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Acronyms

Acronym	Meaning
EU	European Union
WP	Work Package
KER	Key Exploitable Result
DoA	Description of the Action
ES	Spain
DE	Deutschland
IT	Italy
BE	Belgium
CZ	Czech Reoublic
PT	Portugal
LV	Latvia
QFD	Quality Function Development
SUMP	Sustainable Urban Mobility Plan
SULP	Sustainable Urban Logistics Plan



Executive Summary

This report presents the results generated in the user research performed within Task 2.2 of the UNCHAIN project. The different actors integrating the logistics ecosystem in the living labs taking part in project demonstration have been considered in this research, focused on collecting user needs and requirements to improve urban logistics.

The user research has been divided in qualitative research and quantitative research. The qualitative research, aimed at investigating and identifying the needs and requirements to improve logistics processes, has included two interventions: *Netnography* and a Delphi questionnaire. The *Netnography* was performed by analysing ratings and comments published on social networks by logistics customers, in three different cities: Berlin, Florence and Madrid. The Delphi questionnaire was conducted in two intervention rounds, and was completed by the logistics actors that are part of the UNCHAIN consortium. The first round of the intervention included an in-person workshop, and interviews with members of the Madrid use cases. In the second round, the participants filled up an online questionnaire, aimed to assess the main assessments and findings of the intervention.

The quantitative research, aimed at estimating the current and future demand and the adequacy of the proposed services and functionalities, included a survey distributed in the seven countries where the UNCHAIN project will perform pilot test, i.e. Belgium, Czech Republic, Germany, Italy, Latvia, Portugal and Spain. At least 68 professional users (administrations, logistics, distribution) participated per country with a total sample size of 654 participants.

The document presents separately the results generated in each intervention (2 qualitative and 1 quantitative), introducing the methodology followed in each intervention.

The results have identified improvement factors for the logistics services from two perspectives: from the perspective of the customers (end users), interested in a better service, and from the professionals' perspective, demanding more involvement of the public administration to support them in their daily operation.



1. Introduction.

UNCHAIN is an innovation project aimed at developing and testing new services to make urban logistics more efficient and sustainable. The services will be tested by performing a large-scale demonstration in three living labs (Berlin, Florence, Madrid), and four follower cities (Funchal, Mechelen, Prague, Riga), which are seven EU countries. As a previous stage of the services' development process, the project is generating and compiling all the relevant information from a wide perspective, including needs and requirements from users and stakeholders, but also the legal framework at the local level. The outcomes of the tasks comprehended in WP2 are going to feed into all the following WPs, thus ensuring a robust and holistic approach for the deployment of the UNCHAIN framework and services. WP2 will define the features and functionalities to be integrated in the solutions and tested according to the possibilities and existing infrastructure of the UNCHAIN pilots.

This report presents the results related to the definition of users' requirements and needs, including both customers and professionals. These results will be employed by UNCHAIN service leaders, to feed the development process of the services proposed by the project to optimize logistic operations. In addition, the demonstration sites will also get benefit of these results, to have a deeper knowledge of the difficulties that encounter logistics actors in their daily operation.

The definition of users' requirements and needs has been tackled by performing a user research task, focused on identifying key points and critical factors to improve logistics.

Section 2 of this document presents the gender, ethics and data aspects considered to perform the user research.

To collect the customers' requirements, we have collected and analysed social media data. Besides this, the collection of professionals' needs has been tackled in a two steps intervention, collecting firstly their insights in a qualitative way, and validating the main statements derived from these insights in a quantitative way.

Observation tasks coming from the *Netnography* in the qualitative research are described in section 3.1.1, and the results obtained are presented in section 3.1.2. The observation was performed by reviewing online chats and social networks, where users rate different logistics companies and make comments about their experiences when employ the services companies offer. We collected data from the three UNCHAIN's living labs.

In the professionals' insights collection through the Delphi intervention, we have worked with experts within the consortium. The qualitative methodology applied to get these insights is presented in section 3.2.1, and results in section 3.2.2.

To validate quantitatively the main hypothesis and statements extracted from the qualitative research with professionals, we have performed a survey participated by professionals, externals to project consortium. More than 500 professionals have participated in the survey, distributed in seven different EU countries. The survey definition is described in section 4.1, and the results obtained are presented in section 4.2.



In section 5 we discuss about how to interpret the results we have obtained in the different tasks related to the user research, and our conclusions regarding this topic.

2. Gender, ethics and data related issues

2.1. Gender related issues.

This report includes the description of three interventions, participated by end users and intermediate users. Two of these interventions are qualitative (*Netnography* and Delphi), and the third is quantitative (Survey). The gender issues have been tackled differently in each intervention, as described in the following paragraphs:

- Delphi: this intervention included a workshop and interviews for the first Delphi round, and an online questionnaire for the second Delphi round, as described in section 3.2.1.
 Participants were the representatives of the UNCHAIN partners, and their contributions were anonymous, and we only registered their professional profile in the online questionnaire. So, we can consider the gender distribution for this intervention is the gender distribution of the UNCHAIN consortium.
- Netnography: this intervention included the recollection of ratings and comments from the Google reviews, as described in section 3.1.1. Despite both contributions, ratings and comments, are anonymous, we can derive the gender of most of the comments by the nickname given by the author. Based on this classification, we have a slightly unbalanced sample of 40% females and 60% males. An analysis has been made to find significant differences in positive and negative comments and hate levels, as presented in section 3.1.2
- Survey: regardless the survey was anonymous, it was asked a general question about the participants' gender (ANNEX 6). The sample is unbalanced as the rate of male participants (65.9%) doubles the rate of females. This gender distribution has not been imposed by survey's design, and considering our target population are professionals, it could be related to the nowadays situation in the logistics sector¹. An analysis has been made to find significative differences between women and men answers, as presented in section 4.2.

¹ Transport is a sector that still employs relatively few women (22.2 % of the workforce compared to 46.1 % of all people employed across the whole economy). There has been no discernible progress over the past decade, with women making up 22.3 % of the workforce in the transport sector in 2011). https://eige.europa.eu/gender-statistics/dgs/data-talks/transport-eu-too-few-women-decision-making



2.2. Ethics related issues.

The methodology to be followed in those interventions described in this report involving the participation of end users and intermediate users, externals to the project consortium, have been described to the Lancaster Ethics Committee through the official application form of this institution.

We received the approval of the Lancaster Ethics Committee on October 10th 2023 (ANNEX 1) to perform the *Netnogtaphy* and to distribute the survey in seven European countries (those countries with cities being part of pilot demonstration sites of the UNCHAIN project), and the approval for an amendment (ANNEX 2), extending the survey's distribution to all EU countries on October 26th 2023.

To deal with the ethical issues in the quantitative survey, an information sheet and a consent form (ANNEX 6) was included at the beginning of the online questionnaire. Therefore, the participants have to read the documents as a previous step to fill up the questionnaire.

By proceeding in this way, the survey was conducted in strict adherence to the terms and conditions approved by the ethics committee (see ANNEX 1 and ANNEX 2). Additionally, we possess comprehensive documentation supporting this affirmation of compliance.

Furthermore, all collected data adheres to the specifications and requirements outlined in the project's data management plan.

2.3. Data related issues.

ANNEX 8 presents the description of the datasets generated in the qualitative and quantitative interventions reported in this document. These datasets do not contain any personal data of the participants who took part in these interventions.

As the questionnaire was distributed through a digital platform, each record of the participants' answers contains the date the survey was filled up.

All data is accessible to partner requests in an anonymized (open) manner and will be hosted in a publicly accessible data repository as mutually agreed upon within the project.

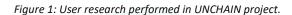
3. Qualitative research.

User qualitative research aims to understand which are the main factors (positives and negatives) that explain the satisfaction level of users when employing logistics services. To understand this experience, its key factors and critical points, two types of interventions were performed: observational interventions and inquire interventions, where inquire interventions require the employment of a questionnaire or a previous script, based on hypothesis that must be confirmed.



Qualitative research [M1-M6]

- Netnography (ES, DE, IT)
 - End users and logistics consumers; needs&requirements to improve logistics
- Delphi (ES, DE, IT, BE, CZ, PT)
 - Workshop 50 professionals: logistics operators, city managers, mobility agents
 - Interviews (ES) 10 professionals: local business associations, real state agents
 - Questionnaire





500 participants: city planners, operators, local businesses owners and logistics professionals

By observing (observational interventions), we intend to learn about the problems and positive experiences customers have when using logistics services in their daily life, and the context related to this use. Once we learned about customers' problems, we combined this information with the requirements stated by professionals, and inquired them about the reasons, potential interventions, and strategies to overcome today's situation and progress towards a more sustainable logistics operation.

Figure 1 presents an overview of the user research activities performed in UNCHAIN project, jointly with the number of users involved in the UNCHAIN qualitative research, a brief profile description and the countries of the participants included in the study. All these activities are linked, as results generated in the *Qualitative research* have been employed to design the survey associated to the *Quantitative research*.

In the following sections the methodology related to each qualitative intervention and the results generated are presented.

3.1. Qualitative research i: *Netnography* in the living labs.

3.1.1. Methodology description.

To perform the online observation, we have applied *Netnography*². This is an online research method aimed at understanding social interaction in contemporary digital communications contexts.

Netnography uses the assessments and comments occurring in social media platforms as data, substituting the traditional in-person observation techniques by interactions and experiences manifesting through digital communications.

² Robert V. Kozinets (1998), "On *Netnography*: Initial Reflections on Consumer Research Investigations of Cyberculture", in NA - Advances in Consumer Research Volume 25, eds. Joseph W. Alba & J. Wesley Hutchinson, Provo, UT: Association for Consumer Research, Pages: 366-371



The main aim of this *Netnography* intervention has been to analyze the needs of the end user regarding the merchandise delivery and courier sector, through the analysis of online comments and assessments (ratings) in *Google reviews*. The methodology consisted of analysing the comments in this main social network in 3 representative cities in EU that participate in the UNCHAIN project as Living Labs, and are: Berlin (DE), Florence (IT) and Madrid (ES).

The methodological phases followed to perform the *Netnography* have been:

- 1. Utilizing Web Scraping for Gender Identification through tools such as ScrapeHero or Gender API, along with language extraction and detection, as well as comment.
- 2. Number of reviews per year (from 2017 to 2023, see ANNEX 3), to determine the evolution of usage.
- 3. Analysis of textual data (natural language processing) represented in:
 - Sentiment-polarity analysis; classifying the comments as POSITIVE, NEGATIVE, MIXED or NEUTRAL.
 - Analyzing the emotions and the hate/aggressive level of the comments.
 - Word clouds: The word cloud allows us to synthetically view key words, according to their frequency of occurrence.
 - Semantic analysis by manual coding: manual coding consists of reading the set or a representative sample of the answers (around 100 for each city). Corresponding topics and categories are chosen, according to meaning at expert level.
- 4. Extraction of characteristic verbatim: Once the topics of the comments have been identified, the verbatim are extracted to illustrate the topics addressed.

The number of reviews included in the study is higher than 10,000, including 719 reviews in Berlin, 1220 in Florence and 8357 in Madrid. The number of comments collected (a total number of 5,921, 5,015 in Madrid, 520 in Florence and 386 in Berlin) is typically lower than the number of reviews, due to the fact that all the comments are linked to a review, but a review does not imply writing a comment.

A description of the sample considered in the *Netnography* study is presented in Figure 2, Figure 2, and Figure 4.



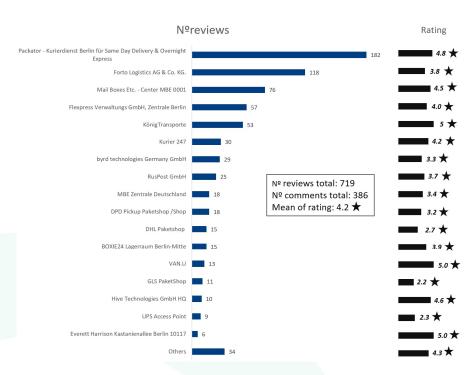


Figure 2: Sample description of the Netnography intervention in Berlin.

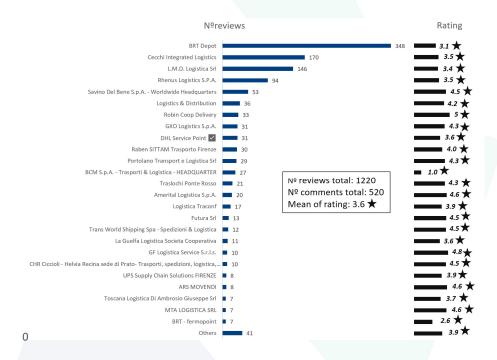


Figure 3: Sample description of the Netnography intervention in Florence.



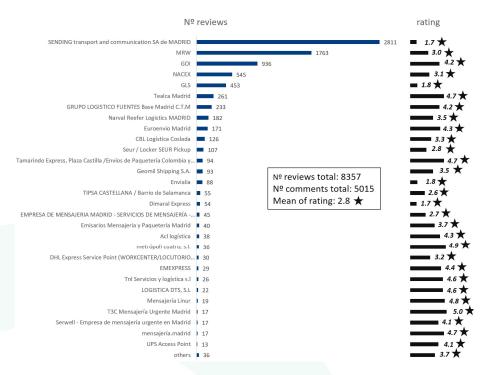


Figure 4: Sample description of the Netnogtaphy intervention in Madrid.

The data for this study was collected during the second half of October 2023 (from week 42 to week 43).

3.1.2. *Netnography* results.

Figure 2, Figure 2, and Figure 4 present the mean values of the ratings for the cities included in the study. While Berlin (mean rating of 4.2, Figure 2) and Florence (mean rating of 3.6, Figure 2) get a positive assessment (values over 3³), Madrid ratings are not so positive (mean rating of 2.8, Figure 4). With these ratings, the mean rating of the study is 3.5, but the sample size differs a lot among the cities. So, if we weigh the mean rating by the number of comments, the new mean value we get for the study is 3.

The local values for the ratings are coherent with the number of positive comments and negative comments. Indeed, Figure 5 shows the amount of positive comments and negative comments for Madrid courier sector, according to natural language processing. In this case, the number of negative comments doubles the number of positive comments, what results in a low rating value.

³ Ratings range from 1 to 5, as users typically rate a service selecting stars: 1 star is the worst assessment, and 5 stars is the best. So, considering this scale, 3 is the mean value for ratings.



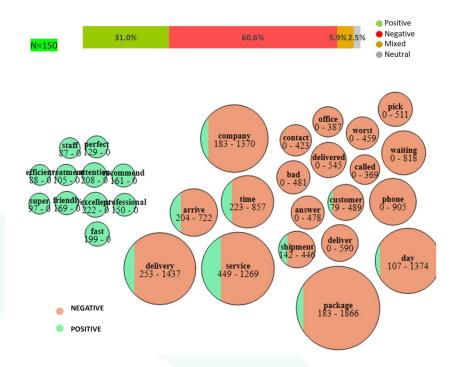


Figure 5: Sentiment analysis for Madrid comments.

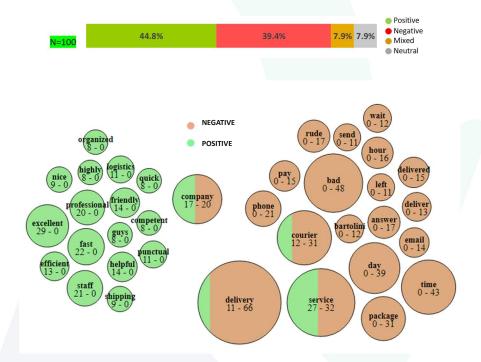


Figure 6: Sentiment analysis for Florence comments.

Figure 5 shows all the terms that are related to the positive and negative comments. Indeed, each bubble includes a word that has been used in a comment. The figures under the word show the number of times this term has been employed in a positive comment (left number) or in a negative comment (right number). Negative comments are mainly related to package,



day, service, delivery, and company. There are also diverse terms that are strictly related to positive comments like attention, excellent or fast, but as corresponds to the rating, two out of three of the terms employed by users are related to negative comments.

The ratio between positive and negative comments is slightly over one for Florence (Figure 6), what it is consistent with the rating (3.6 out of 5). In this case, the amount of terms employed in positive (20) is similar to the amount of terms employed in negative (19). The terms more employed in a positive sense are *excellent*, *fast*, *staff* and *professional*. On the contrary, the terms related to negative aspects of the logistics service are delivery, *bad*, *time*, *service* and *courier*.

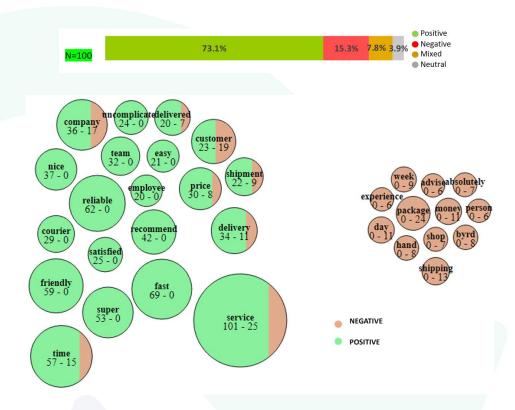


Figure 7: Sentiment analysis for Berlin comments.

The good rating (4.2 out of 5) obtained for courier service in Berlin is coherent with the result shown in the graphs of Figure 7. There are nearly five positive comments for each negative comment, and the terms selected by users to describe the services are mostly employed is a positive way. *Package* is the term employed mostly in a negative sense, and service, *fast*, *friendly*, *reliable* and *time* are related to positive aspects.



Table 1: Main improvements related to Madrid courier service.

1. Improvement in Customer Service:

- To establish an efficient and personal telephone system available to answer calls.
- To train staff in friendly and professional customer service.
- To eliminate automated responses and provide accurate and truthful answers.

2. Punctuality and Reliability in Deliveries:

- To strengthen internal processes to ensure on-time deliveries.
- · To implement a package tracking system to offer precise tracking.
- · Proactively communicate any delivery delays.

3. Service Quality and Professionalism:

- Continuously evaluate and improve internal processes to ensure reliable and professional service.
- To implement a quality control system for deliveries and problem resolution.

4. Transparent Communication:

- To provide accurate information about the status of packages and any changes in delivery.
- To avoid changes in package status without justified reasons.

5. Delivery Improvement:

- To establish clear protocols to ensure smooth deliveries.
- · To respect customer-selected time slots and accommodate requested changes.

The semantic analysis of negative comments allows us to identify the main topics addressed by the customers, when they rate the courier services. The most commented topics are related to the most relevant improvements, companies should implement in order to improve their rating, and consequently, users' satisfaction level. This analysis involves examining a qualitative sample of comments to extract the intended meaning as desired by users (approximately 100 comments per city, as specified in section 3.1.1). The comments are then organized into relevant topics and categories.

Table 2: Main improvements related to Florence courier service.

1. Improvement in Customer Service:

- To establish an efficient customer service system that responds promptly to calls, emails, and chats.
- To train staff in friendly, professional, and empathetic communication.

2. Promotion of Pleasant Interactions:

- To provide training to staff to promote courteous and respectful interactions with customers.
- To reinforce the importance of empathy in all interactions.

3. Punctuality in Deliveries:

- To implement measures to ensure that all deliveries are made within the agreed-upon timeframe.
- To establish tracking and notification protocols in case of delays.

4. Enhancement of Customer Experience:

- To evaluate and improve internal processes to ensure high-quality service.
- To set clear service standards that meet customer expectations.

5. Improvement of Organizational Culture:

- To promote a customer-centric culture where pleasant and professional interactions are a priority.
- To recognize and to reward employees who demonstrate a positive attitude.

Table 1 presents the five most relevant improvements (categories) related to Madrid courier service, according to customers' comments (in bullet points under each corresponding category). The three most relevant improvements demanded by Madrid citizens are related to Customer Service, Reliability in Deliveries and Quality and professionalism.



In the case of Florence, the five most relevant improvements are presented in Table 2. *The Customer Service, the Pleasant Interactions and Punctuality* are the three most relevant improvements demanded by Florence citizens.

For Berlin, Table 3 presents the five most relevant improvements according to customers' comments. The *Quality-Price Ratio*, the *Customer Service* and *Punctuality* are the three most relevant improvements demanded by Berlin citizens.

Table 3: Main improvements related to Berlin courier service.

1. Quality-Price Ratio Optimization:

- · Conduct a comprehensive analysis of costs and tariffs to ensure competitive pricing relative to the market.
- Offer flexible rate options that cater to different customer needs.

2. Improved Customer Service:

- Establish an efficient customer service system that responds promptly to calls, emails, and inquiries.
- Implement clear protocols for addressing customer inquiries and issues.

3. Punctuality in Deliveries:

- Set up planning and route tracking processes to ensure timely deliveries.
- Implement notification systems to keep customers informed about the status of their deliveries.

4. Overall Service Improvement:

- Evaluate and enhance internal processes to ensure high-quality service at all stages.
- Conduct periodic satisfaction surveys to gather customer feedback and address areas of dissatisfaction.

