

# **Cities for Mobility World Congress 2009**

## **How to Provide Mobility in an Ageing Society**

### *Findings of Workshop C*

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## ► Demographic Evidence

- Populations getting older
- Strong link between age and disability

## ► Implications

- Imbalance between working age, older people = economic and social impacts
- Transport/mobility = key to maintaining self-sufficiency & autonomy

▶ **Transport for older people needs to be:**

- ✓ Available
- ✓ Accessible
- ✓ Reliable
- ✓ Safe
- ✓ Affordable

▶ **Barriers to Mobility**

- Inaccessible public transport
- Walking, waiting
- Poor or inaccessible information
- Fear of falling
- Personal security

## ► Key Policy Issues

- Ageing in Place
- Transport and Land-Use planning with older people in mind
- Universal Design

## ► Challenges for Decision-makers

- Multiplicity of agenda priorities
- Constrained budgets/short-term priorities v. long-term planning
- Methodological tools