



## UNCHAIN NEWS #3

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Welcome to our project news



Welcome to the third UNCHAIN news! In the past months many interesting developments happened in our beloved UNCHAIN project. We were featured in prominent European events, and had our third General Assembly in Berlin. Additionally, we just kicked-off our WP6, about the large scale pilot demonstrations.

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### Project Milestones

The UNCHAIN project is coming into an interesting new phase that is marked by the kick-off of Work Package 6 (WP6), titled "**Large-scale Demonstration in the Demo Sites, Evaluation, and Impact Assessment.**" The WP is lead by our partner VMZ. In the project's first year and a half, all partners have prepared for the actual pilot demonstration activities, therefore, this new chapter is a truly interesting one for all participating cities and also for the technical partners.

In our first year, UNCHAIN partners successfully submitted seven deliverables, all approved by the European Commission. These reports were a true team effort, showcasing our partners' hard work and dedication. Currently, the different partners are preparing three new deliverables due in month 18 and four due in month 20.



## See all our deliverables

Our websites' resources page has all material for you to gain a deeper understanding of our project work.

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## Our partner meeting in Berlin

On September 26th and 27th, the UNCHAIN team gathered in Berlin, one of our Living Labs, for a productive General

Assembly. Katharina Kroger (Berlin city - Head of Division, Mobility Policy, and Transport Development Planning) welcomed participants, followed by coordinator Elena Garcia (ETRA), who shared key project updates and deliverables.

The event included exchanges between developers and UNCHAIN cities, highlighted by ETRA presenting the status of the project's data dashboard. The day ended with a SWOT exercise and a cruise on the Spree, offering insights into Berlin's logistics landscape.

The second day featured presentations on impact assessment (WP6), business innovation (WP7), and communication strategies (WP8), introducing the new Knowledge Powerhouse content repository. The assembly concluded with partners ascending the Berlin city tower, embodying the belief that in UNCHAIN, the sky is the limit!

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## Stakeholder Group with cities and experts

We are now collaborating with five peer cities and with many logistics and mobility experts under our Stakeholder Group. After a very successful kick-off meeting in June, we are busy preparing many engaging activities for the group this fall.

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## Not too late to join

The UNCHAIN project is excited to welcome new voices to our expert group. If you're a city eager to become an early adopter of our innovative urban logistics services or an expert in urban logistics interested in contributing to and reflecting on our work,

we want to hear from you! Reach out to us at [info@unchainproject.eu](mailto:info@unchainproject.eu), and our team will get in touch with you shortly. Join us in shaping the future of sustainable urban logistics!

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## Event Attendance

In recent months, the UNCHAIN project has been actively participating in key events to showcase our progress and engage with stakeholders in sustainable urban logistics.

In April, we have attended the **Transport Research Arena 2024** addition as part of the ALICE Innovation Village. After the summer break, we were happy to be featured in the annual **CIVITAS Forum** and in the **CSuM** programmes. Additionally, we were also part of the **Urbanism Next Europe** conference and **IRF World Congress** in Istanbul.

Looking ahead, we are excited to prepare for our upcoming participation in the **Smart City Expo World Congress** and the **POLIS Conference**, where we aim to further strengthen our network and disseminate knowledge on our ongoing initiatives. Each event serves as a vital opportunity for collaboration and advancing our mission in urban logistics!



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## **CIVITAS Deployment programme visits Riga - our beautiful follower city**

The **CIVITAS Replication and Deployment Programme** conducted a study visit to **Riga**, one of the UNCHAIN project's Follower Cities. This visit, part of the first cycle of the CIVITAS Programme, brought together urban mobility experts, and local stakeholders to learn from the experience of the Champion cities of Utrecht (NL) and Warsaw (PL) to address Riga's placemaking challenges.

This programme is highly special to the UNCHAIN project, as four of our amazing cities are participating. Under the topic of "Placemaking and participatory processes", Riga has been selected as a Challenge City, while Prague and Madrid as Champion Cities. In the category of "Sustainable Urban Logistics", Funchal is participating as a Challenge City.

We deeply appreciate this initiative by CIVITAS to support cities in knowledge sharing and deepen collaboration in the CIVITAS community.





## UNCHAIN at the CIVITAS Forum

Read everything you need to know about our contribution to the CIVITAS Forum.

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## EMT Madrid at Urbanism Next Europe

Read everything about our participation in Urbanism Next Europe.

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## The partners meet in Berlin

Read about our third general assembly in September 2024.

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## CIVITAS Programme arrives at Riga

Riga and Funchal got successfully accepted as a Challenge City

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## UPS shares insights on sustainability

Read more about the vital role of logistics in a sustainable future.

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## Attend the POLIS Conference 2024

Many of the UNCHAIN project partners are going to attend and present project findings at Karlsruhe.

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## Attend the Smart City Expo World Congress

Different UNCHAIN partners are going to attend to show you our interesting developments and more.

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