5. Delivery Management Improvement:

- Implement advanced tracking and tracing systems to minimize the risk of lost packages.
- Establish clear protocols for handling undelivered or lost packages.

Regarding the gender analysis of the whole sample, there are no significant differences⁴ between men and women in sentiment in the comments and levels of extreme negativity (hate), as shown in Figure 8.

However, women tend to discuss topics such as *package*, *waiting*, *delivered*, or *absent*, while men mention more frequently topics such as *service*, *company*, *shipment*, or *hour*.

⁴ Significant differences have been established by applying a Pearson's Chi-squared test to the datasets.



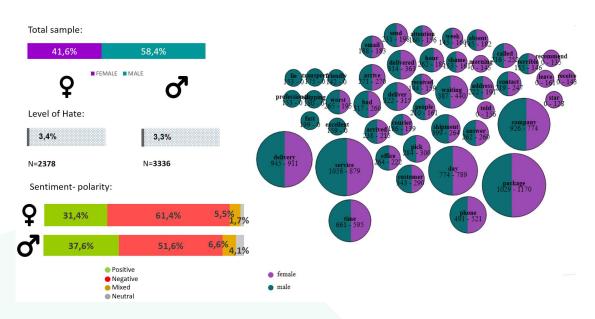
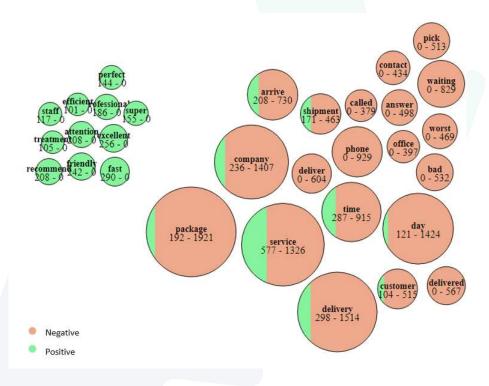


Figure 8: Gender differences in the service courier assessment.

The analysis of the whole sample shown in Figure 9 reveals the differences among the size of the sample in the cities, and the negative comments are prevalent due to Madrid result. Regardless, if we focus on the three main improvements, we found they are coherent with the results in cities: *Customer service* is the first improvement in Madrid-Florence and the second in Berlin, *Punctuality* in the second in Madrid and the third in Berlin-Florence, and *Quality-Price* ratio is the first in Berlin.





1. Improved Customer Service:

- To establish an efficient and responsive system available to promptly handle calls, emails, and chats
- 2. To implement clear protocols for resolving customer inquiries and issues.
- 3. To train staff in friendly, professional, and empathetic communication.
- To eliminate scripted responses and provide accurate and truthful answers.

2. Punctuality and Reliability in Deliveries:

- 1. To reinforce internal processes to ensure timely deliveries within the appropriate timeframe.
- To implement a package tracking and notification system to provide precise tracking and notify customers of any delays.
- 3. Proactively communicate any delivery delays.

3. Quality-Price Ratio Optimization:

- To conduct a comprehensive analysis of costs and tariffs to ensure competitive pricing relative to the market.
- 2. To offer flexible pricing options that cater to different customer needs.

4. Promotion of Friendly Interactions:

- 1. To provide training to staff to promote courteous and respectful interactions with customers.
- 2. To emphasize the importance of empathy in all interactions.

5. Service Quality and Professionalism Enhancement:

- To evaluate and improve internal processes to ensure high-quality service at all stages, maintaining a reliable and professional service.
- To conduct periodic satisfaction surveys to gather customer feedback and address areas of dissatisfaction.
- 3. To implement quality control in deliveries and issue resolution.

Figure 9: Sentiment analysis of the whole sample.

ANNEX 3 presents all the results generated in the Netnography analysis.

3.2. Qualitative research ii: Delphi questionnaire with professionals.

3.2.1. Methodology description.

To capture the professional perspective when dealing with improvements in logistics operation, we have applied the Delphi methodology^{5.} This methodology foresees the participation of professionals and experts, who answer questions related to the state of the art of a technology, and how this technology is evolving.

Considering that the UNCHAIN consortium includes representatives of the most relevant entities participating in logistics (local administrations, logistics companies, technology developers, consultancy and research institutions), we have worked with these professionals, following the Delphi methodology. To enrich the results generated in this qualitative intervention, and with the idea of having the professional perspective of all the entities that will be involved in the demonstration of the project KERs (*Key Exploitable Results*). To broaden the perspective, we also included the participation of the members of Madrid use cases by performing a specific workshop session with local agents (Figure 11).

⁵ https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Delphi_method



DELPHI 1ST ROUND: DIAGNOSIS OF URBAN LOGISTCS METHODOLOGY (i)



Figure 10: Distribution of groups, and results presentation in the workshop with project partners.

For this purpose, we proposed the application of the Delphi methodology in two rounds. In the first round we worked separately with the UNCHAIN consortium members, and with the *Madrid Use Case* local agents (Figure 11). With the consortium members we performed an inperson workshop during the project *Kick off Meeting* (Figure 10). All the consortium members were distributed in two different groups (approximately twelve people per group), working on a flip chart, in which the stoppers, values and recommendations to improve logistics recommendations were identified by the different participants.





To know the current product/package/courier reception, distribution

Figure 11: Main objectives of the interviews with the Madrid Use Case local agents.

To enrich the results generated in the workshop, we arrange interviews with local agents of the *Madrid Use Cases*, with the support of the partners from Madrid Council. In these interviews, we intended to get information about the *current logistic processes* in the city, but also about *stoppers* and *recommendations* to improve the processes. A total number of 45 professionals participated in the first round of the Delphi intervention.

The analysis of the collected data in Delphi's first round, allowed the generation of the second-round questionnaire (ANNEX 4), aimed to validate the main statements derived from this analysis. The questionnaire was distributed through SurveyMonkey6 platform, among consortium partners. A total number of 15 professionals participated in the Delphi's second round. The most relevant results related to this qualitative intervention are presented in the following section. Besides this, the complete results collection is included in ANNEX 5¡Error! No se encuentra el origen de la referencia..

3.2.2. Delphi results.

The flip charts generated in the workshop attended by the consortium members were reviewed, extracting all the contributions and putting them together in a digital format. As stated in the previous section, the 1st round of the Delphi were participated by:

- Two groups of project partners during the Kick of Meeting of UNCHAIN project in Brussels (May 2023), and
- An additional working group of 15 local stakeholders from Madrid use cases.

Since the flip charts consisted of notes each participant posted, the contributions of both working groups were put together and split into three tables, as shown in Table 4, i.e: (i) Stoppers, (ii) Values and (iii) Recommendations. Having all the contributions together allowed us to analyse them. As a result of this analysis, the contributions were organised by categories and main topics.

⁶ https://es.surveymonkey.com/



Table 4: Stoppers-Values-Recommendations organized by the defined categories, generated in the workshop.

STOPPERS Need to align strategies SUMP-SULP, New solutions are often not profitable; only pilots, Confusing regulation, Different regulation, Lack of modern regulation, No ac to change legislation and administrative regulation, Hard to define the necessity and subject of procurement, Policy coherence across sectors, Conflict with econom nobody wants regulations, KPI must be declined to measure success of framework goals, Dynamic change in patterns and stakeholders; hard to define regulation, Li budget & manpower/personnel, No political support, Outdated regulations, Inflexible regulations, Inadequate enforcement traffic regulation, Missing Public management & knowledge&capacities in administration, Lack of trust to municipality about effect of data sharing, Restrictive regulation; cargo bike vs. pedestrians, Last mile deliver active mobility, SULP as part of SUMP, Traffic regulations, Approach by city managers often/too many times driven by electoral needs, Lack of regulation, Missing link transportation planning vs. urban planning, No awareness on logistics by urban planners, No legal regulation to enforce, for example, loading zones, Shared space wi Legislation public and private mobility active modes, Public administrations have limited skills&resources No space dedicated to complex deliveries solutions, Lack of loading/unloading areas, Lack of available space, Delivery companies competition for space: lockers, UCI hubs, More micro-logistic hubs needed; lack of space and facilities, Lack of public surface on central/old districts, Matching needs/spaces, Not enough space for all r Infrastructure Infrastructure competition (different uses and demands, e.g. on streets, parking), Limited energy alternative infrastructure availability, Availability of space; space cowith other land uses, Location of UCC; dedicated spaces for logistics, Lack of space; fight for space. No sustainability culture, Need to reduce the home delivery and to increase the lockers or shops' deliveries, Cultural heritage boundaries; Unesco area, Commitme Sustainability sustainable companies, Sustainability makes it more difficult. Micro-size companies in logistics; difficult to reach, Enterprises and companies do not want to share info, No willingness to cooperate by involved stakeholders, Confidential, Accessibility of available data limited (data ownership), LSPs not prepared to share data, Competitors, Load/Unload area is never enough, Big vehicles Business EVs are expensive: the range, Data is companies' asset: value for them. Involvement of private sectors in the process, No common idea about the future, Local market operators too fragmented; small operators, Failure in the hourly regulated from off/pick up spaces (non compliance), Logistics is not prioritized, Access to city centre, LEZ in cities, Everyone thinks about its own future, Public Private Partnership Protocols&agreements between public and private sector, Land is private to a large extent, Mixed private-public logistics policies on same limited infrastructure, Lac interest in logistics by society&investors. Framework must be monitored automatically, Data needed: demand, usage, capacity (of infrastructure), No systematic approach to data monitoring, No frame solution) to share data in a safe&confident way, Data silos, Planning on available data (limited knowledge on demand, ...), Data on land use only available with differ scope, GDPR compliance, Interoperability of data, Interoperable data are expensive, Public data proxies' logistics. Smart City VALUES To have a clear guidelines vision; top-down approach, Possibility to implement policy, Political buy-in, A good new ordinance to allow this change encourage this change, Main driver: restrictions on car-use, Participatory process in defining SUMP, Alignment with mobility planning, housing, activities and overall, urban plans, New SULP in place with concrete targets and monitoring obligation, To define data-based policy, Making the Public management & (un)loading zones obligatory, To reduce space for private car and to increase for other uses Legislation Structural approach instead of project based, Land use for city hubs, micro-hubs, lockers, New loading and unloading zones, Temporary land-us depots, Micro-logistic hubs, Optimal location of hubs/UCCs; less congestion, costs, wasted time, Shared spaces for different actors, Distribution Infrastructure Sustainability LEZs protect the cities consolidation, Increased awareness about the challenge, Consumers' choice; less polluting operators, Increase of under situation among citizens, New small electric and narrow vehicles Logistics operators, Incentives, Better understand logistic flows and to know where and how to intervene, Data driven planning, IT-based mode Business demand for micro-depots. To have more data implies potential more knowledge of city context; better optimization; cost reduction, Socio-econol Flexible approach, Fulfil strategic goals, Open discussion with main operators, Common goal to be achieved, Public councils open discussion, To understand **Public Private** better, Self benefit (trust), Take advantage from the amount of data publicly available; the so called high value data sets. Partnership Looking into the future solutions and not only into existing problems, To make a similar technology that is able to make the change in any city, Smart City monitor&analyse policy in a quantitative way, Logistics operation services have decent digital platforms for end users, Connected car; V2G data for professionals to book the needed space, Research-assisted demand evaluation, Monitorization of public spaces Common regulation across Europe, To make it obligatory, Subsidies for the writing&implementation of SULP, Shared governance model, To mal actions measurable, Evaluate measures adopted by cities; SUMP/SULPs; development, Standardization, Common technology and data type (fr management & companies, cities, EU), To make data sharing obligatory; couple it to UVARs, To insert logistics needs for last mile delivery to discussions about designs, Create awareness with urban planners, Give guidance to urban planners, To make (un)loading zones&hubs obligatory, Smart and ada Legislation use regulation, Logistics considered as a part of urban planning rather than a problem to be solved afterwards. Gain knowledge; planning of UCCs; optimization, New micro-logistic hub with same technology and facilities across EU, Optimised network of Infrastructure logistics infrastructure, To identify in SULPs mobility hubs in city centres; surroundings areas, possibly shared by multiple operators OEM market evolution (lowing vehicle prices), Raise awareness on the environmental impact (e.g. express courier), Awareness on the impact foligistic system by all the actors and end users included, Active delivery (customer moves), Different types of vehicles, More sustainable, low en Sustainability particular to entry in city centre, Well structured and organized user-oriented. Incentives for companies following good practices, Never forget local commerce, helping them to be involved, To overcome data silos, share data **Business** stakeholders, Business models for data sharing, Data brokerage; stewardship logistics data; 3rd party To involve different city departments and also citizens and private sector, if possible, To facilitate research project with private operators, To ens Public Private collaboration in technical groups with logistic operators&cities consultancies, No top-down decision, Realistic and simple strategies, Real involve stakeholders (collaborative), To implement protocols&agreement to facilitate data exchange with private sector (e.g. aggregated or anonymised) Partnership sharing for public services. Better communications on needs of logistics, To monitor KPI for SULP effectiveness consistently, To support research based data acquisition, i more visibility, To create an European IT platform that can be used in different countries cities, Easily accessible singular platform for informatio sharing, To develop successful pilot app proving benefit for operators, Connection in real time with vehicles, hubs, governments, companies, To Smart City needs (for improvements); more data quality, more better decisions, Use of digital twins (e.g. Lead project), Constantly re-assess situation ba



As shown in Table 4, the categories identified that grouped all the contributions are:

- Public management & Legislation,
- Infrastructure,
- Sustainability,
- Business,
- Public Private Partnership and
- Smart City.

The Table 4 presents the statements belonging to each category.

The number of contributions collected suggests that the inadequate *Public Management & Legislation* and the lack of appropriate Infrastructure are the main urban logistics barriers today (Table 4). Following this rationale, the next level of barriers are *Public Private Partnership*, Smart City and *Business* related to data sharing. Sustainability seems to be a low-level barrier.

Regarding values, *Public Management & Legislation* is the most relevant strength of urban logistics; the main barrier arises also as the main facilitator to change nowadays situation. In addition, *Infrastructure* and *Public Private Partnership* to generate *Business* related to data share in the context of the *Smart City* seem to be important assets for the urban logistics.

Regarding recommendations, *Public Management & Legislation* appears again as the main factor. These results suggest that public administration has the key to change a market, which main actors (enterprises) demand new infrastructures and digital resources to move towards a more sustainable scenario.

The results generated in the interviews with the Madrid use case local agents are presented in Table 5. The categories used to group the contribution are the same presented in Table 4, but the interviews focused on describing the *Current Process* of urban logistics, identifying *Stoppers* and *Recommendations*.

The main findings derived from the interviews with Madrid local agents are related to recommendations to improve the urban logistics. Specifically, *Public Management & Legislation* could contribute by developing common city logistics regulations in the European area. These regulations should be dynamic (not rigid), and adapted to different criteria like the type of product, delivery schedule or the tonnage of the vehicle.



Table 5: Current Process-Values-Recommendations, generated in the interviews with local agents from Madrid.

To regulate the use of the bus lane by agreement until 8:00 a.m. or the established time, To be very strict with schedules if issuing fines, To regulate the use of pedes zones by agreement, To define loading/unloading schedules based on the type of product (e.g. food) to coordinate the work and foresee priorities of use, according to product, Do not use the average delivery as a regulation measure (segment), Regulate night delivery from 12:00 p.m. and 7:00 a.m. in areas that do not affect the neighborhood, To provide for stock warehouse spaces (the delivery person leaves the parcel, digital delivery note signed and picked up by the customer at another tit To regulate that the product is left at the door of the premises, without access to the basement or attic; difficult because the customer do not want it, but this would resoccupational risks reduction, and delivery fines reduction, To regulate where heavy merchandise can be stored (at street level or warehouse next to it); it would make delivery faster and safer, Flexible control, To prioritize schedules according to delivery typology; in the morning, from 7:00 to 12:30, food, pharmacy and press; half de equipment, furniture; afternoon fashion, accessories. To unify municipal regulations to have a framework with certainty; knowing whether or not you comply with the regulations. Regulations according to neighborhood typology. Public management & Legislation regulations, Regulations according to neighborhood typology To monitor where the vehicle is, in real time, Being able to book a loading/unloading space, flexible in time occupancy, To use parking lots for small vehicles (at cert hours), To use blue and green parking lots for loading/unloading, To enable parking areas in the perimeter of difficult-to-access neighborhoods, HUBS in perimeter a and from there to deliver with electric vehicle through a shared platform. Infrastructure OEM market evolution (vehicle prices reduction), To raise awareness on the environmental, LEZs protect the cities consolidation, To increase awareness about the logistics needs, To carry out complex analisys of what the improvement in CO₂ (reduction) implies; e.g. a heavy vehicle, even being diesel, if it is allowed to remain i same loading/unloading space for the time it needs, reduces pollution because it travels almost no kilometers and does not generate traffic congestion, To create spermits for access of unlabeled vehicles, implementation of a network of shared platforms with clean vehicles for last mile delivery. Sustainability Incentives for companies following good practices, Never forget local commerce, helping them to be involved, To provide deadlines and facilities to make changes in type of vehicle and felet renewal. Transporters within 5 years of retiring who do not have to change their vehicle (extensions), To strengthen common delivery areas (klosks, small businesses...), To reduce home delivery, Commerce as a delivery point, Associations as delivery managers of the last mile delivery. Business To involve different city departments and also citizens and private sector, To promote dialogue to search for solutions, To include logistics companies in the search for solutions, Direct interlocution with city council directors, To be able to coordinate and to integrate with urban planners, To work with the municipal police to identify the location of loading/unloading areas, The delivery people want to collaborate to speed up the processe (but they do not want to be harmed, control / inspection), Registration, type of vehicle, and environmental certification are already share by logistics companies; other data of their own could be shared if the city council gives Public Private Partnership data to improve their delivery route. Smart City loading/unloading area (contrast with apps from cities that already have them in place). **STOPPERS** Don't give a clear guidelines, Fines related toexceed the established loading/unloading time, The loading/unloading time must be regulated by tonnage Parcel delivery operators can use shared areas (parking lots, different resources depending on weight and size...), Uncertainty by unclear regulation, C Parties delivery operators can use shared areas (parking loss, different resources depending on weight and size.", Ordertainly by unclear regulation, councils must address the needs of logistics (not all the product delivered is the same). The lack of proper legislation has consequences for professions and society, Lack of coordination between municipalities, Dispersed regulations and lack of equity in the delivery requirements, Legislation is different in each city and there is no common framework (what is legal in one city could be illegal in other), The legislation that applies to delivery vehicles is similar that applied to private vehicles; different one is required, The rules are very inflexible (not adapted to delivery typology), During the first hours of the day loading/unloading areas are saturated, There are access restrictions (LEZs), Some vehicles, due to tonnage, cannot access the downtown district. Public management & Legislation No space dedicated to complex deliveries, Lack of loading/unloading areas. Lack of available space, Loading/unloading areas not in accordance with the size and load of the vehicles, Better distribution of loading/unloading areas to minimize last mile delivery, To restrict the use of these spaces only for loading/unloading, To monitor real time location is rejected, as it could be employed to fine professionals, There is no space to leave the load in the ab of commerce, The reduction in lanes has to be compensated with more loading/unloading areas Sustainability To have to move the truck due to lack of flexibility in parking time, on loading/unloading areas; this results in more km driven, The indicators to assess logistics processes are very limited and do not adjust to the activity; other ways to reduce emissions must be explored. Diesel vehicles are consumption competitive with hybrids vehicles Better understanding of logistic flows to know where and how to intervene, Difficulties in carrying out other loading and unloading tasks such as revers logistics, Removals have the same treatment as transportation and distribution (they cannot usually comply with schedules as they are parked the whol day), The construction sector is having problems (restricted hours + ecological vehicle); they have to leave at 5 p.m. when perhaps they would have fini in 2 hours and they are forced to return for another day. Business Logistics operators do not participate in decision making regarding the regulation of logistics activities, Lack of tolerance in logistics activities, Lack of understanding of their needs, The distribution generates inconvenience to citizens that must be taken into account (noise, deterioration of the paveme **Public Private** Partnership congestion, reduction of space...). In the city there is very little tolerance for distribution and logistics work, Problems of coexistence with the mobility of citizens, Route apps generate dor Fear that the app measures have a supervisory objective. Smart City To regulate the use of the bus lane by agreement until 8:00 a.m. or the established time. 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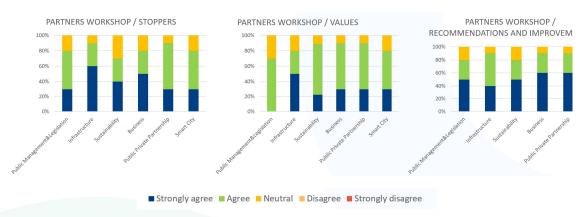


Figure 12: Agreement level with the results generated in the workshop during the UNCHAIN Kick of Meeting

Regarding *Infrastructure*, the urban logistics necessitates to increase the types of loading and unloading areas considered in the urban environment, developing priority use's policies for each type of zone, according to criteria like the product, delivery time or the tonnage of vehicle used.

