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## What's it all about?

Shared Mobility, Shared Space transforms oversized urban motorways into connecting social spaces, by making room for a new kind of mobility. Citizens, experts and designers launch three concrete projects that demonstrate which mobility policy is possible and desirable.

### More

For several years now, Brussels has been bearing the dubious title of 'traffic-jam capital of Europe'. Despite initial attempts to calm down the traffic in the centre, Brussels remains a city that is geared to car traffic. As the city grows, the centre remains wedged within the contours of the Petite Ceinture or the so-called Pentagon. The oversized ring road isolates the pedestrian zone of the surrounding districts. We now want to transform the infrastructural barrier into a connecting social space where we will make room for a new kind of mobility. Because the real centre of Brussels has long since exceeded the Pentagon.

After academic research on new forms of mobility and urban life, and participatory discussions with citizens about the ring area, the time is ripe for concrete experiments and interventions. We combine forces and expertise. In a co-creative process, we select three to five places where there is the greatest potential for testing a new, connected urban space. We do this in working sessions with academics, designers, residents and other stakeholders. And we test it live in the public space at the foot of the WTC tower during the Mobility Week.

The intention is to demonstrate which mobility space and policies are possible and desirable in the Brussels neighbourhoods, using concrete and widely supported transformations. At the same time, the participatory process also makes it possible to show the citizens and actors involved, in a legible and tangible way, what the added value and quality can be of a fundamental change in behaviour in the way we move through the city.

Shared Mobility, Shared Space brings together the citizens' initiative Bye Bye Petite Ceinture (ARAU, Architecture Workroom Brussels, BRAL, Brussels Studies Institute, IRIB, petiteceinture.be, Pyblik & Brussels Academy) with the researchers of Masterclass Zoom In Zoom Out: the Hyper Centre of Brussels: from pedestrian to city project of the BCO-BSI and perspective.brussels. This trajectory is supported by Bruxelles Mobilité.

## WORKSHOP: BYE BYE Petite Ceinture Thu 21.06.18 18.00 – 20.00 WTC 1, 23 Floor

## What is it all about?

Along with residents from neighbourhoods around the Petite Ceinture, in a process of co-creation, the ring lanes are rethought as connecting urban space instead of an infrastructural barrier. One of the most important Brussels traffic infrastructures is being used as leverage towards a healthy, liveable and accessible city. Main thematic lines: reprogramming of key locations and buildings, public transport as the backbone of urban mobility, and more quality public space for cyclists and pedestrians.

## Part 1

Presentation of the results of the four co-creative ateliers during which residents and users have questioned the spatial composition of the Petite Ceinture.

## Part 2

Plenary discussion and opportunity to visit the You Are Here exhibition until 21.00.

Free entrance

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