



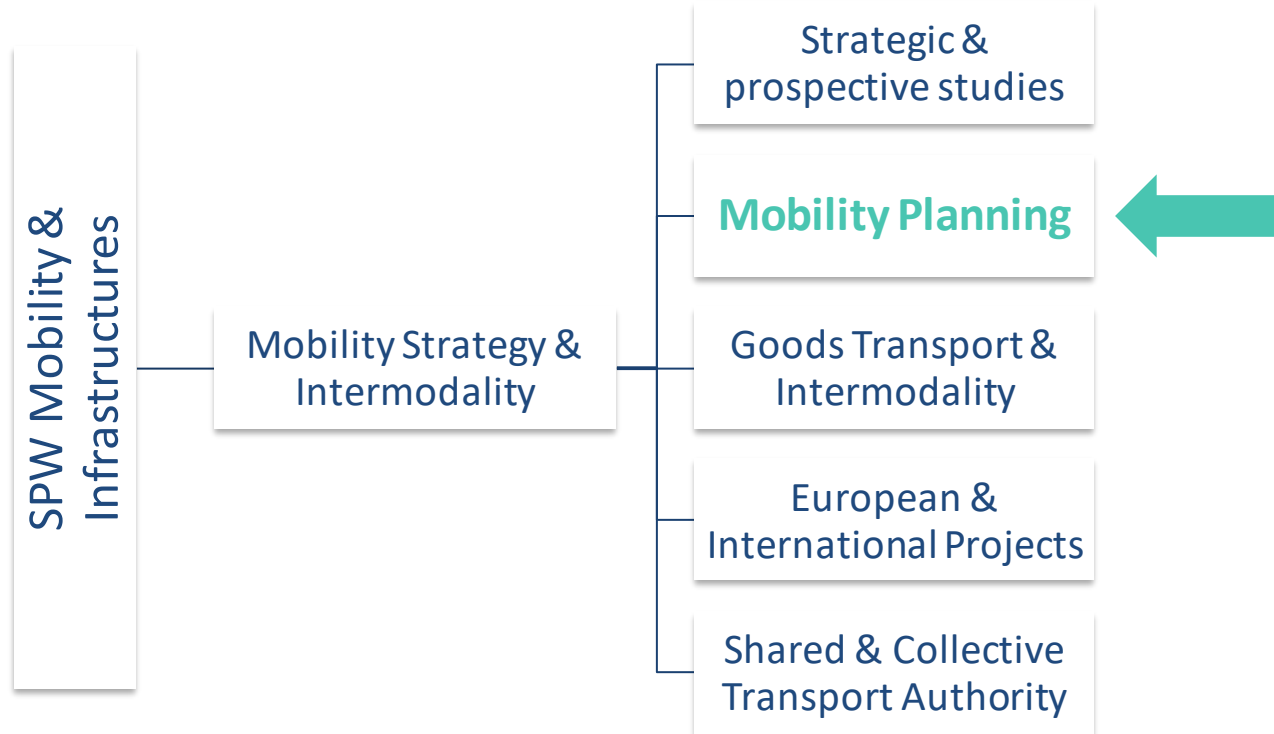
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Experience in Wallonia, Belgium