Sustainability should consider criteria adapted to the characteristics of the products and type of vehicle used, such as the ecological footprint related to the whole process, or the consideration of impact on traffic congestion.

From the point of view of Business, to support the logistics operations with data (e.g., to send in advance requirements to be met for delivery in a given area, conditions to book a loading/unloading area, or priorities related to the type of product/schedule), the real-time information on traffic or route management are very relevant. The *Public Private Partnership* involves creating logistics regulation and management processes agreed with companies, and the Smart City has to incorporate logistics activities into mobility policies in order to improve coexistence with citizens.

The 2nd round of the Delphi questionnaire was focused on defining the agreement level with the main conclusions and findings identified in the previous stage. These conclusions and findings are those presented in the precedent paragraphs, as shown in the questionnaire shown in ANNEX 4.

Figure 12 shows the agreement level with the topics (categories) that are the main *Stoppers-Values-Improvements* for urban logistics. To pinpoint these topics as the most relevant for urban logistics is shared by all participants (no users disagrees with the identified conclusions).



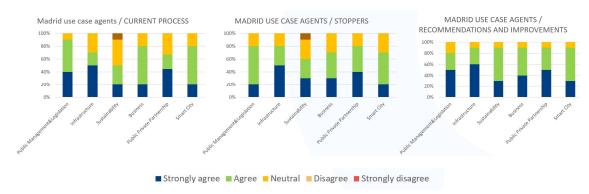


Figure 13: Agreement level with the results generated in the interviews.

Regarding Stoppers, (Figure 12) two topics are the ones which accumulate higher agreement level: Infrastructure and Public Private Partnership. For Values, Infrastructure presents a lower agreement level, and Infrastructure, Sustainability, Business, and Public Private Partnership are identified as the most relevant. On Improvements' side, Infrastructure, Business, Public Private Partnership are the topics concentrating higher agreement level.

Infrastructure and Public Private Partnership emerge as critical topics, as they are considered Stoppers, but also Values and Improvements. This reveals the need to provide urban logistics with dedicated infrastructures, managed in close collaboration with the public administration.

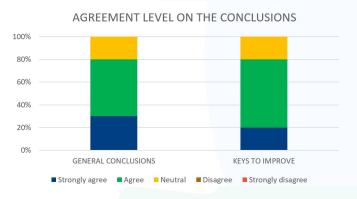


Figure 14: Agreement level with the general conclusions and key improvements of Delphi intervention.

Figure 13 shows the agreement level with the topics (categories) that describe the *Current Process*, and are the main *Stoppers-Improvements* for urban logistics. To pinpoint these topics as the most relevant for urban logistics is shared by all participants (no users disagrees with the identified conclusions), except a disagree regarding *Sustainability* (Figure 13).



Table 6: General conclusions and key improvements derived from Delphi intervention.

DELPHI 1ST ROUND: DIAGNOSIS OF URBAN LOGISTCS CONCLUSIONS (i)

- Considering the amount of contributions, the results suggest the inadequate Public
 Management&Legislation and the lack of appropriate Infrastructure are the main UL barriers today.
- Following this rationale, the next level of barriers are Public Private Partnership, Smart City and Business related to data sharing. Sustainability seems to be a low level barrier.
- Regarding values, *Public Management&Legislation* is the most relevant strength of UL; the main barrier arises also as the main facilitator to change nowadays situation.
- Infrastructure and Public Private Partnership to generate Business related to data share in the context
 of the Smart City seem to be important assets for the UL.
- Regarding recommendations, Public Management&Legislation appears again as the main factor.
- These results suggest that public administration has the key to change a market, which main actors demand new infrastructures and digital resources to move towards a more sustainable scenario.

DELPHI 1ST ROUND: DIAGNOSIS OF URBAN LOGISTCS CONCLUSIONS (ii)

Specifically, some keys to improve these areas would be:

- Public Management&Legislation: To develop common regulations in the European area, dynamic (not rigid) and based on the type of product, schedule (regulation) and tonnage of the vehicle.
- Infrastructure: To increase the typologies of loading and unloading areas and to develop priority use policies
 for each type of zone, according to the product, delivery time (logistics process) and tonnage of vehicle
 used.
- Sustainability: To consider sustainability criteria adapted to the characteristics of the products and type of vehicle used, which defines the type of delivery, with compensatory criteria (pollutes more but makes fewer trips, ecological footprint vs. impact on traffic congestion).
- Business: To develop solutions that support the logistics operations (e.g., to send in advance information
 about requirements to be met for delivery in a given area, conditions to book a loading/unloading area,
 priorities related to the type of product/schedule), real-time information on traffic and route management.
- Public Private Partnership: To create logistics regulation and management processes agreed with companies.
- Smart City: To incorporate logistics activities into mobility policies, to improve coexistence with citizens.

The topics that better describe the *Current Process* are *Public Management & Legislation, Business* and *Smart City*. Regarding *Stoppers, Public Management & Legislation, Infrastructure* and *Public Private Partnership* are the most relevant for consortium partners. On *Improvements'* side, all the topics are relevant for the participants.

In the assessment of interviews results, the topic which arises as critical is the *Public Management & Legislation*. These results are not identical to the one obtained for workshop results, but it is closely related. Indeed, public management involvement is necessary to make available infrastructures for urban logistics, managed collaboratively between private sector and public sector.

Figure 14 shows the high agreement level that participants exhibit with the general conclusions and the key improvements presented in the Delphi intervention (Table 6).



4. Quantitative research: survey.

4.1. Survey design and definition.

In order to obtain the relative weight of the most relevant aspects related to urban logistics improvements identified through the qualitative research, we performed a survey in seven different countries. These countries are those represented in the UNCHAIN consortium by pilot sites: Berlin-Germany, Florence-Italy, Madrid-Spain, Funchal-Portugal, Mechelen-Belgium, Prague-Czech Republic, and Riga-Latvia.

The survey is addressed to professionals that are the main actors of urban logistics in these seven EU countries, i.e., Public administration & Logistics regulator, Logistics planner, Logistics manager & Distribution manager, Delivery person & dealer (delivery employee), Big retailer (distribution to private customer), and Small retailer (distribution to private customer). As shown in ANNEX 6, additionally to the country of origin, different demographic variables such as age, gender, or professional profile have been employed to get the participants characterization. According to the DoA document, the target size of the sample was 500 participants, distributed among all the participant countries.

The survey (ANNEX 6), created from the results generated in the qualitative research, includes 22 questions, distributed in six sections (including the user characterization). The questions have been created according to the results generated in the qualitative research, and address the following topics:

- User characterization
- 2. Delivery mode characterization,
- 3. Logistics quality (importance and satisfaction),
- 4. Potential improvements during the route,
- 5. Potential improvements during park and deliver, and
- Other aspects to improve the logistics.



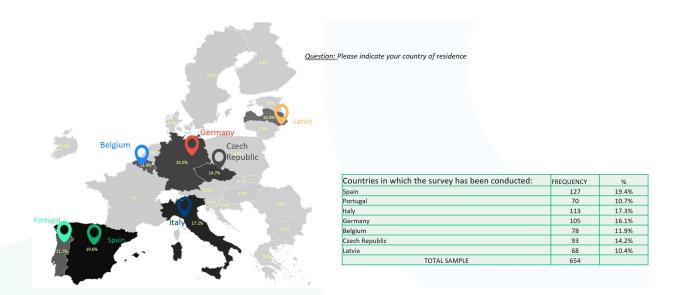


Figure 15: Description of the study sample.

The total sample comprises **654 participants**, distributed across the 7 countries as presented in Figure 15. Participants from each country vary in percentage, although a minimum participation rate of 10% per country has been achieved.

The sample distribution is shown in Figure 16. The participants' age follows a normal distribution, and the gender distribution is not equally balanced as the rate of male participants (65.9%) doubles the rate of females. This gender distribution has not been imposed by survey's design, and considering our target population are professionals, it could be related to the nowadays situation in the logistics sector¹.

Geographically, the sample is concentrated in major cities within the studied countries, including their respective capitals and the UNCHAIN's pilot sites, i.e., Madrid, Prague, Berlin, Riga, Florence, Lisbon, Funchal, Brussels, Loulé, Porto, Siena, Rome, Pisa, and Livorno. This approach ensures a diverse representation of locations.



Figure 16: Sample distribution.



Although initially it was planned to get the required sample of participants through the contact list of the UNCHAIN project partners, in order to ensure the size and the quality of the sample we bought users' panels. These users' panels have been provided by Cint7. A user panel is a group of target users, who match the characteristic of the sample defined for a survey. The participants should match the professional profile defined for the study, what in practice means a limitation in the guaranteed amount of survey's respondents, so we had to adjust our requirements to our objective sample size in each country.

The survey was launched at the beginning of November 2023 (November ^{8th}), and responses were collected nearly for the entire month (December 4th, 2023). In the following section we present the main results obtained from the survey, although a complete collection of these results can be found in ANNEX 7.

4.2. Analysis and results.

4.2.1. Delivery mode characterization (for logistics professionals).

Figure 17 presents the results we get when asking the type of product mainly distributed by a delivery person during its journey. The results are ordered from most widely distributed products, in descending order. In terms of frequency, the most widely distributed products are electronic devices and computing, metallurgy and construction, and food, drink, catering (distribution to point of sale). There is a second block of products including Textile, Pharmacy, Household items, and e-commerce deliveries.

⁷ https://www.cint.com/



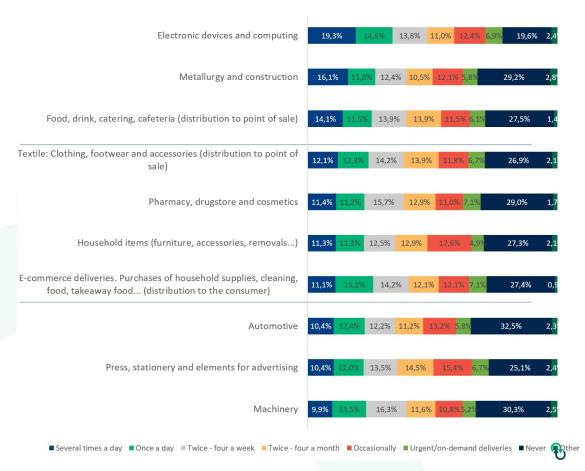


Figure 17: Type of product mainly distributed.

These results suggest that the most delivered products have big volume and are heavy. Indeed, *Metallurgy and construction*, and *Food, drink, catering, cafeteria* are among the most delivered products, while e-commerce is at the tail of the second block. But results presented in Figure 19 reveal that although the heavy deliveries are very relevant, the medium load deliveries and the light deliveries are prevalent.

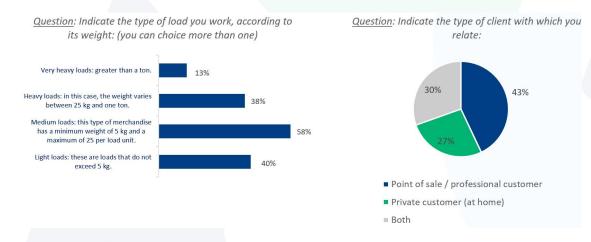


Figure 18: Most common deliveries per type of load and per type of customer.



According to Figure 19, medium weight deliveries and light weight deliveries double the heavy deliveries, although the amount of heavy deliveries is very relevant.

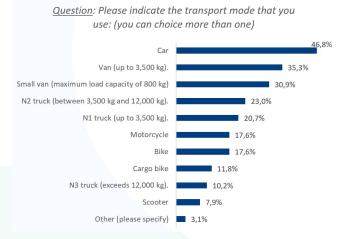


Figure 19: Most common deliveries by Type of load, Type of client and Transport mode.

If we consider the type of client (Figure 19), deliveries for professionals are prevalent over private customer, what evidences the how important logistics supplying businesses like shops and restaurants are.

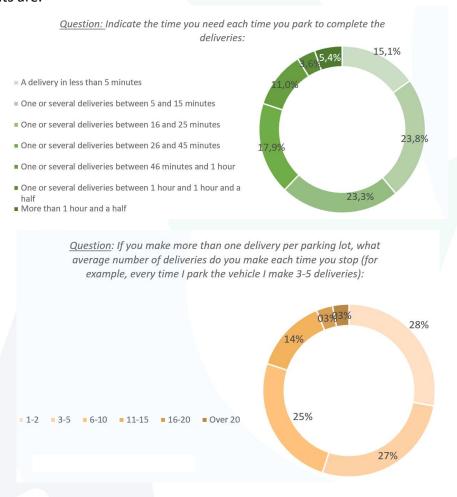


Figure 20: Time per stop and average number of deliveries per stop.



Figure 19 shows the variety of vehicles employed in daily logistics, covering from bikes to different size vans. This bar diagram also reveals that cars, vans and trucks (small and medium) are the most common vehicles employed in urban logistics. According to this, the length of the trucks and vans up to 3,500 kg should be considered as a reference for logistics parking lots.

Figure 20 presents the results related to the time consumed per stop to make deliveries in a neighbourhood, and the number of deliveries related to each stop. 40% of respondents need 15 minutes or even less per stop, while other 40% require between 16 and 45 minutes. This result could be considered as a reference to define the booking time per delivery in dedicated parking lots for logistics, due to the fact that 80% of delivery persons need between 5 minutes and 45 minutes to complete their deliveries. In addition, it could also be considered in the development of the services within WP5 (Operational and management services).

Regarding the amount of deliveries per stop, the diagram of Figure 20 shows that 80% of participants claim to make between 1 and 10 deliveries in each stop. Other 14% of the participants make between 11 and 15 deliveries per stop, so making more than 15 deliveries per stop is very unusual in urban logistics.

4.2.2. Logistics service quality

Figure 21 presents the results related to the main challenges that logistics is facing nowadays. The main issues according to average points (*O-Does not apply, 1-Secondary incidence, 2-Main incidence, 3-Crititcal incidence*)⁸, have been bounded by a dotted rectangle. The main difficulties that logistics professionals have to manage in their daily duties are all related to *traffic management and loading/unloading areas* (size, occupancy, accessibility, quantity, etc.). There are other relevant aspects related to *failed deliveries* or *the reduction of street lane*, but the main challenges are related to reduce the impact of traffic congestion in the deliveries, and the provision of areas dedicated to logistic processes.

Regarding logistics requirements, Figure 22 presents them, ranking its importance. The diagram highlights the six better rated requirements according to average points (0 points for *Not applicable* answer, and 5 points for *Essential* answer), and five out of six are related to customer satisfaction. Indeed, *Delivery of the product in good condition, Customer satisfaction, Delivery without order confusion, Communication with the customer,* and *Delivery of the product at the agreed time (punctuality)* are related to service quality, and consequently to user satisfaction. The *Safety process for the* operator, which is also part of the better rated requirements, is related to the working conditions of the delivery persons. Other relevant aspects of the logistics processes, as presented in Figure 22, are the regulatory compliance,

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⁸ Although the scale of this question is unique for this study, it was considered by the authors to be the most appropriate scale to assess this tonic



and the tools availability to manage the unexpected events, like having an *Alternative delivery* point, or the Incidence management.

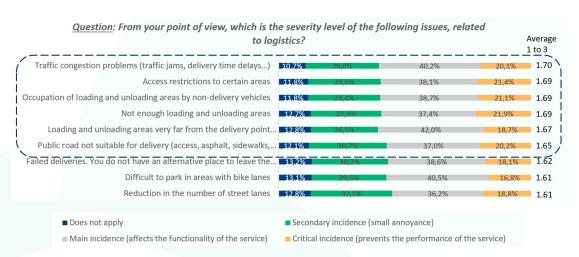


Figure 21: Logistics related challenges.

Both questions feature Likert scales, comprising 3 and 5 points, respectively, along with an additional option for "not applicable".

Likert scales are widely employed in research and surveys due to their flexibility in measuring attitudes and opinions. Featuring graded response options ranging from positive to negative, Likert scales enable respondents to express their degree of agreement or disagreement, facilitating the collection of quantitative data. The inclusion of neutral options allows for a nuanced representation of diverse responses. This method is versatile, finding applications in psychology, sociology, education, and health research. Likert scales simplify data interpretation and enable statistical analyses, including the calculation of averages and standard deviations. Overall, Likert scales provide a structured and quantifiable means to assess perceptions and attitudes across various fields.

⁹ Adams, J. (2019). "The Role of Likert Scales in Survey Research." Journal of Research Methods, 14(3), 123-137. doi:10.1234/jrm.2019.1234567890.



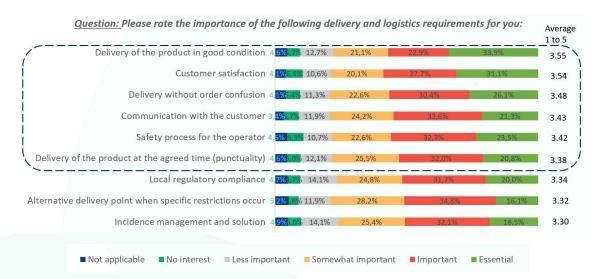


Figure 22: Most important delivery and logistics requirements.

The satisfaction level with the logistics requirements (Figure 23) reveals a high level of correlation with the importance. Indeed, *Delivery of the product in good condition* and *Customer satisfaction* are coincident as the most relevant requirements by importance and satisfaction. In addition, *Delivery without order confusion, Communication with customer* and *Safety process for the operator* are included in the group of better rated requirements by importance and satisfaction.



Figure 23: Satisfaction level with the logistics requirements.





Figure 24: Importance vs. Satisfaction in logistics requirements.

The correlation between *Importance* and *Satisfaction* for logistics requirements is presented in *Figure 24*. The graph clearly shows the high correlation level between *Delivery of the product in good condition* and *Customer satisfaction*, but also reveals what stands out as less important and less properly solved. Indeed, *Reduce noise* and *Reduce CO*₂ have the lower satisfaction level, and the lower importance level. These two topics emerge as relevant improvement factors for the urban logistics.

4.2.3. Potential improvements during the route.

In the three remaining subsections, the questions were linked with the UNCHAIN services (KERs), those that will be developed in the WP4. Urban logistics services marketplace: Urban planning and policy making and in WP5. Urban logistics services marketplace: Space management and operation.



Table 7: Requirements highly impacted by services focused on traffic management.

WHAT AND HOW MATRIX	DATA STANDARDISATION	PLANNING KIT	ACTIVE UVARs	ROUTE PLANNING	NOT APPLICABLE / No solution generates a positive impact on this requirement
Fastest and safest route to deliver a parcel	31.0%	30.0%	23.7%	40.1%	5.5%
Efficiency of the route to reach the delivery	31.070	30.070	23.770	40.170	3.370
point (the last km)	25.9%	34.0%	25.9%	37.7%	5.7%
Time in delivering the product (loading and					
unloading)	27.4%	33.2%	26.4%	32.1%	7.1%
Delivery of the product in good condition	24.4%	33.8%	27.8%	25.9%	12.3%
Delivery of the product at the agreed time					
(punctuality)	25.2%	34.0%	27.0%	36.6%	7.7%
Safety process for the operator	25.3%	32.9%	28.0%	28.8%	11.0%
Customer satisfaction	25.9%	33.3%	27.4%	30.8%	9.4%
Local regulatory compliance	26.1%	30.5%	31.9%	25.8%	10.1%
Delivery on the first try	23.0%	32.9%	27.4%	33.2%	9.9%
Delivery without order confusion	25.5%	35.1%	24.4%	29.2%	10.7%
Process agility	24.5%	33.8%	30.5%	29.2%	9.4%
Monitoring/traceability of the process	28.5%	32.4%	28.1%	31.3%	8.8%
Being able to make decisions during the process	25.6%	36.0%	26.1%	27.4%	10.7%
Reduce CO2	20.9%	30.2%	28.6%	30.0%	11.5%
Reduce noise	19.2%	29.9%	30.2%	24.5%	14.8%
Reduce conflict and improve coexistence	23.6%	32.1%	33.3%	28.5%	12.9%
Incidence management and solution	23.9%	32.9%	28.6%	29.4%	11.6%
Communication with the customer	26.7%	29.9%	29.4%	25.8%	12.4%
Alternative delivery point when specific					
restrictions occur	22.6%	34.1%	29.1%	31.8%	10.1%
TOTAL	25.0%	32.7%	28.1%	30.4%	10.1%

The questions to collect users' insights related to the fulfilment of logistics requirements by UNCHAIN services have been organised following a Quality Function Development ($QFD^{10,11}$) format, as stated in the DoA document.9

As presented in Table 7, survey's participants were asked to select three logistics requirements, among those listed, highly impacted by the UNCHAIN's services focused on *traffic management*, in the context of *potential improvements during the route*.

The services classified as traffic management are Data Standardisation; Planning KIT; Active UVARs; and Route planning, which accordingly to Table 8 are KER1, KER4, KER6 and KER12 respectively.

¹⁰ https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Quality function deployment

¹¹ Yong, L. Pekkarinen, S., QFD-based modular logistics service design, Journal of Business & Industrial Marketing, 26/5 (2011) 344–356, DOI: 10.1108/08858621111144406.



