# Sustainable urban transformations: only in medium-sized cities?

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#### What to expect

- 1. Encouraging cycling as a daily transport mode for everyone
  - PRESTO project
- 2. Cycling and walking as a means to reduce urban congestion
  - FLOW project
- 3. Examples, resources and inspiration





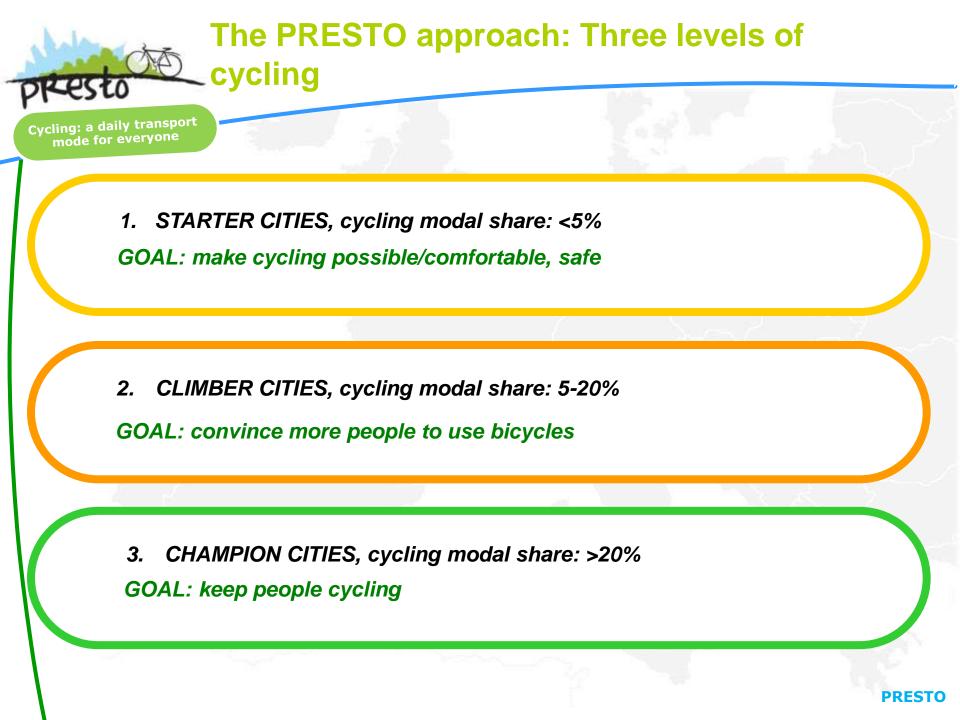
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# PRESTO Cycling: a daily transport mode for everyone

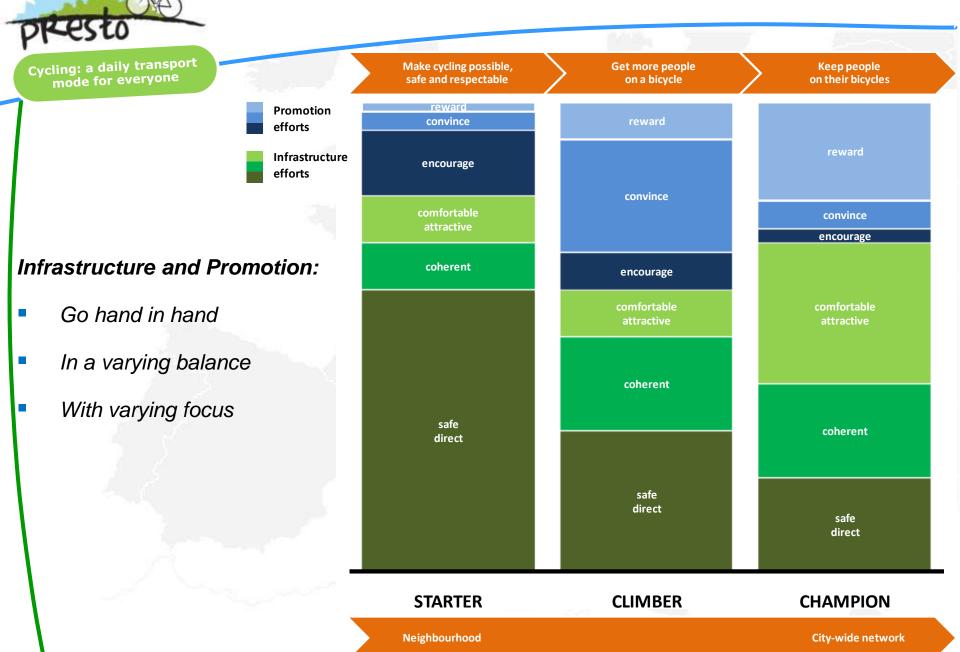
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#### Implementation strategies for cycling in cities



**Lessons learnt** 

Cycling: a daily transport mode for everyone

#### 1. STARTER CITIES, cycling modal share <5%

- Infrastructure is the best promotion
- Inexpensive infrastructure can make a big difference
- Reach for "low-hanging fruit"
- Ask your experts
- 2. CLIMBER CITIES, cycling modal share 5-20%
- Maintain and extend what you have
- Infrastructure is not enough
- Don't forget other road users
- Why not share bikes?
- 3. CHAMPION CITIES, cycling modal share >20%
- Promotion it never ends
- Park and celebrate
- Pedelecs as multipliers
- Count your cyclists



# Cycling and Walking: Causes of Congestion or Solutions to it?

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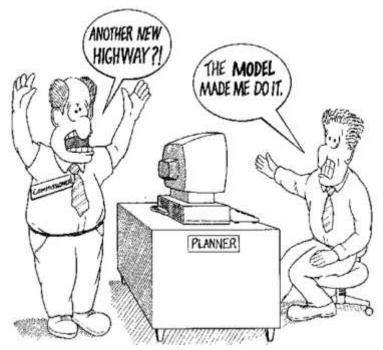


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### **Bringing two worlds together**

• Transport modelling is taken seriously to predict and provide for future transport



• Cycling and walking are playing a larger role in people's transport choices.



