#### **SMARTA 2 – Demonstrators**

SUSTAINABLE SHARED MOBILITY INTERCONNECTED WITH PUBLIC TRANSPORT IN EUROPEAN RURAL AREAS













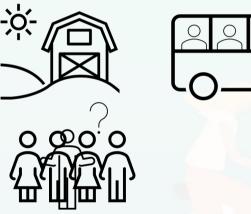


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# Why SMARTA 2? Two reasons

The effects of urbanisation





- Demand for public transport drops
- What about the people who are left behind?







### Why SMARTA 2? Two reasons

Transport noise, emissions and climate change











- Road transport accounts for 82% of the transport GHG emissions
- Transport is responsible for more than half of all NOX emissions
- Road traffic affects some 100 million people



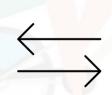
# What can be done? One-size-fits-all approaches do not work

We need solutions that appreciate local context.

We cannot copy paste solutions. Each rural area has unique properties

- Geography
- Weather conditions
- Social and cultural norms

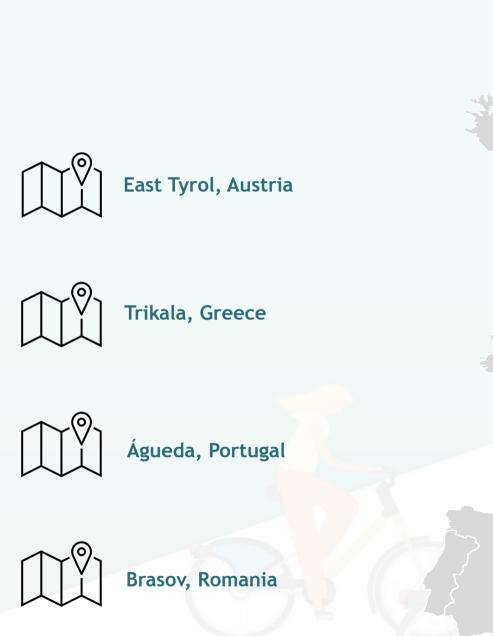






However, we can transfer solutions. Learning what works is a cumulative process.







### How does SMARTA2 power rural areas? Our demonstrators

Diverse contexts. Diverse solutions

East Tyrol, Austria



Expansion of e-carsharing with 5 stations and 4 electric vehicles

Trikala, Greece



Development of an app integrating real-time bus information, carpooling & other services

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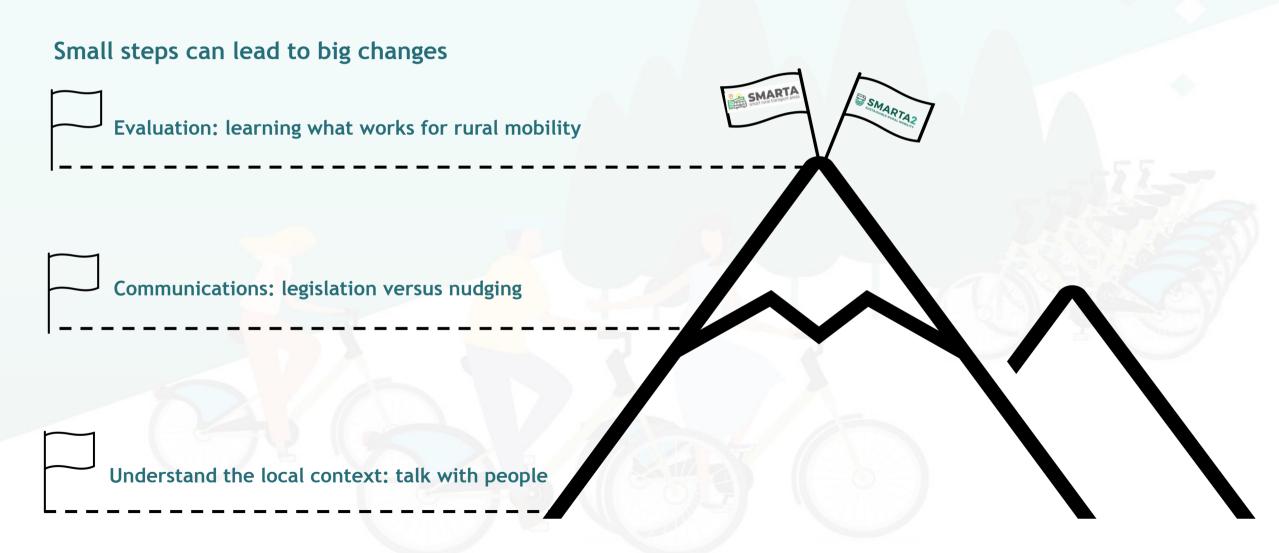
Expansion of e-bike sharing scheme in rural areas with 5 e-bike stations and 15 e-bikes

#### Brasov, Romania



Development of an app integrating carpooling & public transport

### SMARTA 2 approach in a nutshell Milestones



# What makes SMARTA 2 special Three important aspects

1. Understanding local context: talking with people

Top-down solutions are not always successful... Does each rural have:

- The same mobility problems?
- The same cultural and social norms?
- The same ecosystem of stakeholders?

If these are different - should not solutions be different too?

At SMARTA 2 we learn about the local communities we are working with and build together with them.

- Scoping Studies
- Consultation and Validation Workshops & other meetings
- Demonstration meetings
- Feedback Surveys

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2. Communications: legislation versus nudging

Legislation often causes opposition or negative externalities. Plus, it is expensive. On the other hand, nudging is not

✓ Word of mouth







✓ Local media



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#### **SMARTA 2 Nudges**





#### **Key features:**

- Non-coercive
- Easy-to-implement
- Harness behavioural aspects
- Low opportunity cost

#### Key idea

- Harness behavioural aspects
- Design an inclusive & exclusive message
- Gauge their effectiveness





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3. Evaluation: learning what works in rural mobility



We are not re-inventing the wheel. Rather, we work with what is already there.



Putting the SMARTA Evaluation Framework into practice.

#### SMARTA2 Toolkit | SMARTA Good practices

#### Moving rural mobility forward

Useful resources towards a shared and sustainable future



Together with SMARTA, our vision is to create an evidence-base on rural mobility

Help mobility practitioners...

- ✓ Know the options that are available
- ✓ Assess their feasibility, costs and benefits
- ✓ Engage with their local ecosystem
- ✓ Communicate with their community
- ✓ Build the future of shared mobility in rural areas

#### Thank you.



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Any questions?

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