

Panel Debate: Shifting Gears – Transformative Pathways in Cycle Logistics and E-Micromobility

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The Urban Mobility Challenge

- Automobility is a powerful system, shaping infrastructures, cultures, and economies
- Cities face rising freight demand, congestion, and climate targets that strain this model
- This creates both openings and obstacles for alternatives

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Cycling & E-Micromobility: Promise & Limits

- **Promise:** low-carbon, flexible, space-efficient
- **Limits:** still niche; infrastructure, safety & scaling challenges
- **Labor & Justice:** cycle courier precarity, uneven access

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Today’s Panellists

Noel Cass, University of Leeds

Graeme Sherriff, University of Salford

Karen Gregory, University of Edinburgh

Alexander Paulsson, Lund University

Jens Alm, VTI

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Session Structure

Let the panellists speak:

- Section 1: Rethinking the Automobility Paradigm (Noel Cass)
- Section 2: E-Cargo Bikes and Sustainable Transitions (Graeme Sherriff)
- Section 3: Cycle logistics and its tension between commerce and transformation (Alexander Paulsson, Jens Alm, Annika Otto)
- Section 4: Platform Work and Risks in Urban Logistics (Karen Gregory)

Panel Discussion (20-30 minutes)

Open Discussion and Q&A (20 minutes)

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Discussion in the panel

Based on the insights shared from your research, how do cycle logistics and e-micromobility challenge the dominance of automobility & contribute to sustainable urban transitions?

What are the most pressing research questions and policy implications emerging from these perspectives?

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Opening the discussion

Do you in audience want to engage in the discussion and pose questions to the panel?