

- Intersections with the river at various points.
- Lookout points and bird hides at strategic locations.
- Side paths connecting the meandering route along the river, to nearby villages.
- Archaeological experience points situated along the route, giving visitors a deeper insight into the rich history of the area.
- So-called village walks around the villages, allowing visitors to explore the surrounding area on foot.

Goal:

Both residents and visitors can fully enjoy the unique experience of the Hunze Valley, by bike and on foot.

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Project:

Bicycle and Green Walking Path Perşembe

- 2 kilometers: start at Perşembe Port following the coastal route along the Bolaman line.
- Implementation within 3 stages
- Focus on health and environmental sustainability
- Including: signage, logos, walking trails, seating areas, trash bins, bicycle parking units, lighting poles.



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- Perşembe Municipality gifted bicycles to students on report card day, to encourage cycling among the youth.



Goal:

Make Perşembe a more livable and accessible place for all age groups

Projects Antalya Metropolitan City: Zeynep Tuğçe Çiftçibaşı Güç

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WG Cycling: Follow-up

- One-on-one digital meetings with participants we have not yet spoken to.
- Follow-up appointments with all WG participants.
- We are starting to compile the catalog with the first input and ideas.
- Next feedback session: Cittaslow International Assembly, Wando (South Korea) 21 June 2025

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