Table 8: List of services to be developed and demonstrated in UNCHAIN project.

	Developer	Service description
KER1		Data standardization IDS connectors and microservices for ICT mobility platforms
KER5		On-street loading zones planning tool
KER8	ETRA	Dynamic curb side management
KER10		IT Pop-Up delivery points management tool
KER13		Advanced Management IT Cockpit of Shared Facilities
KER2		SUMPs and SULPs guidance tool
KER4	VMZ	UCC location and integrated planning KIT
KER12		Congestion forecasting and safe route planning
KER3	IBV	Freight Efficiency Land Use
KER6		Active UVARs and city regulations tools
KER9	MUNI	Dynamic management of pick-up/drop-off points
KER11		Logistics operator monitoring system and incentives tool
KER7	EITUM	Knowledge powerhouse for urban logistics

Those requirements impacted by a service for at least the 30% of the participants have been highlighted in the matrix (Table 7), employing three different levels of red colour. The survey's results show that all the KERs focused on traffic management generate a positive impact on logistics requirements. Nevertheless, KER12 and KER4 concentrate a higher agreement level regarding the impact on logistics requirements. In this sense, survey's participants consider that KER4, and specially KER12, will have a very positive impact on generating a Fastest and safest route to deliver a parcel, and in the Efficiency of the route to reach the delivery point (the last km).

4.2.4. Potential improvements during park and deliver

Table 9 presents the logistics requirements highly impacted by services focused on parking and delivery activities. The services considered under this category are Efficient land use (linked to KER3, Table 8), Loading zones (linked to KER5, Table 8), Curb Side management (linked to KER8, Table 8), Pick-up/Drop-off (linked to KER9, Table 8) and IT Pop-up deliveries (linked to KER10, Table 8).

Those requirements impacted by a service for at least the 30% of the participants have been highlighted in the matrix (Table 9), employing three different levels of red colour. The survey's results show that all the KERs focused on parking and delivery activities generate a positive impact on logistics requirements. Nevertheless, KER3, KER5, KER8 and KER9 concentrate a higher agreement level regarding the impact on logistics requirements. In this sense, survey's participants consider that KER3, KER5 and KER9 will have a very positive impact on generating a Fastest and safest route to deliver a parcel. Additionally, KER5, KER8 and KER9 will impact on Time in delivering the product, and a high impact on Delivery of the product at the agreed time is expected by implementing KER5 and KER9.



Table 9: Requirements highly impacted by services focused on park and delivery activities.

WHAT AND HOW MATRIX	EFFICIENT LAND USE	TOOL	CURB SIDE MANAGEME NT	POINTS	IT POP-UP DELIVERY POINTS	NOT APPLICABLE / No solution generates a positive impact on this requirement
Fastest and safest route to deliver a parcel	32.4%	35.1%	24.3%	31.3%	13.8%	4.9%
Efficiency of the route to reach the delivery point (the last km)	28.0%	36.8%	27.0%	29.8%	13.8%	5.6%
Time in delivering the product (loading and unloading)	23.4%	35.8%	30.6%	32.6%	15.2%	5.1%
Delivery of the product in good condition	19.1%	32.7%	24.9%	30.8%	16.3%	10.5%
Delivery of the product at the agreed time (punctuality) Safety process for the operator	26.1%	42.0% 35.4%	33.5% 31.7%	39.3% 27.2%	20.4% 14.7%	7.4% 9.8%
Customer satisfaction	19.6%	28.7%	27.4%	34.2%	16.9%	10.3%
Local regulatory compliance	22.9%	35.4%	29.1%	28.0%	15.8%	9.0%
Delivery on the first try	19.9%	34.8%	26.8%	33.2%	16.7%	7.2%
Delivery without order confusion	20.1%	33.5%	23.6%	32.7%	13.7%	11.3%
Process agility	23.3%	36.9%	29.1%	28.4%	16.5%	8.2%
Monitoring/traceability of the process	18.9%	34.2%	27.1%	31.5%	16.9%	9.5%
Being able to make decisions during the process	18.6%	35.2%	27.0%	28.3%	14.1%	12.0%
Reduce CO2	21.0%	32.3%	26.3%	29.1%	14.9%	12.0%
Reduce noise	18.5%	30.7%	26.8%	28.6%	14.9%	12.7%
Reduce conflict and improve coexistence	21.2%	32.1%	28.9%	31.3%	12.5%	11.9%
Incidence management and solution	22.8%	31.3%	27.0%	27.6%	13.3%	13.3%
Communication with the customer	14.1%	31.1%	22.8%	29.7%	16.7%	13.5%
Alternative delivery point when specific restrictions						
occur	17.8%	33.1%	28.6%	35.8%	18.3%	8.3%
TOTAL	21.5%	34.1%	27.5%	31.0%	15.6%	9.6%

4.2.5. Potential environmental impact improvements

Table 10 presents the logistics requirements highly impacted by services focused on *reducing environmental impacts*. The services considered under this category are *SUMPs and SULPs guidance, Knowledge powerhouse, Monitoring and incentives, IT Cockpit of shared,* which according to *Table 8* are *KER2, KER7, KER11* and *KER13* respectively.

Those requirements impacted by a service for at least the 30% of the participants have been highlighted in the matrix (*Table 10*). The survey's results show that all the *KER*s focused on *reducing environmental impact* generate a positive impact on logistics requirements. Nevertheless, *KER2*, *KER7*, and *KER11* concentrate a higher agreement level regarding the impact on logistics requirements. In this sense, survey's participants consider that *KER2* and *KER7* will have a very positive impact on generating a *Fastest and safest route to deliver a parcel*, and on the *Efficiency of the route to reach the delivery point*. Additionally, *KER2* will have a high impact on *Time in delivering the product*, *Delivery of the product at the agreed time*, *Customer satisfaction*, *Local regulatory compliance*, *Delivery on the first try*, *Delivery without order confusion*, *Monitoring/traceability of the process*, and *Alternative delivery point when specific restrictions occur*.



Table 10: Requirements highly impacted by services focused on reducing environmental impact.

WHAT AND HOW MATRIX	SUMPs AND SULPs GUIDANCE	KNOWLEDGE POWERHOUSE		SHARED FACILITIES	this requirement
Fastest and safest route to deliver a parcel	32.1%	34.1%	36.2%	22.8%	6.7%
Efficiency of the route to reach the delivery	20.50/	20.40/	25.40/	24.22/	5 00/
point (the last km)	30.6%	39.1%	36.1%	21.2%	5.9%
Time in delivering the product (loading and	29.2%	31.4%	39.3%	26.3%	7.1%
unloading) Delivery of the product in good condition	29.2%	31.7%	37.3%	24.5%	12.3%
Delivery of the product in good condition Delivery of the product at the agreed time	20.6%	31.7/0	37.3%	24.3%	12.5/0
(punctuality)	25.2%	34.9%	40.7%	25.5%	8.8%
Safety process for the operator	22.3%	34.8%	38.8%	25.6%	10.1%
Customer satisfaction	22.0%	30.6%	39.3%	26.1%	11.2%
Local regulatory compliance	26.8%	32.7%	41.5%	21.8%	8.7%
Delivery on the first try	21.5%	34.6%	39.1%	21.2%	9.8%
Delivery without order confusion	22.9%	35.7%	39.4%	22.1%	11.2%
Process agility	23.4%	37.0%	35.9%	24.8%	7.9%
Monitoring/traceability of the process	22.4%	34.8%	41.5%	22.8%	8.2%
Being able to make decisions during the		JOINTO 70	12.070		5,275
process	23.6%	34.6%	36.5%	22.6%	11.4%
Reduce CO2	28.4%	30.1%	34.0%	21.6%	11.5%
Reduce noise	25.8%	28.8%	34.1%	21.2%	11.7%
Reduce conflict and improve coexistence	26.4%	33.8%	35.4%	24.2%	13.1%
Incidence management and solution	21.8%	36.2%	38.6%	21.5%	10.6%
Communication with the customer	18.4%	33.8%	38.8%	24.2%	12.5%
Alternative delivery point when specific					
restrictions occur	22.3%	32.5%	41.2%	26.3%	9.1%
TOTAL	24.5%	33.8%	38.1%	23.5%	9.9%

4.2.6. Significant differences

The survey analysis has included the identification of significant differences⁴ in the answers for *gender*, *load type*, *transportation type*, *age* and *professional profile*.

Figure 25 present the results of significant differences analysis for *gender* and *load type*. The dotted rectangle displays where significant differences arise. In the case of *gender* and *load type*, differences occur with men being the ones who predominantly handle *heavy load* distribution. However, there are no significant differences in handling light, medium, and very heavy loads. The absence of differences in *very heavy loads* could be related with the employment of specific machinery when dealing with this load type.



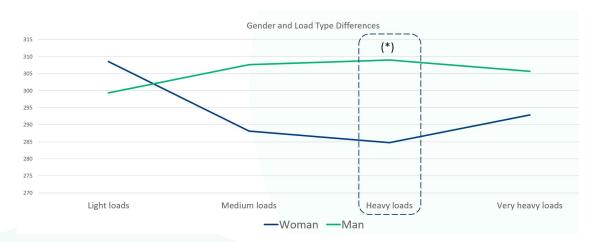


Figure 25: Significant differences for Gender and Load Type .

There are also significant differences in the type of transportation used. *Figure 26* presents the significant differences per *Gender* and *Transportation Type*. According to this result, men significantly use scooters, large vans, and trucks N1 and N2, more than women.

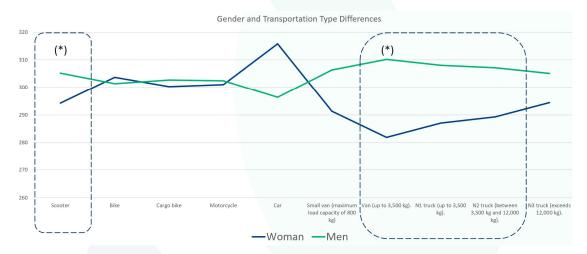


Figure 26: Significant differences for Gender and Transportation Type

5. Conclusions

The main conclusions derived from the results presented in the previous sections are:

- The main figures of the UNCHAIN user research are:
 - o 2 qualitative interventions (*Netnography, and Delphi*), and 1 quantitative intervention (survey).
 - The 7 countries, where the demonstration sites of the project are located, have participated in the user research.



- End users (logistics customers), professional profiles of logistics sector (Logistics planner, Logistics manager & Distribution manager, Delivery person & dealer), administration professionals (Public administration & Logistics regulator) and distribution professionals (Big retailer, Small retailer) have participated in the user research (Delphi and survey).
- o 60 professionals participated in the qualitative research.
- The *Netnography* intervention analyzed 10,296 reviews and 5,921 comments.
- 654 professionals (logistics, administration, distribution) participated in the survey (quantitative research).
- The satisfaction level of the logistics services, considered as the ratings collected in the *Netnography* study and measured on a scale from 1 to 5 (3 is the mean value), ranged for the three the cities of the study from 4.2 to 2.8. These values differ a lot (4.2 out of 5 in Berlin, and 2.8 out of 5 in Madrid), what evidences significative differences in the quality of the service in each city.
- The weighed value for *Netnography* study's rating is 3. This rating suggests that logistics services are acceptable (3 is the mean value of the ratings' scale), but there is big margin for improvements.
- The ratio between positive and negative comments is very different among the cities included in the *Netnography* study. While this ratio is around one to one for Florence, in Madrid the negative comments double the positive, and in Berlin only one out of five comments are negative.
- Although there are differences in the study for positive and negative comment among the
 three cities, the results for improvements present a higher coherence level. Indeed, the
 Customer service (Service Support) is identified as the first main improvement in Madrid
 and Florence, as the second main improvement in Berlin. In addition, Punctuality is the
 third main improvement in Florence and Berlin, and Quality-price ratio and Quality and
 professionalism are also among the three main improvements in Berlin and Madrid,
 respectively.
- According to *Netnography* results, the main improvements demanded by the urban logistics' customers are *Customer service*, *Punctuality and Quality*.
- From professionals' point of view, when they talk about urban logistics the main topics to be addressed are *Public management & Legislation, Infrastructure, Sustainability, Business, Public Private Partnership* and *Smart City*.
- According to professionals' criteria, Public Management & Legislation and the lack of appropriate Infrastructure are the main urban logistics barriers nowadays. The next level of barriers are Public Private Partnership, Smart City and Business related to data sharing. Sustainability seems to be a low-level barrier.
- Infrastructure and Public Private Partnership emerge as critical topics, as they are considered as barriers, but also as strengths and innovation opportunities. This reveals the need to provide urban logistics with dedicated infrastructures, managed in close collaboration with the public administration.
- Public Management & Legislation also arises as critical for improvements in urban logistics. This result is closely related to the previous one, as public management



involvement is necessary to make available infrastructures for urban logistics, managed collaboratively between private sector and public sector.

- Common regulations in the European area are required to improve urban logistics. These
 regulations should be dynamic (not rigid), and adapted to different criteria like the type
 of product, delivery schedule or the tonnage of the vehicle.
- According to survey results, the medium load deliveries and the light deliveries are prevalent in urban logistics, although the heavy deliveries are very relevant.
- These light deliveries and medium load deliveries are mainly transported by cars, and small and medium sized vans and trucks. Anyway, the prevalence of professional customers over consumers reveal how important logistics supplying businesses like shops and restaurants are.
- The amount of heavy deliveries, combined with the urban logistics for businesses, makes more evident the need to consider different criteria when legislating for urban logistics.
- Heavy loads have greater critical incidences in issues such as: Very restrictive regulations due to their features (access, noise, vehicle tonnage, type, age...), Lack of electric vehicle charging infrastructure, Navigation apps and shared data aimed at monitoring the activity, Little tolerance from citizens due to noise, interference in activities with customers and Increased circulation and greater mileage are generated by having to change the loading/unloading zone.
- Delivery on the first try, Monitoring/traceability of the process, Being able to make decisions during the process and Alternative delivery point when specific restrictions occur, are interesting aspects to improve to a better satisfaction due their relevance for a heavy goods.
- Survey results reveal that 40% of delivery professionals stop in a parking lot for fifteen minutes (15') or less to complete a delivery action, while other 40% needs longer time lapses (between 16 and 45 minutes). These time slots could be considered as a reference to define the booking time per delivery in dedicated parking lots for logistics.
- According to survey results, the main difficulties that logistics professionals have to manage in their daily duties are mainly related to traffic management (to reduce the impact of traffic congestion in the deliveries), and loading/unloading areas (the provision of areas dedicated to logistic processes). These results are coherent with the main barriers identified in the Delphi intervention, pointing out the lack of Infrastructure and the Public Management & Legislation as the main issues for urban logistics.
- The most relevant logistics requirements for professionals are Delivery of the product in good condition, Customer satisfaction, Delivery without order confusion, Communication with the customer, and Delivery of the product at the agreed time (punctuality). This result is coherent with customers' demands of improvement, focused on the Customer service (Communication with the customer), Punctuality and Quality.
- For logistics professionals, the *Delivery of the product in good condition* and *Customer satisfaction* are the logistics requirements that are more important and generate to them a higher satisfaction level.
- On the contrary, Reduce noise and Reduce CO₂ have the lower satisfaction level, and the lower importance level. These two topics emerge as relevant improvement factors for the urban logistics, as both of them have the potential to give extra quality to customers, once



the quality related to *Delivery of the product in good condition* and *Customer satisfaction* has been achieved.

- All the services to be developed by the UNCHAIN project focused on traffic management
 are considered by logistics professionals to generate a positive impact on logistics
 requirements. In this sense, survey's results reveal that KER12 (Route planning) and KER4
 (Planning KIT) will have a very positive impact on generating a Fastest and safest route to
 deliver a parcel, and in the Efficiency of the route to reach the delivery point (the last km).
- The similarities between these issues are evident, although it's crucial to note that
 efficiency encompasses a broader range of factors, including but not limited to fuel
 consumption.
- The survey's results show that all the UNCHAIN services focused on parking and delivery activities will generate a positive impact on logistics requirements. Nevertheless, survey's participants consider that KER3 (Efficient Land Use), KER5 (Loading zone plan tool) and KER9 (Pick-up/Drop-off points) will have a very positive impact on generating a Fastest and safest route to deliver a parcel. Additionally, KER5, KER8 (Curb side management) and KER9 will impact on Time in delivering the product, and a high impact on Delivery of the product at the agreed time is expected by implementing KER5 and KER9.
- According to survey's results, all the services focused on reducing environmental impact
 will generate a positive impact on logistics requirements. Survey's participants point out
 x that KER2 (SUMPs and SULPs guidance) and KER7 (Knowledge powerhouse) will have a
 very positive impact on generating a Fastest and safest route to deliver a parcel, and on
 the Efficiency of the route to reach the delivery point. Additionally, KER2 will have a high
 impact on Time in delivering the product, Delivery of the product at the agreed time,
 Customer satisfaction, Local regulatory compliance, Delivery on the first try, Delivery
 without order confusion, Monitoring/traceability of the process, and Alternative delivery
 point when specific restrictions occur.
- Regarding gender issues, 40% of the comments analysed in the Netnography intervention
 were sent by female customer, and 60% by male customers. The analysis did not find
 significant differences between men and women regarding sentiment and levels of
 extreme negativity (hate). However, women tend to discuss topics such as package,
 waiting, delivered, or absent, while men mention more frequently topics such as service,
 company, shipment, or hour.
- The gender distribution of survey's participants is more unbalanced, as the rate of male professionals participating in the survey (65.9%) doubles the rate of females.
- Regarding gender significant differences, men are the ones who predominantly handle heavy load distribution. In addition, men significantly use scooters, large vans, and trucks N1 and N2, more than women.



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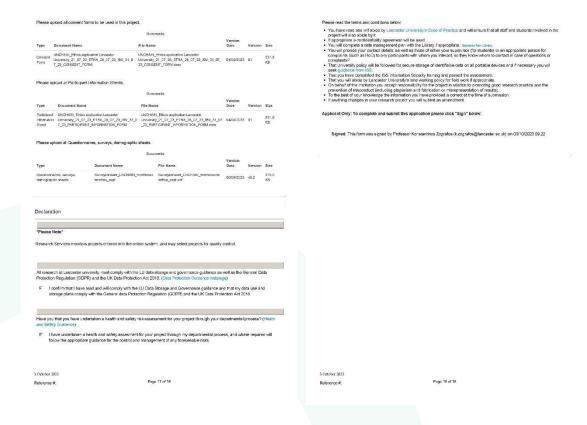
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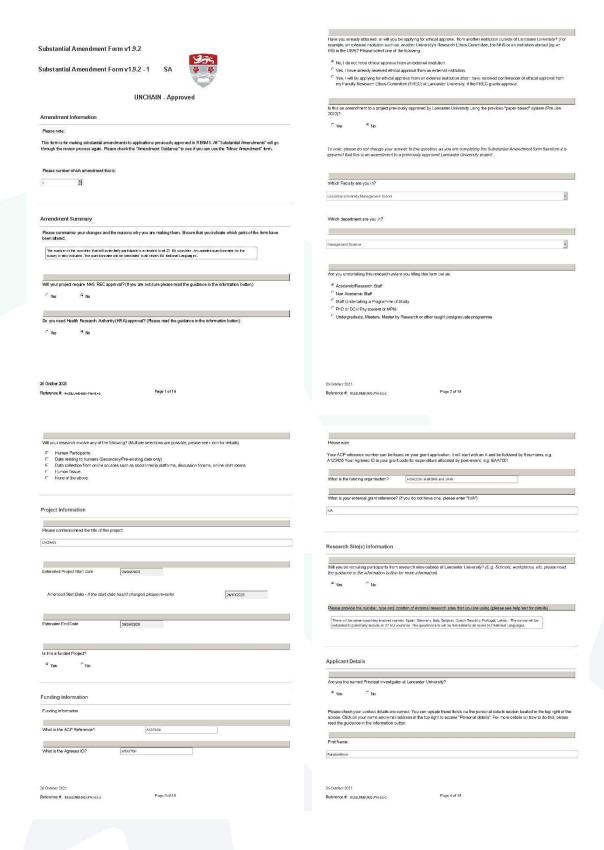
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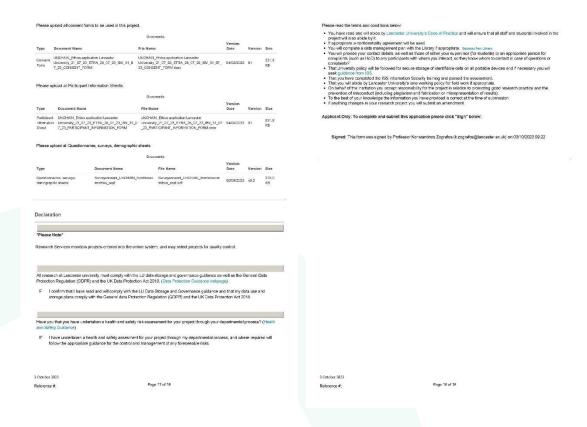
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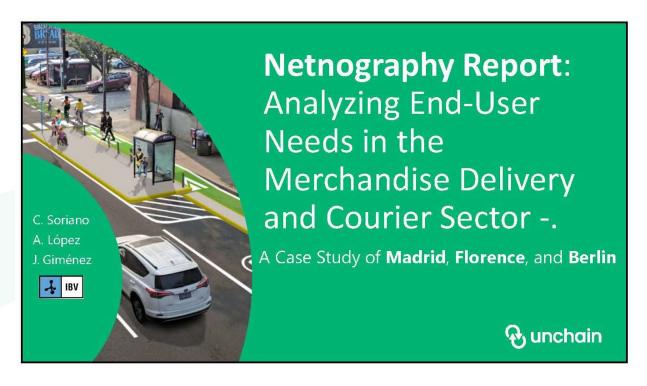
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ANNEX 3. Netnography results



Overview	01 Objective & Methodology
	02 Analysis of Madrid (Spain)
	03 Anlaysis of Florence (Italy)
	04 Analysis of Berlin (Germany)
	05 Gender analysis
	06 Conclusions & Actions







Netnography, an online research method originating in ethnography, is understanding social interaction in contemporary digital communications contexts. Netnography is a specific set of research practices related to data collection, analysis, research ethics, and representation, rooted in participant observation. In netnography, a significant amount of the data originates in and manifests through the digital traces of naturally occurring public conversations recorded by contemporary communications networks. Netnography uses these conversations as data. It is an interpretive research method that adapts the traditional, in-person participant observation techniques of anthropology to the study of interactions and experiences manifesting through digital communications (*).