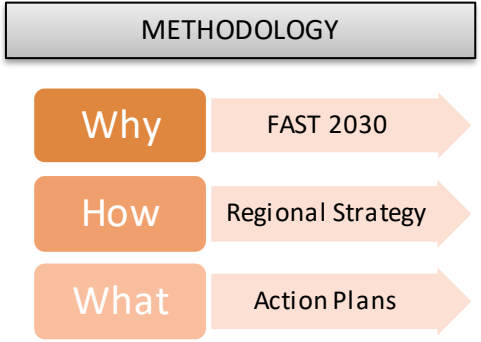
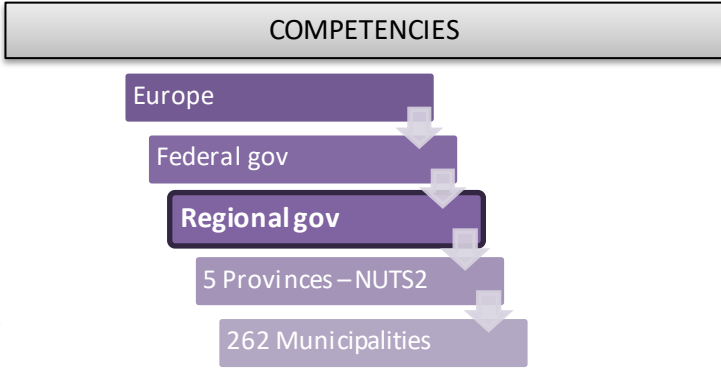
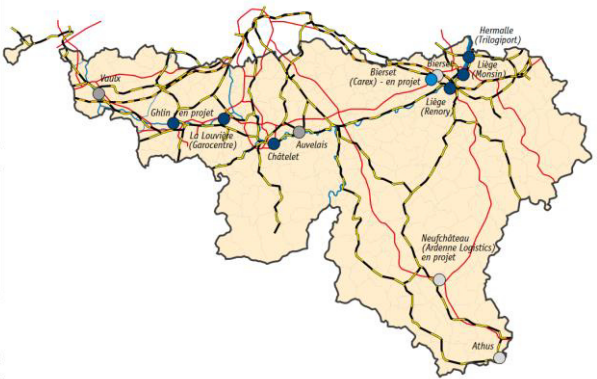
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Transport Networks & Mobility in Wallonia



Transport Network Density	Wallonia	Belgium	EU-27
Highways			
km/1 000 km ²	52	58	15
km/million inhabitants	248	163	134
All roads			
km/1 000 km ²	4821	5089	1102
km/million inhabitants	23213	14318	9547
Railways			
km/1 000 km ²	98	X 2,4	49
km/million inhabitants	472	330	425
Waterways			
km/1 000 km ²	27	50	9
km/million inhabitants	129	140	81

	FEDERAL	REGIONAL	MUNICIPAL
RAIL	Infrastructure (Infrabel) Train services (SNCB / NMBS) Private actors for Goods		Services / Infra around Train Stations
BUS / TRAM		Regional Company (TEC)	
WATER		Management of Waterways Network	
ROADS		Highways and National Roads	Municipal Roads





Legal Framework



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2004 – Mobility & Local accessibility

Tools & Processes for Mobility Planning

Urban Mobility Plans (7 urban areas)

- 100% Regional Funding
- Public Enquiry
- Plan adoption by all Municipal Govs
- Plan adoption by Regional Gov

Municipal Mobility Plans (262 municipalities)

- 75% Regional Funding
- Regional Technical and Administrative Assistance
- Plan adoption by Municipal Gov

Municipal Subsidiarity

Searching for Coherence:
Regional > Urban Area > Municipality

Citizen & Local associations Participation

Regional & Municipal Calendars

Environmental Assessment Report

Yearly Reporting

- Mandatory for each Municipality or Urban Area
- Incentive for bigger cities (HR funding)



2018 – Public Transport

Creation of Regional Transport Authority (public transport strategy)

Creation of 6 Mobility Zones for Public Transport



2022 – Cycling Policy

Action Plan « Cycling »

Regional Cycle Network

Regional Funding to Municipalities for Active Mobility

Action Plan « Walking »