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## Walking and Cycling in Planning and Modelling

#### **Strategic planning**

- Macroscopic modelling
- Walking and cycling in transport development plans

#### **Operational planning**

- Microscopic modelling
- Interaction with other modes at intersections

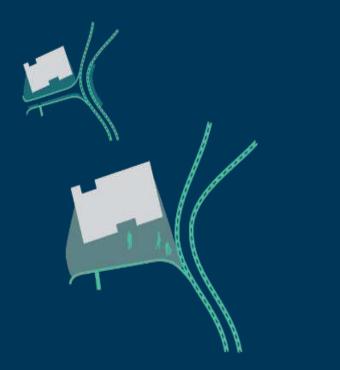


# WALKING, CYCLING AND CONGESTION



#### QUICK FACTS FOR CITIES





New public square improves mobility and accommodates

700

MEASURE: Pedestrianising a road segment LOCATION: Dublin, Ireland

more people during rush hour

**SOURCE:** Dublin City Council – College Green Project 2015.







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Narrowing roads to reduce crossing distance for pedestrians **does not increase** congestion

MEASURE: Reducing pedestrian crossing distances LOCATION: Lisbon, Portugal

SOURCE:

Lisbon City Council, Pedestrian Accessibility Plan Team (2017): Estudo da Percepção do Indivíduo na Modificação do Espaço Público: Comportamentos e percepções de peões antes e após obras de requalificação na Rua Alexandre Herculano.







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# Complete streets

# Complete Streets by Design Toronto streets redesigne (for all ages and abilities) Complete Streets tcat toronto centre for AND Jean Al



#### **AAA** infrastructure

#### All Ages and Abilities (AAA)

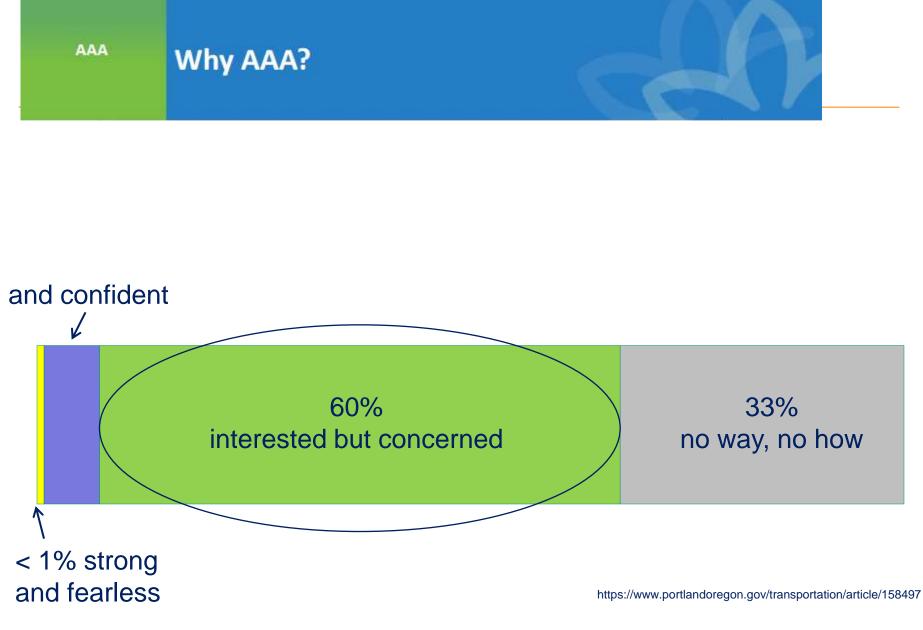


Reduce car speed and volume



**Physical separation** 







#### **National Association of City Transportation Officials**





http://nacto.org/publication/urban-bikeway-design-guide/







#### **New York**

# New York (2007): "That won't work here. We're not Copenhagen."





Elsewhere in the USA (2013): "That won't work here. We're not New York."



### Thank you for your interest and attention

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2007: "The case for physically separated bike lanes"

- 2007: "Ciclovía: Bogota, Colombia
- 2010: "Cycling Copenhagen through North American eyes"
- 2011: Complete Streets: It's About More than Bike Lanes"
- 2011: "Moving Beyond the Automobile"





#### **Reading suggestions**

- The Death and Life of Great American Cities (1961) Jane Jacobs
- Streetfight: Handbook for an Urban Revolution (2016) Janette Sadik-Khan
- Happy City: Transforming Our Lives Through Urban Design (2013) Charles Montgomery
- The High Cost of Free Parking (2005) Donald Shoup
- Joyride: Pedalling Toward a Healthier Planet (2010)
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