(*)Robert V. Kozinets (1998), "On Netnography: Initial Reflections on Consumer Research Investigations of Cyberculture", in NA - Advances in Consumer Research Volume 25, eds. Joseph W. Alba & J. Wesley Hutchinson, Provo, UT: Association for Consumer Research, Pages: 366-371.

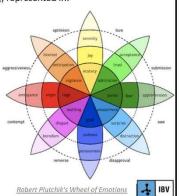




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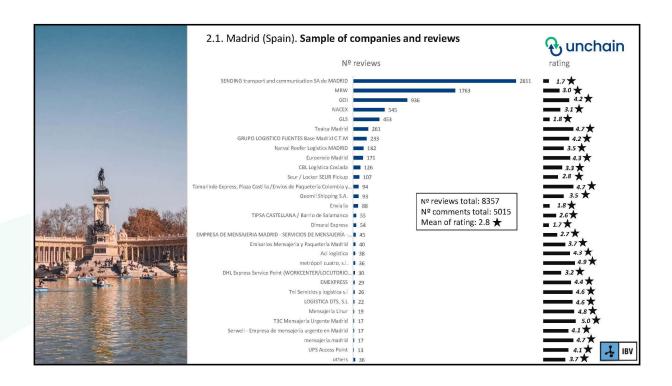


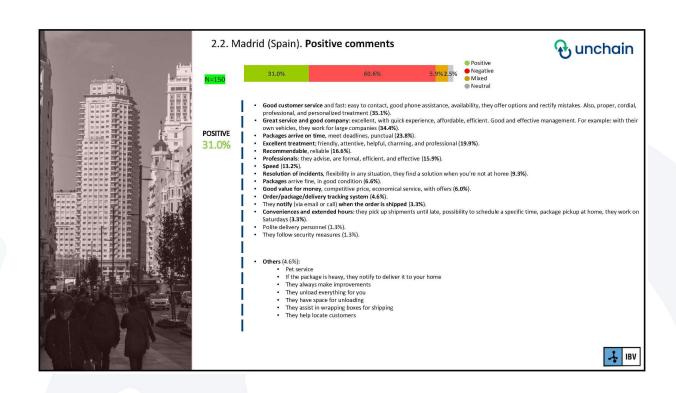
- The objective of this work is to analyze of the <u>needs of the end user</u> regarding the merchandise delivery and courier sector through the analysis of online comments (*Netnography*).
- The methodology consisted of analyzing 3 representative cities in Europe that participate in the UNCHAIN project: Madrid, Florence, and Berlin.
- The methodological phases are:
 - 1. Utilizing Web Scraping for Gender Identification through tools such as ScrapeHero or Gender API, along with language extraction and detection, as well as comment
 - Number of reviews per year, to determine the evolution of usage.
 - 3. Analysis of textual data (natural language processing) represented in:
 - Sentiment-polarity analysis; classifying the comments as POSITIVE, NEGATIVE, MIXED or NEUTRAL
 - Analyzing the emotions and the hate/aggressive level of the comments
 - Word clouds: The word cloud allow us to synthetically view key words, according to their frequency of occurrence.
 - Semantic analysis by manual coding: manual coding consists of reading the set or a representative sample of the answers (around 100). Corresponding topics and categories are chosen, according to meaning at expert level.
 - Extraction of characteristic verbatim: Once the topics of the comments have been identified, the verbatim are extracted to illustrate the topics addressed.



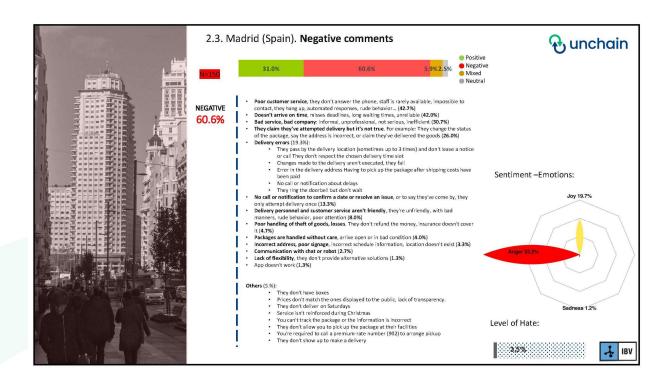
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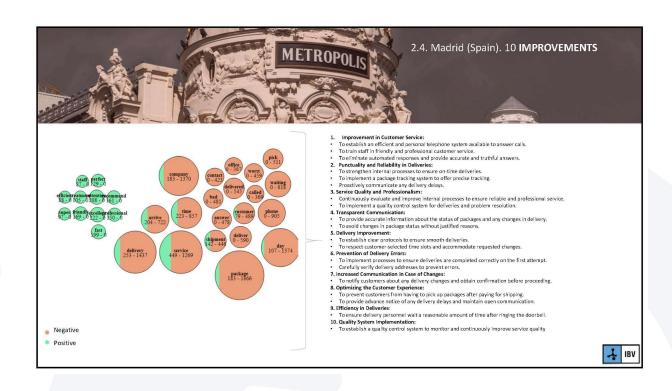




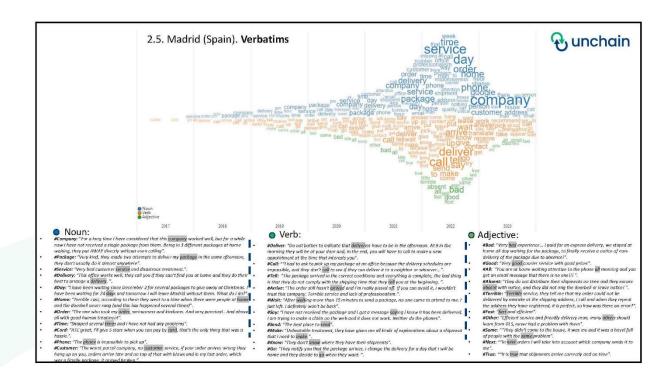






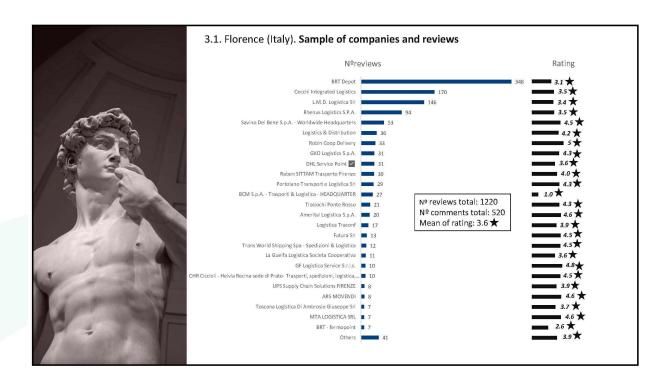


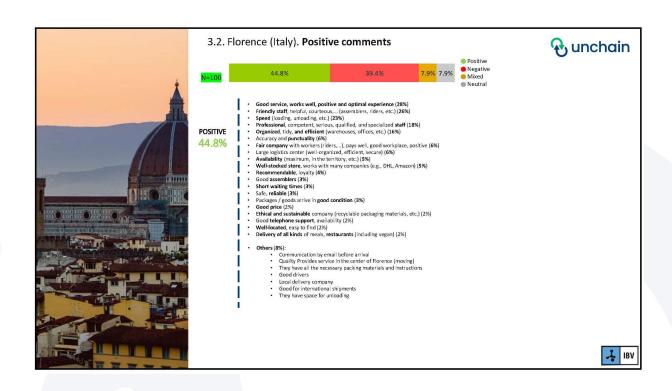




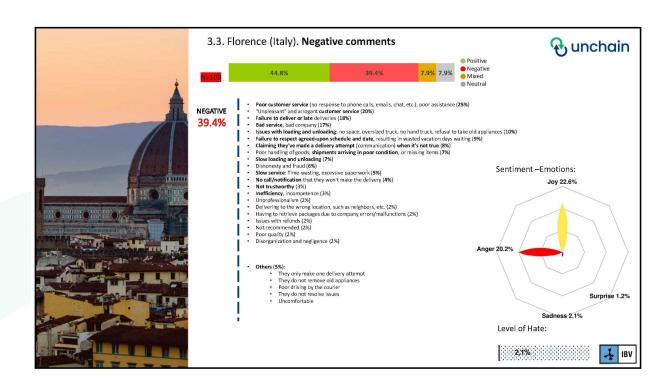


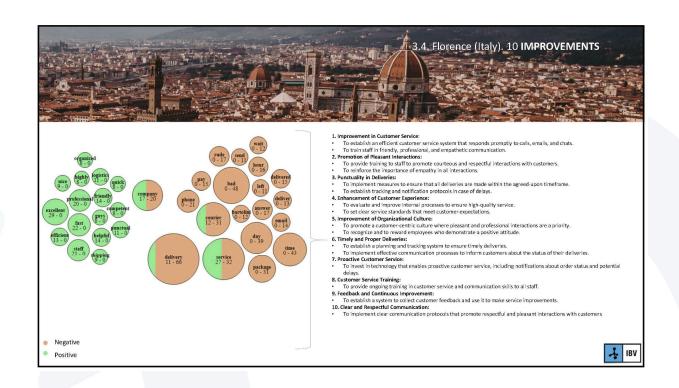




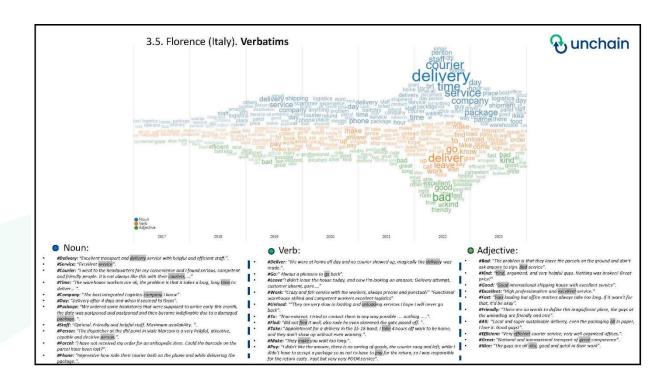






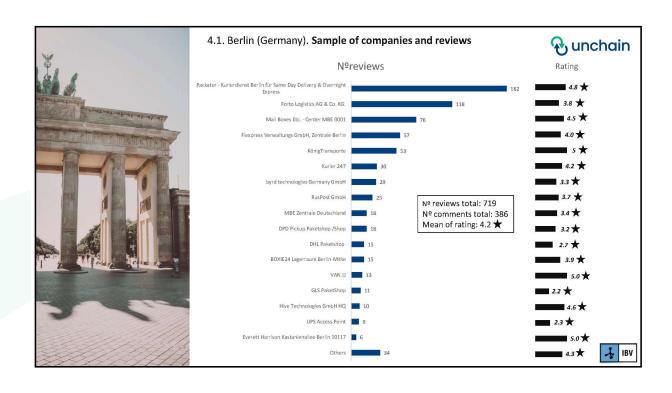


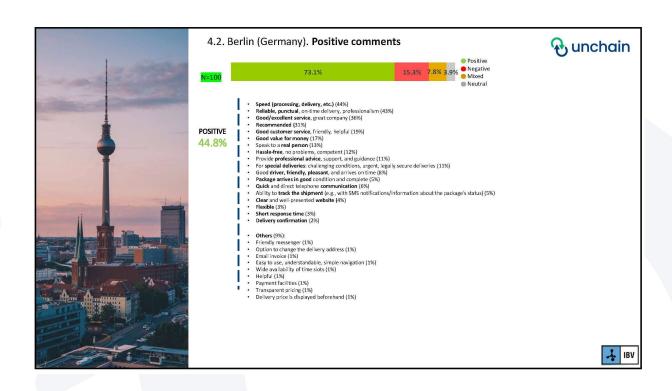




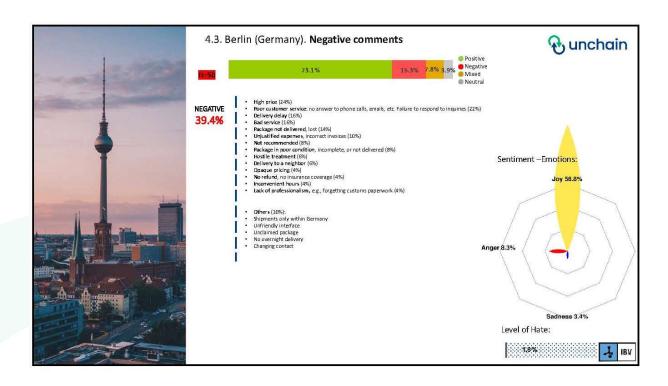


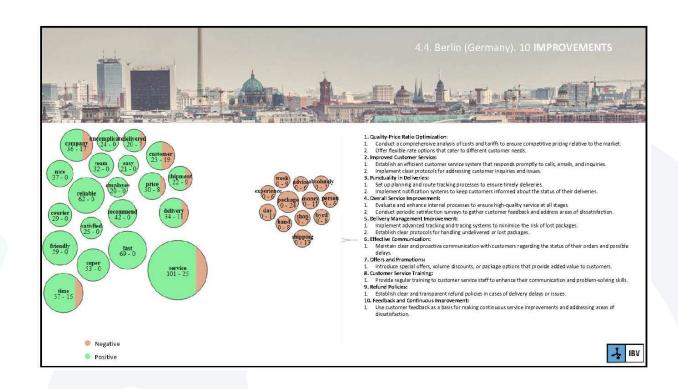




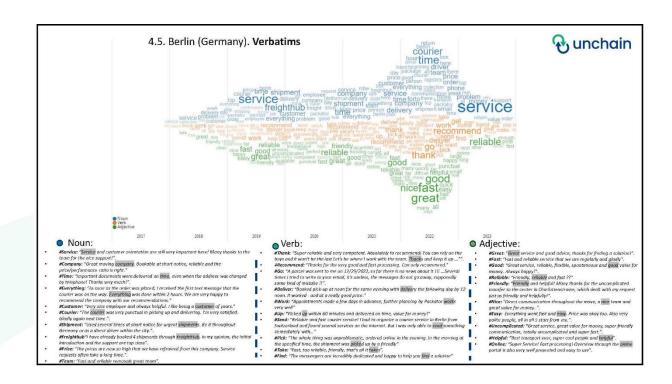






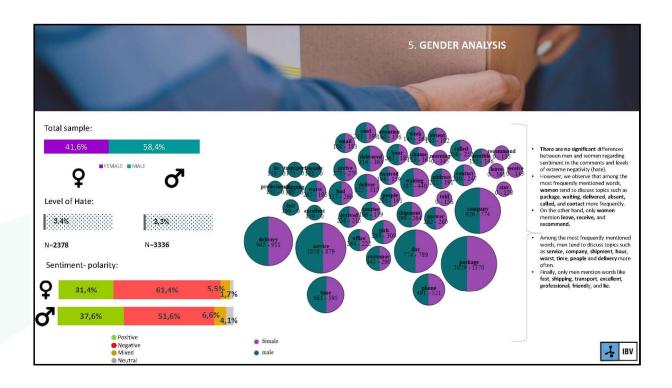
















6. Conclusions & Actions (i)



Methodology & Sample

- Netnography allows us to understand users' opinions about both the aspects that have been well addressed and those that need resolution in the field of package delivery and logistics. This understanding is derived from the information users share on the internet, including social media platforms and review websites.

 Users are observed and analyzed without their awareness, and this spontaneously expressed information holds significant value. It serves as complementary data to other
- techniques and sources involving relevant stakeholders.
- The analyzed sample is extensive and meaningful, encompassing all available comments on Google Reviews. Qualitative analysis was performed by reading and interpreting a subset, while quantitative analysis involved natural language processing (NLP) algorithms.
- In total, 10,291 reviews (with star ratings ranging from 1 to 5) and 5,921 user comments were analyzed. Of the users expressing their opinions, 66.9% are male, 29.6% are female, and 3.4% are of unknown gender. This gender distribution may be attributed to a higher level of male engagement and/or interest in the topic.
- Companies tagged on Google Reviews and included in the analysis belong to categories such as courier companies, messenger services, logistics, transportation, distribution services, and cargo transportation.
- The sample comprises comments from three participating cities in the project: Madrid, Florence, and Berlin. The sample size varies because it depends on the availability of comments, influenced by factors such as the city's size and its specific characteristics and profile.

Sentiment and Emotion Language Analysis:

- 49.6% of the comments in the three cities are positive, 38.4% of the comments are negative, and therefore, areas for improvement. The rest are MIXED (7.2%) and NEUTRAL
- (5.0%). The average rating is 3.5 out of 5. The aspects that stand out as well-addressed are:

Madrid

1.Good Customer Service and Fast Response (35.1%) 1. Easy contactability 2. Excellent phone assistance 3. Availability 4. Offering options and rectifying mistakes 5. Proper, cordial, professional, and personalized treatment

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 Careat Service and Company (34.4%)
 Excellent service with a quick and efficient experience
 Affordable and cost-effective
 Efficient management, including the use of their own vehicles
 Serving large companies

3.Punctual Deliveries (23.8%)

Packages consistently arrive on time Reliable adherence to deadlines

- Reliable adherence to deadlines
 ent and Friendly Treatment (19.9%)
 Friendly, attentive, helpful, charming, and professional
- High level of satisfaction with the treatment received

Florence

- 1. Good Service and Positive Experience (28%)
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Berlin

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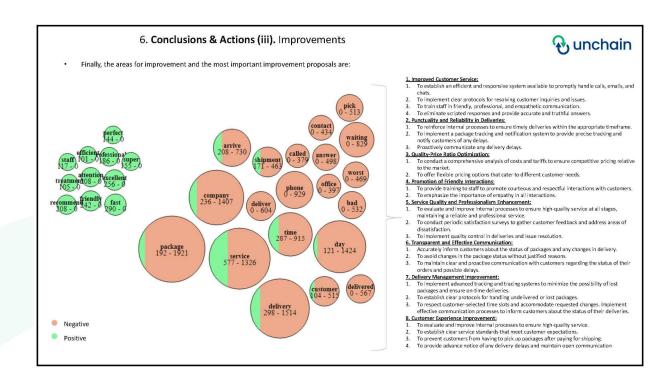
 1. swift processing and delivery, prioritizing efficiency
 2. Reliability and Punctuality (43%)

 2. let in the Consistent on-time delivery
 2. High level of professionalism and reliability
 3. Good Service and Company Reputation (36%)
 2. Excellent service quality
 2. A strong reputation as a great company
 4. Recommendation (31%)
 1. A significant number of customers recommend the service



6. Conclusions & Actions (ii). Level of hate **&** unchain Special attention must be paid to the levels of hatred, which represent the extreme manifestation of negative aspects. On average, the levels are low, accounting for 2.5% of the The identified comments discuss the following aspects: "I am waiting for a **package** and in its tracking it says that it was delivered today and it is a lie" "The worst **company** and the worst delegation of MRW They dont pick up the phone by hanging up Or they play a little music for you But they don't answer" "If negative stars could be put, they would be rude, non-compliant, unprofessional, doubling the **delivery** time and still not receiving the shipment" "They make me stay at home all day to receive a package that never arrived" "Terrible management on the **phone** of the lady in this office Tacky and angry with the world It puts me on hold and instead of that the call crosses me with another client" "Of all the times that I have had shipments with this office, they have NEVER been delivered on time (and there are more than 5 already) They always deliver last when other companies deliver throughout the morning. They tell you that there was no one at home even though you are inside because the delivery man on duty does not even show up since there is a junitor on my form and he collects the packages when there is no one at home with some there is a junitor on my form and he collects the packages when there is no one at home they are the packages when there is no one at home they are the packages when there is no one at home they are the packages when there is no one at home they are the packages when there is no one at home they are the packages when there is no one at home they are the packages when there are no one of the packages when there "If negative stars could be put, they would be rude, non-compliant, unprofessional, doubling the delivery time and still not receiving the **shipment** " "Disastrous The girl at the counter is **rude** and arrogant, they do not notify that the packages arrive" shipping "They kept us 3 days without moving from home to **pick** up a package When they do not appear, they call the next day soying than the address was incomplete, a story already very burned 3 days of vacation wasted waiting for these people."







