

In the framework of the European funded project MOMENTUM (Modelling Emerging Transport Solutions for Urban Mobility) the Municipality of Thessaloniki and Hellenic Institute of Transport, which is part of CERTH (Centre for Research and Technology Hellas), organized on 1st of July a virtual meeting with local stakeholders who deal with planning and making decisions on urban mobility. The topic of the meeting was : “The application of the Decision Support Tool on decision making for mobility matters in the city of Thessaloniki”.

The main goal of the meeting was in the first place the presentation of the Decision Support Tool which was developed by Hellenic Institute of Transport and secondly the discussion on the contribution of the tool to the evaluation of the consequences of new mobility services in Thessaloniki with the local stakeholders.

The participants were representatives of different stakeholders of the city , either private or public, and specifically they were : TheTA (Transport Authority of Thessaloniki) , OASTH (operator of public transport), the Municipality of Pilea – Hortiatis, the electric scooter sharing company Rise, the bike sharing company THESSBIKE and representatives from the Municipality of Thessaloniki and Hellenic Institute of Transport.

In the beginning of the meeting, Dr. Georgia Aifantopoulou , Research director and Deputy Director of Hellenic Institute of Transport, greeted the participants and consequently so did Mr. Dimitris Mitrou, technical consultant of the Mayor of Thessaloniki. Afterwards, dr. Josep Maria Salanova Grau, Senior Researcher of Hellenic Institute of Transport , presented a demo version of the Decision Support Tool .

After the presentation finished, the participants expressed their thoughts, comments and remarks on the tool. The feedback was very encouraging and promising since the participants were very interested in the tool and its utility in planning and decision making process of sustainable mobility in cities. Moreover, the key performance indicators that have been set were considered to be insightful.

The next meeting of local stakeholders will take place in November of 2021 where the outcome of the application of the Decision Support Tool in Thessaloniki will be presented and the local stakeholders will evaluate it.

You can get more info regarding the project from its official [webpage](#) and from the municipality’s portal [here](#). You can also stay updated by following the project via its social media accounts ([twitter](#), [linkedin](#)).

You can view a photo of the online meeting [here](#)*.