Regional Funding to Municipalities

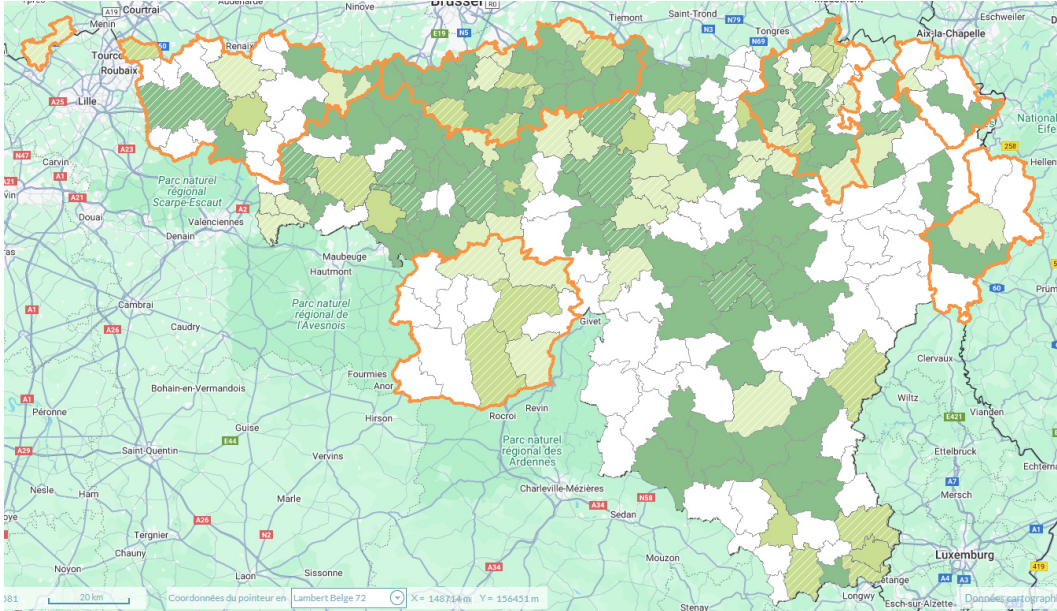
Mobility Plans / Studies (75% -> 100%)

Infrastructure: 3-year program

Since 2022: Infrastructure & Services dedicated to Active Mobility & Multimodality

Funding conditional => Be consistent with the Plans

SUMP Uptake – Regional coverage




SUMP Coverage	% adopted #	% adopted pop
Municipal Mobility Plans 262 municipalities	65%	85%
Urban Mobility Plans 7 urban areas	29% Liège (2019) Charleroi (2024)	33%

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Multimodal Expertise

- Project Planning
- Spatial Planning
- Road Projects
- Public Transport
- Training
- Networking 

25 anniversary !

Methods

- Public Tendering
- 2004 Regulation
- SUMP
- TEN-T -> Urban Nodes

Funding

- Studies: 75%
- HR: Mobility Experts
- 3-Year Program
 - Infrastructure & active mobility
- European Funding 

→ Consistency

- Plans funded by the region
- Planning scales
- « *Indicative documents* » -> **Alignment!**



ADVISING on calls to projet

RELAYING information between municipalities and regional/European institutions

COORDINATING advices issued by the regional administration

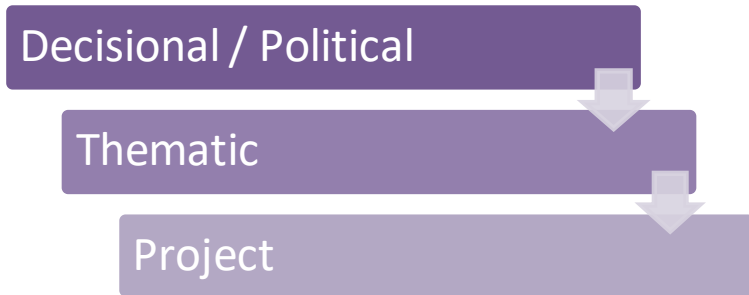
CONTROLLING expenses, budgets, project statuses.

Governance Maturity

Regional Governance per Urban Area



New Regional Governance
New Legal Framework ?