ANNEX 4. Delphi's second round questionnaire





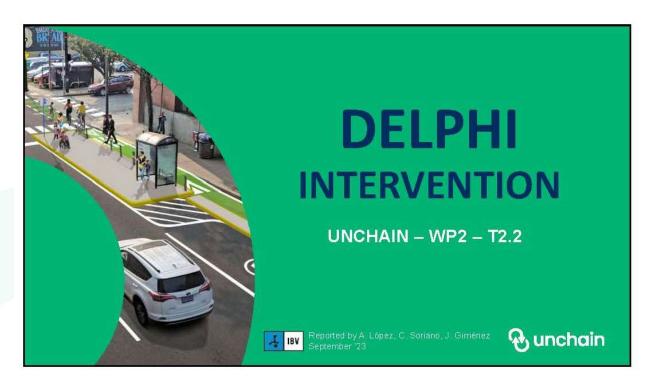
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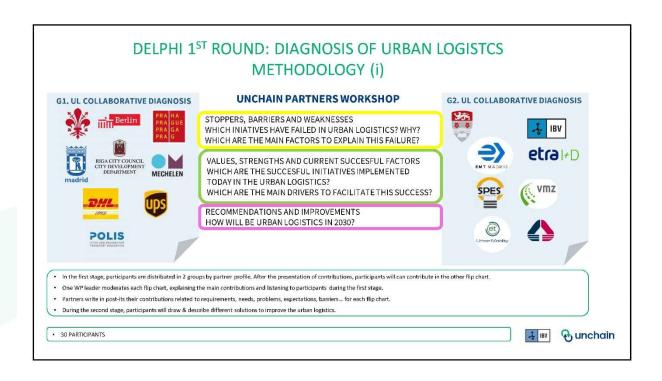


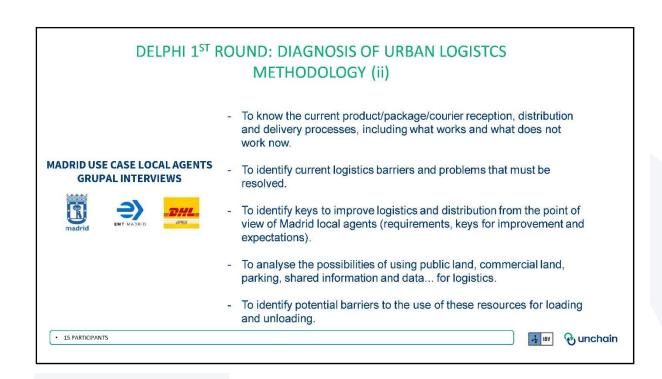
ANNEX 5. Delphi intervention results













DELPHI 2ND ROUND: DIAGNOSIS OF URBAN LOGISTCS METHODOLOGY (iii)

- To validate the obtained results in the first round, was be defined a questionnaire addressed to project partners.
- To stablish the level of agreement with the registered information in the first round.
- To assess and evaluate the information (type of data and adaptation of reality).
- To identify information gaps.
- To add key information to complete the contextual diagnosis.

15 PARTICIPANTS





DELPHI 1ST ROUND: DIAGNOSIS OF URBAN LOGISTCS RESULTS 1. PROJECT PARTNERS STOPPERS, VALUES AND RECOMMENDATIONS















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DELPHI 1ST ROUND: DIAGNOSIS OF URBAN LOGISTCS RESULTS 1. PROJECT PARTNERS STOPPERS, VALUES AND RECOMMENDATIONS

STOPPERS

Public management & Legislation

Need to align strategies SUMP-SULP, New solutions are often not profitable; only pilots, Confusing regulation, Different regulation, Lack of modern regulation, No adapted to change legislation and administrative regulation, Hard to define the necessity and subject of procurement, Policy coherence across sectors, Conflict with economy; nobody wants regulations, KPI must be declined to measure success of framework goals, Dynamic change in patterns and stakeholders; hard to define regulation, Limited budget & manpower/personnel, No political support, Outdated regulations, Inflexible regulations, Inadequate enforcement traffic regulation, Missing knowledge&capacities in administration, Lack of trust to municipality about effect of data sharing, Restrictive regulation; cargo bike vs. pedestrians, Last mile delivery vs. active mobility, SULP as part of SUMP, Traffic regulations, Approach by city managers often/too many times driven by electoral needs, Lack of regulation, Missing link; transportation planning vs. urban planning, No awareness on logistics by urban planners, No legal regulation to enforce, for example, loading zones, Shared space with public and private mobility active modes, Public administrations have limited skills&resources.

Infrastructure

No space dedicated to complex deliveries solutions, Lack of loading/unloading areas, Lack of available space, Delivery companies competition for space: lockers, UCCs, hubs, More micro-logistic hubs needed, lack of space and facilities, Lack of public surface on central/old districts, Matching needs/spaces, Not enough space for all nee Infrastructure competition (different uses and demands, e.g. on streets, parking), Limited energy alternative infrastructure availability Availability of space; space conflict with other land uses, Location of UCC; dedicated spaces for logistics, Lack of space; fight for space.

No sustainability culture, Need to reduce the home delivery and to increase the lockers or shops' deliveries, Cultural heritage boundaries; Unesco area, Commitment with

Sustainability

sustainable companies, Sustainability makes it more difficult.

Micro-size companies in logistics; difficult to reach, Enterprises and companies do not want to share info, No willingness to cooperate by involved stakeholders, Confidential, Accessibility of available data limited (data ownership), LSPs not prepared to share data, Competitors, Load/Unload area is never enough, Big vehicles used, EVs are expensive; the range, Data is companies' asset; value for them.

Business Public Private Partnership

Involvement of private sectors in the process, No common idea about the future, Local market operators too fragmented; small operators, Failure in the hourly regulation of the drop off/pick up spaces (non compliance), Logistics is not prioritized, Access to city centre, LEZ in cities, Everyone thinks about its own future,

Protocols&agreements between public and private sector, Land is private to a large extent, Mixed private-public logistics policies on same limited infrastructure, Lack of interest in logistics by society&investors.

Smart City

Framework must be monitored automatically, Data needed: demand, usage, capacity (of infrastructure), No systematic approach to data monitoring, No framework (IT solution) to share data in a safe&confident way, Data silos, Planning on available data (limited knowledge on demand, ...), Data on land use only available with different scope, GDPR compliance, Interoperability of data, Interoperable data are expensive, Public data proxies' logistics.

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DELPHI 1ST ROUND: DIAGNOSIS OF URBAN LOGISTCS RESULTS 1. PROJECT PARTNERS STOPPERS, VALUES AND RECOMMENDATIONS

VALUES

Public management & Legislation

To have a clear guidelines vision; top-down approach, Possibility to implement policy, Political buy-in, A good new ordinance to allow this change and to encourage this change, Main driver: restrictions on car-use, Participatory process in defining SUMP, Alignment with mobility planning, housing, economic, activities and overall, urban plans, New SULP in place with concrete targets and monitoring obligation. To define data-based policy, Making the use of (un)loading zones obligatory. To reduce space for private car and to increase for other uses.

Infrastructure

Structural approach instead of project based, Land use for city hubs, micro-hubs, lockers, New loading and unloading zones, Temporary land-use for microdepots, Micro-logistic hubs, Optimal location of hubs/UCCs; less congestion, costs, wasted time, Shared spaces for different actors, Distribution of pick-up LEZs protect the cities consolidation, Increased awareness about the challenge, Consumers' choice; less polluting operators, Increase of understanding of

Sustainability

situation among citizens, New small electric and narrow vehicles. Logistics operators, Incentives, Better understand logistic flows and to know where and how to intervene, Data driven planning, IT-based modelling of

Business

demand for micro-depots, To have more data implies potential more knowledge of city context; better optimization; cost reduction, Socio-economically beneficial to all stakeholders. Flexible approach, Fulfil strategic goals, Open discussion with main operators, Common goal to be achieved, Public councils open discussion, To understand the sector better, Self benefit (trust), Take advantage from the amount of data publicly available; the so called high value data sets.

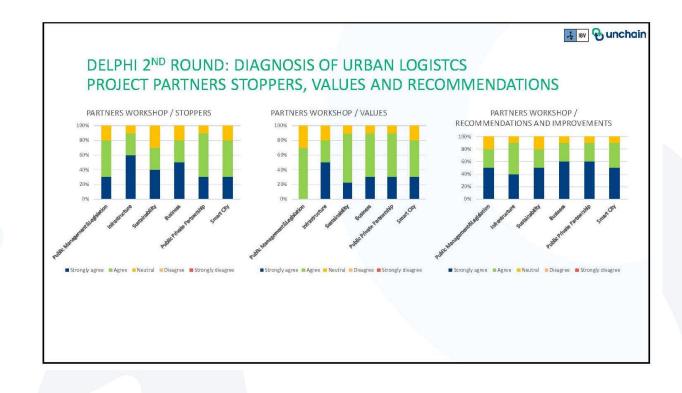
Public Private Partnership

> Looking into the future solutions and not only into existing problems. To make a similar technology that is able to make the change in any city. To monitor&analyse policy in a quantitative way, Logistics operation services have decent digital platforms for end users, Connected car; V2G data, New app for professionals to book the needed space, Research-assisted demand evaluation, Monitorization of public spaces.

Smart City



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DELPHI 2ND ROUND: DIAGNOSIS OF URBAN LOGISTCS PROJECT PARTNERS STOPPERS, VALUES AND RECOMMENDATIONS

Information to add (contributions from the 2nd round questionnaire):

- Public management & Legislation: Besides the question of following a top-down approach or not, legislation should include users needs and suppliers requirements. Political support is important, but the empowerment of planners and to act despite of political agenda is even more crucial for the actions to take place.
- Business: Data might not always provide the full explanation. All the actors (city+businesses+users) should be always involved in the process, by at least receiving contextual information about planning and operations.
- Public-private partnerships: The highlight of actors' involvement and users is needed.
- Public Management: top down approach can lead to lower acceptance levels of businesses and end users.
- - Regulation only considering the type of goods to be delivered might be very tricky since different businesses have very different opening times and may require the same type of goods to be delivered (e.g. cafeteria operating from early in the morning and a pub/restaurant operating from the evening).
 - Not enabling logistics operators to deliver the goods inside the businesses premises will be extremely conflictive. Customers pay to the logistics operators to handle those goods, especially if they are very heavy; customers may not want to move on their own those goods.

DELPHI 1ST ROUND: DIAGNOSIS OF URBAN LOGISTCS RESULTS 2. MADRID USE CASE LOCAL AGENTS. CURRENT PROCESS, STOPPERS AND IMPROVEMENTS













DELPHI 1ST ROUND: DIAGNOSIS OF URBAN LOGISTCS RESULTS 2. MADRID USE CASE LOCAL AGENTS. CURRENT PROCESS, STOPPERS AND IMPROVEMENTS

CURRENT PROCESS

Public management & Legislation The regulation of the Urban Distribution of Goods is very complex (overlapped layers, in different neighborhoods, zones, time slots...), At 11:00 a.m. ends the permission to use he pedestrian zones for logistics operations, There is no priority to use public space for loading and unloading, in pedestrian zones such as squares you can park to make the delivery although there is no regulation that specifies it, Regulation of space and times is needed depending on the size and weight of the product to be delivered.

Infrastructure

Infrastructure is key to product delivery, Infrastructure is insufficient at certain hours.



Deliveries involving high volume products or high weight products tend to be concentrated; the vehicles travel few kilometers due to deliveries concentration; pavement deterioration, The deliveries are organized by proximity (of establishments), They go 2-3 times a week, At one stop they make 12-16 deliveries (restaurants/bars), They are considering the purchase of electric trucks, The parcels' deliveries vehicle travels a lot of mileage.

They work with a 12-ton truck (different deliveries of goods such as furniture, appliances, equipment, removals, etc.), Each barrel weighs 70kg, boxes 12kg, deliveries of 80-200kg minimum (bars&restaurants). They carry out reverse logistics (they collect loads of empty barrels, appliances to withdraw...), They assemble the delivered product and/or collect a product to remove, importance of efficiency. Times are key because the margins are very low and the key is to deliver quickly (effective and efficient). The restaurant does not have warehouses and they do not have stock. They arrive at a delivery area and do not make a single delivery (they have a route, through neighborhoods and streets), The driver makes an average of 10-12 deliveries each time the vehicle is parked, Small vehicles make quick deliveries (20%), in short sops (25°), while big trucks stop for 2 hours, making 80% of deliveries (bars&restaurants). The deliveries are planned (the logistics managers plan the routes). The logistics managers group the deliveries by zones, Time is key due to schedules, Parcels are delivered quickly and with a high dipersion. Each operator knows where they have to go and sometimes they cannot make decisions to change the route, Delivery is a repetitive scheme, Different delivery timetables for diverse businesses (bars&restaurants, food stores, ...), The less time delivery takes the more benefit professionals get (and less time the delivery vehicles occupy the public space), E-commerce has grown 25%, so has grown the number of delivery telegroup.

Business

Public Private

Each company works independently, Currently there is no contact with the administration to collaborate in defining the logistics conditions.

Smart City

There are applications for logistics activities in cities such as https://apps.apple.com/es/app/madrid-dum-360/id1637611301, Some customers ask for deliveries out of commercial time (but close to it).

DELPHI 1ST ROUND: DIAGNOSIS OF URBAN LOGISTCS RESULTS 2. MADRID USE CASE LOCAL AGENTS. CURRENT PROCESS, STOPPERS AND IMPROVEMENTS

STOPPERS

Public management & Legislation Don't give a clear guidelines, Fines related toexceed the established loading/unloading time. The loading/unloading time must be regulated by tonnage, Parcel delivery operators can use shared areas (parking lots, different resources depending on weight and size...), Uncertainty by unclear regulation, City councils must address the needs of logistics (not all the product delivered is the same), The lack of proper legislation has consequences for professionals and society, Lack of coordination between municipalities, Dispersed regulations and lack of equity in the delivery requirements, Legislation is different in each city and there is no common framework (what is legal in one city could be illegal in other). The legislation that applies to delivery vehicles is similar to that applied to private vehicles; different one is required, The rules are very inflexible (not adapted to delivery typology), During the first hours of the day the loading/unloading areas are saturated, There are access restrictions (LEZs), Some vehicles, due to tonnage, cannot access the downtown district.

Infrastructure

No space dedicated to complex deliveries, Lack of loading/unloading areas, Lack of available space, Loading/unloading areas not in accordance with the size and load of the vehicles. Better distribution of loading/unloading areas to minimize last mile delivery. To restrict the use of these spaces only for loading/unloading, To monitor real time location is rejected, as it could be employed to fine professionals, There is no space to leave the load in the absence of commerce, The reduction in lanes has to be compensated with more loading/unloading areas.

Sustainability

To have to move the truck due to lack of flexibility in parking time, on loading/unloading areas; this results in more km driven, The indicators to assess logistics processes are very limited and do not adjust to the activity; other ways to reduce emissions must be explored, Diesel vehicles are consumption competitive with hybrids vehicles.

Business

Better understanding of logistic flows to know where and how to intervene, Difficulties in carrying out other loading and unloading tasks such as reverse logistics, Removals have the same treatment as transportation and distribution (they cannot usually complywith schedules as they are parked the whole day), The construction sector is having problems (restricted hours + ecological vehicle); they have to leave at 5 p.m. when perhaps they would have finished in 2 hours and they are forced to return for another day.

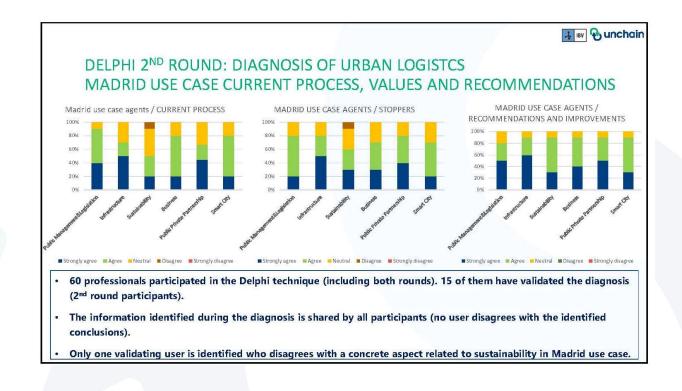
Public Private Partnership Logistics operators do not participate in decision making regarding the regulation of logistics activities, Lack of tolerance in logistics activities, Lack of understanding of their needs, The distribution generates inconvenience to citizens that must be taken into account (noise, deterioration of the pavement, congestion, reduction of space...).

Smart City

In the city there is very little tolerance for distribution and logistics work, Problems of coexistence with the mobility of citizens, Route apps generate doubts, Fear that the app measures have a supervisory objective.



👃 🕫 🗞 unchain **DELPHI 1ST ROUND: DIAGNOSIS OF URBAN LOGISTCS** RESULTS 2. MADRID USE CASE LOCAL AGENTS. CURRENT PROCESS, STOPPERS AND IMPROVEMENTS To regulate the use of the bus lane by agreement until 8:00 a.m. or the established time, To be very strict with schedules if issuing fines, To regulate the use of pedestrian zones by agreement, To define loading/unloading schedules based on the type of product (e.g. food) to coordinate the work and foresee priorities of use, according to the product, Do not use the average delivery as a regulation measure (segment), Regulate night delivery from 12.00 p.m. and 7.00 a.m. in areas that do not affect the neighborhood, To provide for stock warehouse spaces (the delivery person leaves the parcel, digital delivery note signed and picked up by the customer at another time), To regulate that the product is left at the door of the premises, without access to the basement or attic; difficult because the customer do not want it, but this would result in occupational risks reduction, and delivery times reduction, To regulate where heavy merchandise can be stored (at street level or warehouse next to it); It would make the delivery faster and safer, Flexible control, To prioritize schedules according to delivery typology, in the morning, from 7:00 to 12:30, food, pharmacy and press; half day, Public management & Legislation equipment, furniture, afternoon fashion, accessories. To unify municipal regulations to have a framework with certainty, knowing whether or not you comply with the regulations, Regulations according to neighborhood typology. To monitor where the vehicle is, in real time, Being able to book a loading/unloading space, flexible in time occupancy. To use parking lots forsmal vehicles (at certain Infrastructure hours), To use blue and green parking lots for loading/unloading. To enable parking areas in the perimeter of difficult-to-access neighborhoods, HUBS in perimeter areas and from there to deliver with electric vehicle through a shared platform. OEM market evolution (vehicle prices reduction), To raise awareness on the environmental, LEZs protect the cities consolidation, To increase awareness about the logistics needs. To carry out complex analisys of what the improvement in CO₂ (reduction) implies; e.g. a heavy vehicle, even being diesel, if it is allowed to remain in the same loading/unloading space for the time it needs, reduces pollution because it travels almost no kilometers and does not generate traffic congestion. To create specific Sustainability permits for access of unlabeled vehicles, implementation of a network of shared platforms with clean vehicles for last mile delivery. Incertives for companies following good practices, Never forget local commerce, helping them to be involved. To provide deadlines and facilities to make changes in the type of vehicle and fleet renewal, Transporters within 5 years of retiring who do not have to change their vehicle (extensions), To strengthen common delivery areas (kiosks, small businesses...), To reduce home delivery, Commerce as a delivery point, Associations as delivery managers of the last mile delivery. Business To involve different city departments and also citizens and private sector, To promote dialogue to search for solutions, To include logistics companies in the search for solutions, Direct interfacution with city council directors, To be able to coordinate and to integrate with urban planners; To work with the municipal police to identify the location of loading/unloading areas, The delivery people want to collaborate to speed up the processes (but they do not want to be harmed, control / inspection), Registration, type of vehicle, and environmental certification are already share by logistics companies, other data of their own could be shared if the city council gives them data to improve their delivery route. Public Private Partnership Better communications to cover logistics needs, Metropolitan area must have a common regulation, integrating common urban plans, App to optimize routes, book a loading/unloading area (contrast with apps from cities that already have them in place). Smart City





DELPHI 2ND ROUND: DIAGNOSIS OF URBAN LOGISTCS MADRID USE CASE CURRENT PROCESS, VALUES AND RECOMMENDATIONS

Information to add (contributions from the 2nd round questionnaire):

- Current process: Need to include data related to distances the delivery trucks actually do.
- Infrastructure: Roads to access the delivery location and logistics hubs are critical infrastructures to organize the logistic processes. It has to be specified which infrastructure is not sufficient during high traffic volume times.
- Sustainability:
 - It would help a lot to indicate whether there are current implications of electric cargo vehicles. Also, if there
 are alternative transportation means (e.g. cargo bicycles, on-foot delivery, other micro-mobility means) used
 to deliver goods.
 - Need to identify the broader spectrum of logistic means and extended overview of Smart City factors. To cover in the field study/survey.
- Recommendations: It is not clear that booking parking lots in advance is a procedure that logistic companies can
 implement today.

Disagree reasons:

- Sustainability:
 - Not only need for less home deliveries but in general less deliveries; with the predicted increase of
 consumption and deliveries, there will be no sufficient solution.
 - Disagree on more mileage due to restrictions; it could be acceptable in the longer term, when a behavioural change could lead to adapted routing.

DELPHI 1ST ROUND: DIAGNOSIS OF URBAN LOGISTCS CONCLUSIONS (i)

- Considering the amount of contributions, the results suggest the inadequate Public
 Management&Legislation and the lack of appropriate Infrastructure are the main UL barriers today.
- Following this rationale, the next level of barriers are Public Private Partnership, Smart City and Business related to data sharing. Sustainability seems to be a low level barrier.
- Regarding values, Public Management&Legislation is the most relevant strength of UL; the main barrier arises also as the main facilitator to change nowadays situation.
- Infrastructure and Public Private Partnership to generate Business related to data share in the context
 of the Smart City seem to be important assets for the UL.
- · Regarding recommendations, Public Management & Legislation appears again as the main factor.
- These results suggest that public administration has the key to change a market, which main actors demand new infrastructures and digital resources to move towards a more sustainable scenario.







DELPHI 1ST ROUND: DIAGNOSIS OF URBAN LOGISTCS CONCLUSIONS (ii)

Specifically, some keys to improve these areas would be:

- Public Management&Legislation: To develop common regulations in the European area, dynamic (not rigid) and based on the type of product, schedule (regulation) and tonnage of the vehicle.
- Infrastructure: To increase the typologies of loading and unloading areas and to develop priority use policies
 for each type of zone, according to the product, delivery time (logistics process) and tonnage of vehicle
 used
- Sustainability: To consider sustainability criteria adapted to the characteristics of the products and type of vehicle used, which defines the type of delivery, with compensatory criteria (pollutes more but makes fewer trips, ecological footprint vs. impact on traffic congestion).
- Business: To develop solutions that support the logistics operations (e.g., to send in advance information about requirements to be met for delivery in a given area, conditions to book a loading/unloading area, priorities related to the type of product/schedule), real-time information on traffic and route management.
- Public Private Partnership: To create logistics regulation and management processes agreed with companies.
- · Smart City: To incorporate logistics activities into mobility policies, to improve coexistence with citizens.



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AGREEMENT LEVEL ON THE CONCLUSIONS 100% 80% 60% 40% GENERAL CONCLUSIONS Strongly agree Agree Neutral Disagree Strongly disagree

- 60 professionals participated in the Delphi technique (including both rounds). 15 of them have validated the diagnosis (2nd round participants).
- · The information identified during the diagnosis is shared by all participants; no disagrees with the identified conclusions.
- · European regulation may help but will not solve the challenge; cities have the competence in urban mobility and they are the key.
- Citizen and user engagement should be part of business sector; user's values are as important as operator considerations.
- Local businesses are frequently both providers and users.
- Regulating by typology (goods, tonnage of vehicle...) may create conflicts; it is required a deeper analysis.



ANNEX 6. Survey questionnaire



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Participant information sheet and consent form UNCHAIN

My name is Amparo López Vicente, I am a researcher of the UNCHAIN Project in IBV (Instituto de Biomecánica de Valencia). I would like to invite you to take part in an UNCHAIN Survey.

Please take time to read the following information carefully before you decide whether or not you wish to take part.

What is the aim of the research?

This research project aims to boost the cooperation between public authorities and logistics stakeholders moving towards climate-neutral and smart cities.

UNCHAIN project will implement a standardised and reliable data exchange ecosystem supported by a public-private collaborative framework that will allow the establishment of reliable data sharing agreements, break data silos and make the urban freight data more available and accessible. Driven by the unlocked data, an innovative set of 12 urban logistics services will be implemented to optimise the allocation of urban space, improve the policy-making capacity of local authorities and optimise network management and logistics operation.

Why have I been invited?

I have approached you because you are an eligible participant as a potential stakeholder involved in the urban logistic ecosystem. I would be very grateful if you would agree to take part in this research project.

What will I be asked to do if I take part?

If you are willing to participate in this research project, you will be asked to participate in a survey focused on investigating initiatives to improve city logistics, grouped in four categories: land use, environmental impact, traffic management, and service quality. It takes approximately 15 minutes to complete this survey, and all of your responses will be kept confidential and anonymous.

Do I have to take part?

No. It's completely up to you to decide whether or not you take part. Your participation is voluntary.

What if I change my mind?

If you change your mind, you are free to withdraw at any time during your participation in this research project.

Will my data be identifiable?

After the survey, the research team conducting this research will have access to the ideas you share with us. We will keep all personal information about you (e.g., your name and other information about you that can identify you) confidential, that is we will not share it with others. We will remove any personal information from the written record of your contribution.



How will we use the information you have shared with us and what will happen to the results of the research project?

We will use the information you have shared with us only in the following ways:

We will use it for research purposes only. This will include (e.g., identify the public-private needs in the logistics ecosystem, research reports, articles documents, and/or journal publication).

How my data will be stored

Your data will be stored in encrypted files (that is no-one other than us, the research team will be able to access them) and on password-protected computers. The research team will store hard copies of any data securely in locked cabinets in our office.

What if I have a question or concern?

If you wish to make a complaint or raise concerns about any aspect, please contact me and/or our research team. However, if you wish to discuss with a person who is not directly involved in the research, you can contact Raquel Marzo . The contact information is as follows $\underline{raquel.marzo@ibv.org}$.

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Thank you for considering your participation in this research project.

CONSENT FORM

(consent form follows).

By filling in the following form, I declare:

- 1. I confirm that I have read and understand the information sheet for the above research project. I have had the opportunity to consider the information, ask questions and have had these answered satisfactorily.
- 2. I understand that my participation is voluntary and that I am free to withdraw at any time during my participation in this research project and within 2 weeks after I took part in the research project, without giving any reason. If I withdraw within 2 weeks of taking part in the research project my data will be removed.
- 3. I understand that any information given by me may be used in future reports, academic articles, publications or presentations by the researcher(s), but my personal information will not be included and all reasonable steps will be taken to protect the anonymity of the participants involved in this project.
- 4. I understand that the information I will provide is related to identify the public and private needs in the urban logistics ecosystem, and to assess initiatives related to urban logistics organized in four categories (land use, environmental impact, traffic management, and service quality) and its related information.
- 5. I understand that any information I give will remain strictly confidential and anonymous and will be used exclusively for this research project.
- 6. I understand that my name/my organisation's name will not appear in any reports, articles or presentation without my consent.
- 7. I understand that my answers will be recorded, but my personal data (name, surname, email-address, ...) will not be saved or linked to my answers, so my contribution is anonymous and that the data will be protected on encrypted devices and kept secure.
- 8. I understand that data will be kept according to the University of Lancaster guidelines for a minimum of 10 years after the end of the research project.
- I agree to take part in the above research project.

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2. DELIVERY MODE CHARACTERIZATION (FOR LOGISTICS PROFESSIONALS)

* 8. What type of product do you mainly distribute during your journey? Matrix response by type and frequency. (You can choice more than one)

	Several times a day	Once a day	Twice - four a week	Twice - four a month	Occasionally	Urgent/on- demand deliveries	Never	Others
Metallurgy and construction	\circ	\circ	\circ	0	0	\circ	0	\circ
Machinery	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc
Automotive	\circ	\circ	0	\circ	0	\circ	0	\circ
Electronic devices and computing	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc
Household items (furniture, accessories, removals)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Textile: Clothing, footwear and accessories (distribution to point of sale)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Pharmacy, drugstore and cosmetics	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Press, stationery and elements for advertising	\circ	\circ	\circ	\circ	\circ	0	0	\circ
Food, drink, catering, cafeteria (distribution to point of sale)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
E-commerce deliveries. Purchases of household supplies, cleaning, food, takeaway food (distribution to the consumer)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Other (please specify)								



* 9. Indicate the type of load you work, according to its weight: (you can choice more than
one)
Light loads: these are loads that do not exceed 5 kg.
Medium loads: this type of merchandise has a minimum weight of 5 kg and a maximum of 25 per load unit.
Heavy loads: in this case, the weight varies between 25 kg and one ton.
Very heavy loads: greater than a ton.
* 10. Indicate the type of client with which you relate:
Point of sale / professional customer
Private customer (at home)
O Both
* 11. Please indicate the transport mode that you use: (you can choice more than one)
Scooter
Bike
Cargo bike
Motorcycle
Car
Small van (maximum load capacity of 800 kg)
Van (up to 3,500 kg).
N1 truck (up to 3,500 kg).
N2 truck (between 3,500 kg and 12,000 kg).
N3 truck (exceeds 12,000 kg).
Other (please specify)
* 12. Indicate the type of energy used by your delivery vehicle:
Manual vehicle
Electric vehicle
Hybrid vehicle
Fuel vehicle
Hydrogen or gas vehicle
13. Indicate the year of registration of the vehicle you use (or the years if there are several):



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Small areas for loading and unloading tasks, according to the size of the vehicle	0	0	0	0
Not enough loading and unloading areas	\circ	\circ	\bigcirc	\circ
Loading and unloading areas very far from the delivery point (there is a long distance and the	0	0	0	0



delivery time is increased)				
Occupation of loading and unloading areas by non-delivery vehicles	0	0	0	0
Very limited time of use of the loading and unloading area (insufficient for the type of delivery)	0	0	0	0
Fines for exceeding the established loading and unloading time	0	0	0	0
When releasing the area on time and the delivery is not completed, you have to look for a new parking lot	0	0	0	0
Increased circulation and greater mileage are generated by having to change the loading/unloading zone	0	0	0	0
Public road not suitable for delivery (access, asphalt, sidewalks, lack of bike lanes)	0	0	0	0
Access restrictions to certain areas	\circ	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc
Reduction in the number of street lanes	0	0	0	0
Difficult to park in areas with bike lanes	0	\circ	\bigcirc	\circ
Little tolerance from citizens due to noise, interference in activity with customers, different needs depending on the product	0	0	0	0
Failed deliveries. You do not have an alternative place to leave the parcel in his absence or if he cannot deal with you does not attend to you	0	0	0	0
Traffic congestion problems (traffic	0	0	0	



jams, delivery time delays)				
Difficulty in making decisions to change routes that avoid congested areas.	0	\circ	0	0
Very restrictive delivery schedule (difficulties to complete the daily delivery)	0	0	0	0
Different regulations in each city and municipality (difficult to know if you meet the access requirements)	0	0	0	0
Very restrictive regulations (access, noise, vehicle tonnage, type, age)	0	0	0	0
Lack of information to carry out efficient delivery routes	\circ	\circ	\circ	\circ
Lack of electric vehicle charging infrastructure	0	0	0	0
Insufficient or poorly targeted aid (does not consider the characteristics of the sector)	0	0	0	0
Navigation apps and shared data aimed at monitoring the activity	0	0	0	0
Too much delivery points and vehicles operating due to home deliveries	0	0	0	0
Other problems (please spec	rify)			



* 17. Please rate the importance of the following delivery and logistics requirements for you:

	Not applicable	No interest	Less important	Somewhat important	Important	Essential
Fastest and safest route to deliver a parcel	0	0	0	0	0	0
Efficiency of the route to reach the delivery point (the least km)	0	0	0	\circ	\circ	0
Time in delivering the product (loading and unloading)	0	0	0	0	0	0
Delivery of the product in good condition	\circ	0	\bigcirc	\circ	\circ	\circ
Delivery of the product at the agreed time (punctuality)	0	0	0	0	0	0
Safety process for the operator	\circ	0	\circ	\circ	\bigcirc	0
Customer satisfaction	0	0		0	0	0
Local regulatory compliance	\circ	\circ	0	0	\circ	0
Delivery on the first try	0	0	0	0	0	0
Delivery without order confusion	\bigcirc	\circ	\bigcirc	\circ	\bigcirc	\bigcirc
Process agility	0	0	0	0	0	0
Monitoring/traceability of the process	\circ	0		0	\circ	\bigcirc
Being able to make decisions during the process	0	0	0	0	0	0
Reduce CO2	\circ	\circ	\circ	\circ	\circ	\circ
Reduce noise	0	0	0	0	0	0
Reduce conflict and improve coexistence	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\circ	\bigcirc	\bigcirc
Incidence management and solution	0	0	0	0	0	0
Communication with the customer	0	0	0	0	\circ	0
Alternative delivery point when specific restrictions occur	0	0	0	0	0	0
Other (please specify)						



* 18. Please, indicate the level of satisfaction that do you have with the following requirements currently:

Fastest and safest					Satisfactory	satisfactory
route to deliver a parcel	0	0	0	0	0	\circ
Efficiency of the route to reach the delivery point (the least km)	\circ	\circ	0	\circ	\circ	\circ
Time in delivering the product (loading and unloading)	0	0	0	0	0	0
Delivery of the product in good condition	\bigcirc	\circ	\circ	\circ	\bigcirc	0
Delivery of the product at the agreed time (punctuality)	0	0	0	0	0	\circ
Safety process safety for the operator	\circ	\circ	\circ	\circ	\circ	0
Customer satisfaction	0	\circ	0	0	\circ	
Local regulatory compliance	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc
Delivery on the first try	0	0	0	0	\circ	\circ
Delivery without order confusion	\bigcirc	\circ	\circ	\circ	\circ	\circ
Process agility	0	0	0	0	0	
Monitoring/traceability of the process	\bigcirc	\circ	\circ	\bigcirc	\circ	\circ
Being able to make decisions during the process	0	0	0	0	0	0
Reduce CO2	\bigcirc	\circ	\circ	\circ	\circ	\circ
Reduce noise	0	0	0	0	0	
Reduce conflict and improve coexistence	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\circ	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc
Incidence management and solution	0	0	0	0	0	0
Communication with the customer	\circ	0	0	0	0	0
Alternative delivery point when specific restrictions occur	0	0	0	0	0	0





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4. POTENTIAL IMPROVEMENTS DURING THE ROUTE (TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT)

* 19. Four solutions to improve logistics related to traffic management are described below. Select the requirements in which the measures will generate a strong positive impact: (maximum three responses)

Linked solutions:

- \cdot **DATA STANDARDISATION** microservices. To provide a data exchange ecosystem with smart city data and logistics services.
- \cdot **PLANNING KIT** for facilities operators and urban planners. To monitor and forecast the freight demand and needs of UCCs for regulate and prioritize.
- \cdot $\,$ $\,$ ACTIVE UVARs. By using georeferencing to digitalise UVAR and temporary regulations and warn logistic drivers in advance.
- \cdot ROUTE PLANNING. To leverage and exploit the existing traffic data to develop advanced predictive models. Marks where the vehicle is and offer alternatives.

Requirements for each question:

	DATA STANDARDISATION	PLANNING KIT	ACTIVE UVARs	ROUTE PLANNING	APPLICABLE / No solution generates a positive impact on this requirement
Fastest and safest route to deliver a parcel					
Efficiency of the route to reach the delivery point (the least km)					
Time in delivering the product (loading and unloading)					
Delivery of the product in good condition					
Delivery of the product at the agreed time (punctuality)					
Safety process for the operator					
Customer satisfaction					
Local regulatory compliance					

NOT



- Dynamic management of **PICKUP/ DROP-OFF POINTS**. Keys of the design and features of these solutions to accommodate the interests of different stakeholders and dynamically manage requests and priorities.
- IT POP-UP DELIVERY POINTS management tool. Allow authorities, parking and UDCs/UCCs managers setting up geofences and reallocating public/private non-logistics spaces as popup delivery areas on-demand.

Requirements for each question:

	EFFICIENT LAND USE	LOADING ZONES PLANNING TOOL	CURB SIDE MANAGEMENT	PICKUP/ DROP-OFF POINTS	IT POP-UP DELIVERY POINTS	NOT APPLICABLE / No solution generates a positive impact on this requirement
Fastest and safest route to deliver a parcel						
Efficiency of the route to reach the delivery point (the least km)						
Time in delivering the product (loading and unloading)						
Delivery of the product in good condition						
Delivery of the product at the agreed time (punctuality)						
Safety process for the operator						
Customer satisfaction						
Local regulatory compliance						
Delivery on the first try						
Delivery without order confusion						
Process agility						
Monitoring/traceability of the process						
Being able to make decisions during the process						
Reduce CO2						
Reduce noise						
Reduce conflict and						



improve coexistence	\Box	\Box		
Incidence management and solution				
Communication with the customer				
Alternative delivery point when specific restrictions occur				



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6. OTHER ASPECTS TO IMPROVE THE LOGISTICS (ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT)

* 21. Four solutions to improve logistics related to environmental impact are described below. Select the requirements in which the measures will generate a strong positive impact: (maximum three responses)

Linked solutions:

- SUMPs AND SULPs GUIDANCE tool. To include the logistics in the decision-making process of sustainable urban mobility (different alternatives to CO2 reduction, to unify local regulations, to include metropolitan areas...)
- KNOWLEDGE POWERHOUSE for urban logistics guidance tool.
- Logistics operator **MONITORING system AND INCENTIVES.** Reward-based access policy through the definition of geographical and temporal rules monitoring the drivers' behaviour in daily operation against a "compliance index".
- Advanced Management IT Cockpit of **SHARED FACILITIES**. Space and cost-efficient sharing of resources at urban logistics hubs and consolidation centres.

Requirements for each question:

	SUMPs AND SULPs GUIDANCE	KNOWLEDGE POWERHOUSE	MONITORING system AND INCENTIVES	SHARED FACILITIES	APPLICABLE / No solution generates a positive impact on this requirement
The fastest route to deliver a parcel					
Efficiency of the route to reach the delivery point (the least km)					
Time in delivering the					



product (loading and								
unloading)				ш				
Delivery of the product in good condition								
Delivery of the product at the agreed time (punctuality)								
Safety process for the operator								
Customer satisfaction								
Local regulatory compliance								
Delivery on the first try								
Delivery without order confusion								
Process agility								
Monitoring/traceability of the process								
Being able to make decisions during the process								
Reduce CO2								
Reduce noise								
Reduce conflict and improve coexistence								
Incidence management and solution								
Communication with the customer								
Alternative delivery point when specific restrictions occur								
22. Finally, if the entity you represent wants to appear as a collaborator in this study, indicate the name of the entity:								



ANNEX 7. Survey results



UNCHAIN SURVEY RESULTS

A study to analyze logistics and distribution in Europe





Overview	01 USER CHARACTERIZACION
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Introduction and Description of the study sample

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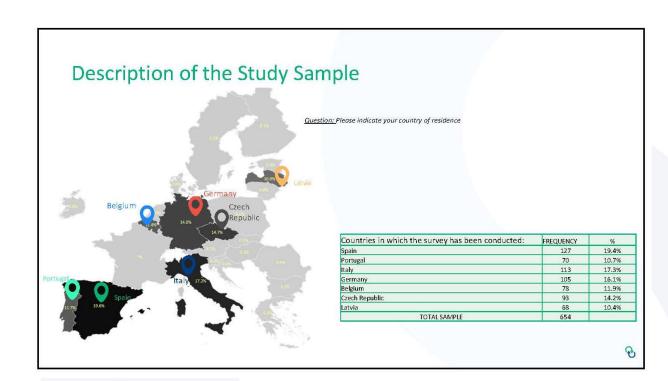
With the aim of obtaining the relative weight of the most relevant aspects related to urban logistics improvements identified through the qualitative research, we performed a survey in seven different countries. These countries are those represented in the UPPER consortium by pilot sites, i.e. Berlin-Germany, Florence-Italy, Madrid-Spain, Funchal-Portugal, Mechelen-Belgium, Prague-Czech Republic, and Riga-Latvia.

The answers were collected from November 8th 2023, to December 4th 2023.