2019 – SUMP Liège 2024 – SUMP Charleroi

Regional Assistance

Supra-local / Supra-municipal initiatives → Synergies

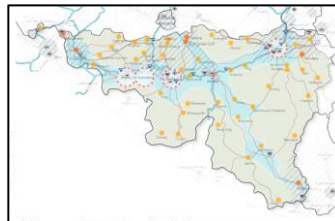
Local / Municipal planning



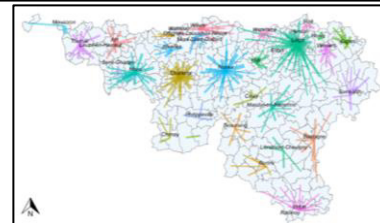
1 **1 SUMP per Urban Node by 2027**

LIEGE	CHARLEROI	OTTIGNIES LLN	NAMUR	ARLON
UPDATE+ IMPLEMENT + MONITOR	IMPLEMENT + MONITOR	ADOPT	ADOPT	ADOPT

1 Spatial Planning – « Poles »
New Regional Framework 2024



2 Mobility Planning
Based on Transport Flows ?



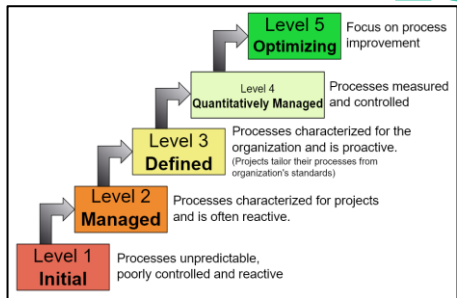
3 Regional **THEMATIC** governance

4 Planning Tools at Local / Municipal Level ?

EU SUMP Process – Self-Assessment

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Main challenge: no political/administrative entities governing the urban areas

FOR MUNICIPALITIES
At the discretion of each municipality (very variable commitment for this task)

FOR URBAN AREAS
Strong ambition to increase the regional monitoring right from the SUMP implementation start, with a more systematic information to the general public

The SUMP contains a high level cost estimate and funding source per measure, there is no commitment at this stage

It is part of the process, but often not to a level that matches the measures' granularity or available data

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Monitoring & Evaluation – Regional Initiatives



OUTPUT indicators

- Regional Mobility Dashboard (see next slide)
- Active Mobility Observatory
- Indicator definition in SUMPs (Liège / Charleroi)
but lack of data availability analysis and data collection
- Yearly reporting from 10 biggest cities (incl. 3 urban nodes):
 - Project status vs Plan, Output Indicators.



RESULT indicators

- Municipal choice to use a « QuickScan » tool: measure deadline, status, challenges, funding...
- SUMP Liège – 5-year implementation report

Regional Mobility Dashboard

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PERSONS

MODAL SHARES



REASONS



VEHICLE FLEET



GHG EMISSIONS



GOODS

MODAL SHARES



V X KM



PASSENGERS X KM



KG X KM



ROAD TRAFFIC FATALITIES



VEHICLE FLEET



EU Recommendations:

National SUMP platform

Cross-sectoral cooperation
and leadership

SUMP Guidance

Financial support

Assessment tools










Bespoke advice and support

Legislation

Wallonia Achievements & Challenges:

- « **Community of practice** » and **Trainings**
 - But this expertise remains often « municipality centric »
 - → Challenging to make other planning scales appealing without a structural regional governance change for mobility planning
- **Priorities**: funding entities ≠ governing entities
- Awareness raising and actions => **reduce silos**
 - But tools, funding mechanism and ministries yet to harmonize
- **Regional funding and assistance** to municipalities for SUMP adoption
 - But **implementation** remains largely in the hands of municipalities or external regional actors. Systematic regional **assessment** of SUMP implementation is challenging.
- **Regional legal framework**: 20 year old
 - New framework is required
 - Directions to be determined (funding, governance, planning scales, priorities...)
- **TEN-T** and other **EU Regulations** are helpful and must drive the regional vision.

We want to do more of ...

-  Planning per logical **Mobility Zone** (transport flows and attraction poles)
-  Focus on our **5 Urban Nodes** and their Functional Urban Area
-  **Cross-Border** planning
-  **Data Inventory**, with municipalities → The right source for the right data
-  Regular and transparent **Public Communication** on SUMP implementation
-  **Cross-Sectorial** synergies: spatial planning, health, environment, energy...
-  Take **Monitoring** to the next level !
-  **Agility**: target the priority / critical challenges at the right geographical scale
-  **Integrate** SUMP governance with funding at all levels