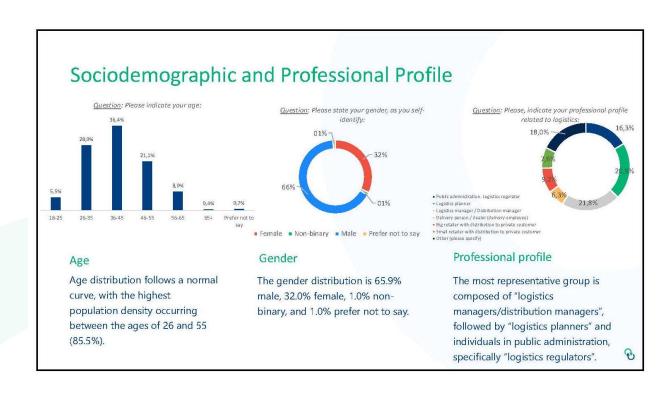
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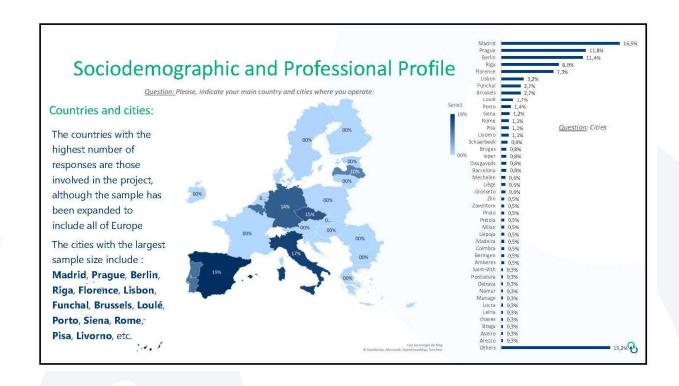
- The overall sample consists of 654 users from various European countries participating in the UNCHAIN project, including Belgium, the Czech Republic, Germany, Italy, Latvia, Portugal, and Spain. The sample was not stratified, making it representative of the overall population. The gender distribution is 66% male and 32% female.
- Geographically, the sample is predominantly located in major cities such as Madrid, Prague, Berlin, Riga, Florence, Lisbon, Funchal, Brussels, Loulé, Porto, Siena, Rome, Pisa, Livorno, and others.





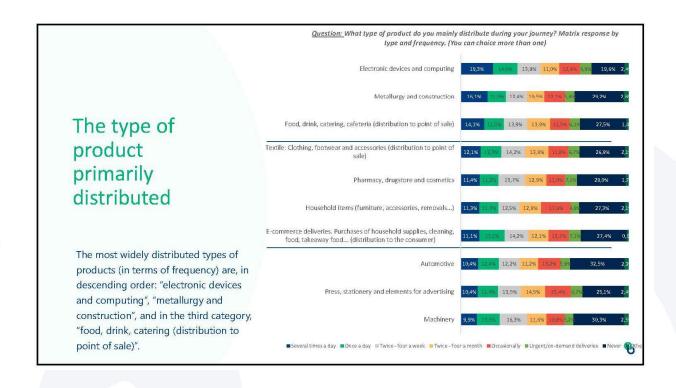




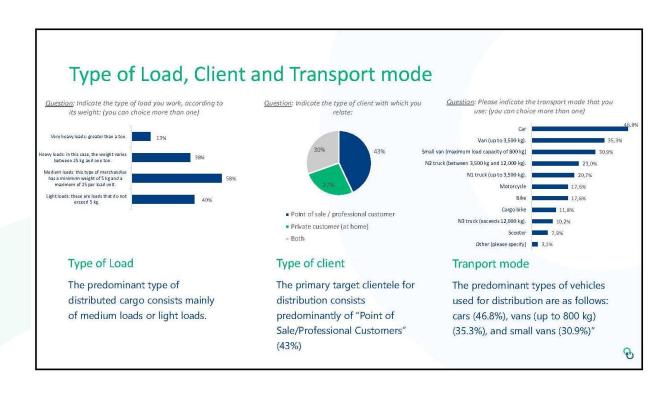


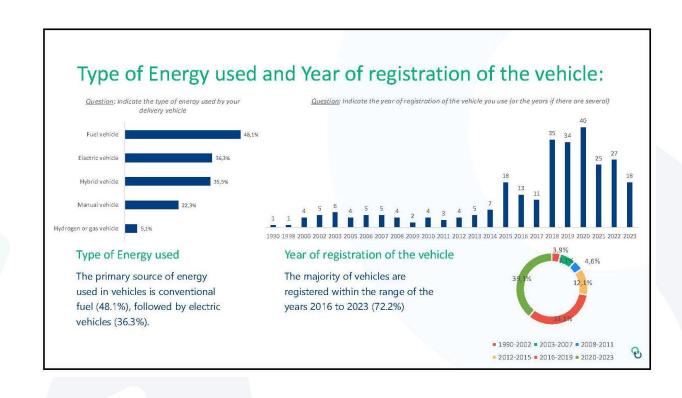




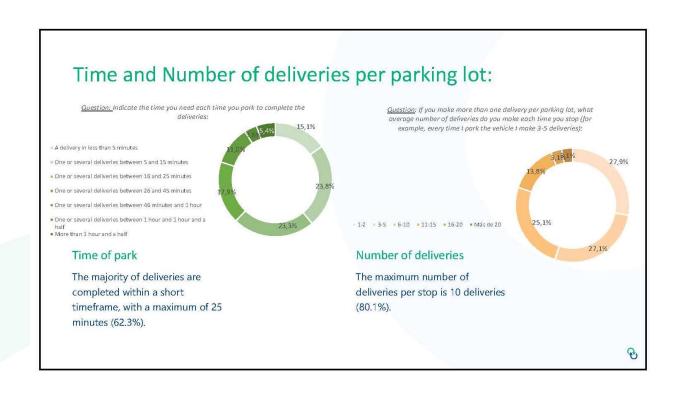






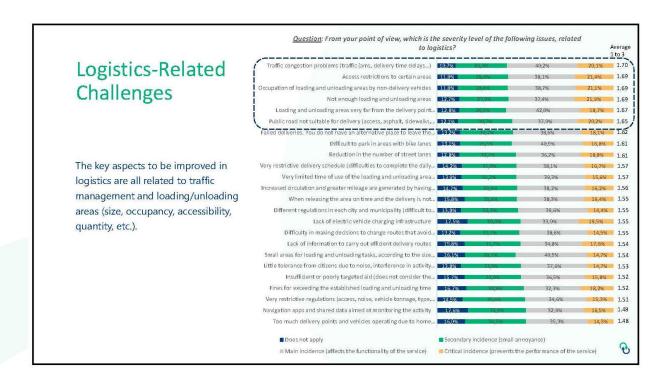


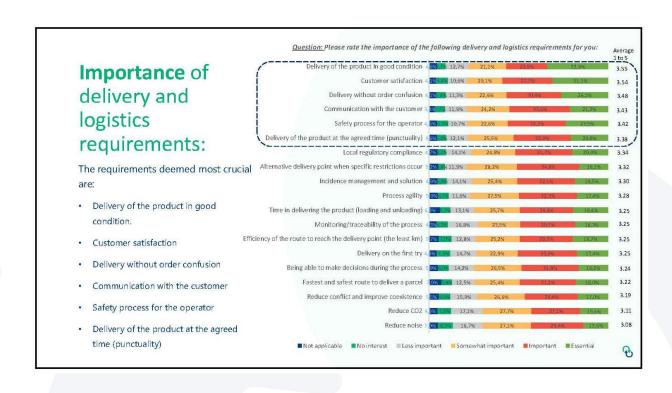




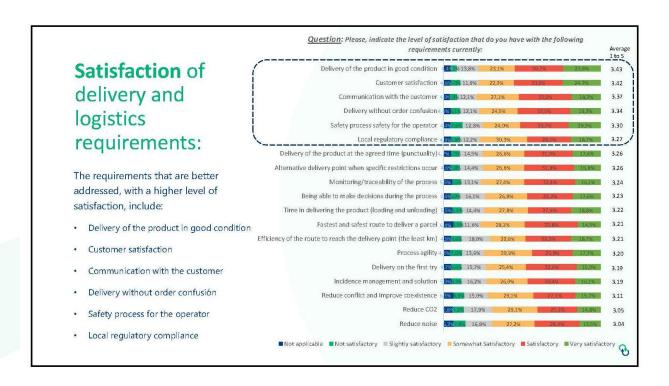


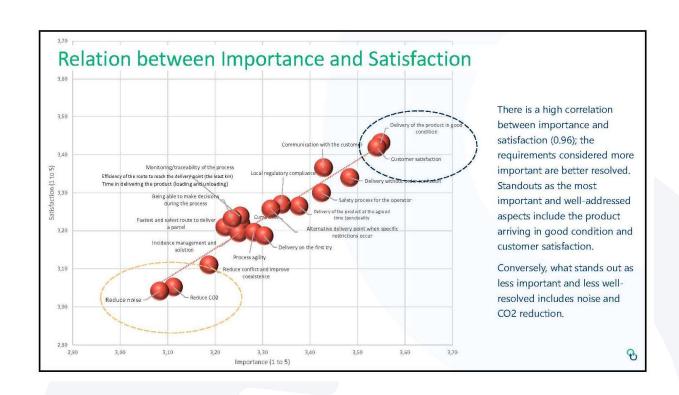




















POTENTIAL IMPROVEMENTS DURING THE ROUTE (TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT):

The most relevant traffic management KERs (key exploitable results), for improve the delivery routes, are:

- Route planning
- Planning kit

All the traffic management KERs generate a positive impact on logistics requirements.

WHAT AND HOW MATRIX	KER1 DATA STANDARDISATION	KER4 PLANNING KIT	KER6 ACTIVE UVARS	KER12 ROUTE PLANNING	NOT APPLICABLE / No solution generates a positive impact on this requirement
Fastest and safest route to deliver a parcel	31.0%	30.0%	23.7%	40.1%	5.5%
Efficiency of the route to reach the delivery point (the last km)	25.9%	34.0%	25.9%	37.7%	5.7%
Time in delivering the product (loading and unloading)	27.4%	33.2%	26.4%	32.1%	7.1%
Delivery of the product in good condition	24.4%	33.8%	27.8%	25.9%	12.3%
Delivery of the product at the agreed time (punctuality)	25.2%	34.0%	27.0%	36.6%	7.7%
Safety process for the operator	25.3%	32.9%	28.0%	28.8%	11.0%
Customer satisfaction	25.9%	33.3%	27.4%	30.8%	9.4%
Local regulatory compliance	26.1%	30.5%	31.9%	25.8%	10.1%
Delivery on the first try	23.0%	32,9%	27.4%	33.2%	9.9%
Delivery without order confusion	25.5%	35.1%	24.4%	29.2%	10.7%
Process agility	24.5%	33.8%	30.5%	29.2%	9.4%
Monitoring/traceability of the process	28.5%	32.4%	28.1%	31.3%	8.8%
Being able to make decisions during the process	25.6%	36.0%	26.1%	27.4%	10.7%
Reduce CO2	20.9%	30.2%	28.6%	30.0%	11.5%
Reduce noise	19.2%	29.9%	30.2%	24.5%	14.8%
Reduce conflict and improve coexistence	23.6%	32.1%	33.3%	28.5%	12.9%
Incidence management and solution	23.9%	32.9%	28.6%	29.4%	11.6%
Communication with the customer	26.7%	29.9%	29.4%	25.8%	12.4%
Alternative delivery point when specific restrictions occur	22.6%	34.1%	29.1%	31.8%	10.1%
TOTA	25.0%	32.7%	28.1%	30.4%	10.1%





POTENTIAL IMPROVEMENTS DURING PARK AND DELIVER (LAND USE):

The most relevant land use KERs (key exploitable results), for improve the park and delivery activities, are:

- Loading zones planning tool
- Pick up / Drop off points

All the land use KERs generate a positive impact on logistics requirements.

WHAT AND HOW MATRIX	KER3 EFFICIENT LAND USE	KER5 LOADING ZONES PLANNING TOOL	KER8 CURB SIDE MANAGEME NT	KER9 PICKUP/ DROP-OFF POINTS	KER10 IT POP-UP DELIVERY POINTS	NOT APPLICABLE / No solution generates a positive impact on this requirement
Fastest and safest route to deliver a parcel	32.4%	35.1%	24.3%	31.3%	13.8%	4.9%
Efficiency of the route to reach the delivery point (the last km)	28.0%	36.8%	27.0%	29.8%	13.8%	5.6%
Time in delivering the product (loading and unloading)	23.4%	35.8%	30.6%	32.6%	15.2%	5.1%
Delivery of the product in good condition	19.1%	32.7%	24.9%	30.8%	16.3%	10.5%
Delivery of the product at the agreed time (punctuality)	26.1%	42.0%	33.5%	39.3%	20.4%	7.4%
Safety process for the operator	20.0%	35.4%	31.7%	27.2%	14.7%	9.8%
Customer satisfaction	19.6%	28.7%	27.4%	34.2%	16.9%	10.3%
Local regulatory compliance	22.9%	35.4%	29.1%	28.0%	15.8%	9.0%
Delivery on the first try	19.9%	34.8%	26.8%	33.2%	16.7%	7.2%
Delivery without order confusion	20.1%	33.5%	23.6%	32.7%	13.7%	11.3%
Process agility	23.3%	36.9%	29.1%	28.4%	16.5%	8.2%
Monitoring/traceability of the process	18.9%	34.2%	27.1%	31.5%	16.9%	9.5%
Being able to make decisions during the process	18.6%	35.2%	27.0%	28.3%	14.1%	12.0%
Reduce CO2	21.0%	32.3%	26.3%	29.1%	14.9%	12.0%
Reduce noise	18.5%	30.7%	26.8%	28.6%	14.9%	12.7%
Reduce conflict and improve coexistence	21.2%	32.1%	28.9%	31.3%	12.5%	11.9%
Incidence management and solution	22.8%	31.3%	27.0%	27,6%	13.3%	13.3%
Communication with the customer	14.1%	31.1%	22.8%	29.7%	16.7%	13.5%
Alternative delivery point when specific restrictions occur	17.8%	33.1%	28.6%	35.8%	18.3%	8,3%
TOTAL	21.5%	34.1%	27.5%	31.0%	15.6%	9,6%







POTENTIAL ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT IMPROVENTS:

The most relevant KERs (key exploitable results), for improve the environmental impact, are:

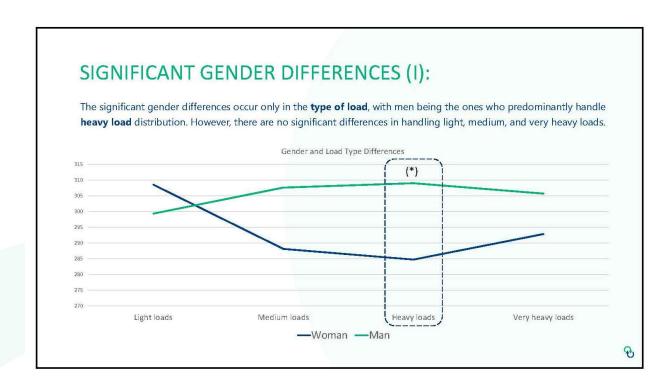
- Monitoring and incentives
- Knowledge powerhouse

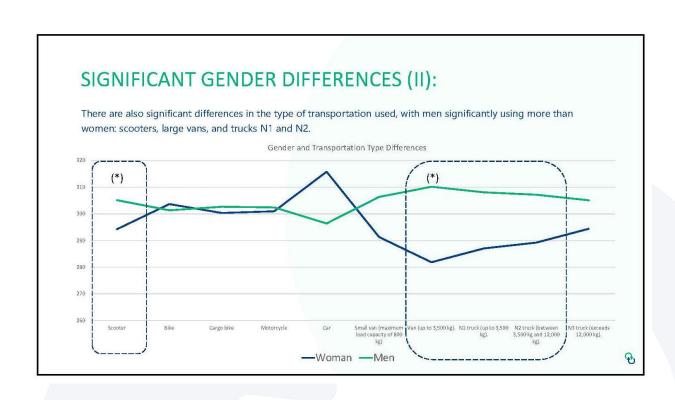
All the KERs related to environmental impact generate a positive impact on logistics requirements.

WHAT AND HOW MATRIX	KER2 SUMPS AND SULPS GUIDANCE	KER7 KNOWLEDGE POWERHOUSE	KER11 MONITORING AND INCENTIVES	KER13 IT Cockpit of SHARED FACILITIES	NOT APPLICABLE / No solution generates a positive impact on this requirement
Fastest and safest route to deliver a parcel	32.1%	34.1%	36.2%	22.8%	6.7%
Efficiency of the route to reach the delivery point (the last km)	30.6%	39.1%	36.1%	21.2%	5.9%
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Incidence management and solution	21.8%	36.2%	38.6%	21.5%	10.6%
Communication with the customer	18.4%	33.8%	38.8%	24.2%	12.5%
Alternative delivery point when specific restrictions occur	22.3%	32,5%	41.2%	26.3%	9.1%
TOTAL	24.5%	33.8%	38.1%	23.5%	9.9%











OTHER SIGNIFICANT DIFFERENCES (III):

TYPE OF LOAD:

 When carrying light loads, they use more scooters, bikes, cars, and small vans. However, when dealing with very heavy loads, they rely more on heavy-duty transportation, as expected.

TYPE OF ENERGY:

 Emphasize that when they have to distribute very heavy loads, they either do not use manual energy or use less manual energy.

CRITICAL INCIDENCE:

- In light loads, the aspect related to "Different regulations in each city and municipality (difficult to know if you meet the access requirements)" becomes significantly more critical.
- Within the medium loads, aspects related to "Little tolerance from citizens due to noise, interference in
 activity with customers, different needs depending on the product..." and "Insufficient or poorly targeted
 aid' become significantly more critical".



OTHER SIGNIFICANT DIFFERENCES (IV):

CRITICAL INCIDENCE:

- In **heavy loads**, aspects related to are significantly more critical:
 - Increased circulation and greater mileage are generated by having to change the loading/unloading zone,
 - Very restrictive regulations (access, noise, vehicle tonnage, type, age...),
 - · Lack of electric vehicle charging infrastructure and
 - Navigation apps and shared data aimed at monitoring the activity.
- In very heavy loads, the aspect related to "Little tolerance from citizens due to noise, interference in activities with customers, and varying needs depending on the product" becomes more critical.

IMPORTANCE AND SATISFACTION:

- In **light loads**, the level of satisfaction is highlighted in terms of "Delivery of the product in good condition" and "Being able to make decisions during the process".
- In medium loads, highlighted the <u>importance</u> of "Reduce noise" and the <u>satisfaction</u> of: "Fastest and safest route to deliver a parcel", "Reduce conflict and improve coexistence" and "Incidence management and solution".





OTHER SIGNIFICANT DIFFERENCES (V):

IMPORTANCE AND SATISFACTION:

- In heavy loads, highlighted the <u>importance</u> of "Delivery on the first try", "Monitoring/traceability of the process", "Being able to make decisions during the process"y "Reduce conflict and improve coexistence".
- Finally in very heavy loads, highlighted the <u>importance</u> of "Alternative delivery point when specific restrictions occur".







IMPORTANCE AND SATISFACTION CRITERIA:

- There is a high correlation between importance and satisfaction (0.96); the requirements considered more important are
 better resolved, which are: Delivery of the product in good condition, Customer satisfaction, Delivery without order confusion,
 Communication with the customer, Safety process for the operator, and Delivery of the product at the agreed time
 (punctuality).
- The most widely distributed types of products are electronic devices and computing, metallurgy and construction, and in the
 third category, food, drink, catering (distribution to point of sale). Many of them use large vehicles (large vans and trucks) in
 their distribution.
- Heavy loads (men being the ones who predominantly handle heavy load distribution) have greater critical incidences in issues
 such as: Very restrictive regulations due to their features (access, noise, vehicle tonnage, type, age...), Lack of electric vehicle
 charging infrastructure, Navigation apps and shared data aimed at monitoring the activity, Little tolerance from citizens due
 to noise, interference in activities with customers and Increased circulation and greater mileage are generated by having to
 change the loading/unloading zone.
- Finally, Delivery on the first try, Monitoring/traceability of the process, Being able to make decisions during the process and
 Alternative delivery point when specific restrictions occur, are interesting aspects to improve to a better satisfaction due their
 relevance for a heavy goods.



POTENTIAL IMPROVENTS:

All the identified requirements are linked with one or more than one UNCHAIN KER (key exploitable result).

The most strength relationships are established with the next requirements: The fastest route to deliver a parcel; Time in delivering the product (loading and unloading); Delivery of the product at the agreed time (punctuality).

The most valuated KER are: Monitoring and incentives; Loading zones planning tool; Knowledge powerhouse; Planning kit;

The requirements that are perceived to be outside the scope of the KEYs, are: Safety process for the operator; Process Agility; To make decisions during the process; Reduce CO2; Reduce noise; Reduce conflict and improve coexistence; Incidence management and solution; and Communication with the customer.

The fastest route to deliver a parcel Time in delivering the product (loading and unloading)

Delivery of the product at the agreed time (punctuality)
Efficiency of the route to reach the delivery point (the least km)

Delivery of the product in good condition

Customer satisfaction

Local regulatory compliance

Delivery on the first try

Delivery without order confusion

Monitoring/traceability of the process

Alternative delivery point when specific restrictions occur

Safety process for the operator

Process agility

Being able to make decisions during the process

Reduce CO2

Reduce noise

Reduce conflict and improve coexistence

Incidence management and solution

Communication with the customer





ANNEX 8. Data summary

DATA	Δ.	Format	Responsible	Storage	Storage	Integrity	Compatibility with other	Confidentiality
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