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Manifesto for Green and Human Mobility in Care Services

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Every day, in cities across Europe, care workers and volunteers travel the same streets to reach the people who depend on them: elderly residents living alone, people with disabilities, families in difficulty. These journeys are an essential part of how our communities care for their most vulnerable members. Yet they remain largely invisible: absent from mobility plans, unmeasured in climate strategies, uncounted in municipal budgets.

The Green LaMiS project has shown, in three European cities, that this does not have to remain the case. Caring for people and caring for the environment are not competing priorities. They are the same priority, pursued through the same actions, in the same neighbourhoods, for the same communities.

We, the undersigned institutions and organisations, recognise this conviction and commit to carrying it forward in our own cities, services and policies.

We commit to the following principles

1. **Mobility for care is environmental policy.** We recognise that the journeys made to deliver home and daily social services are part of the urban mobility system, and we commit to treating them as such in our mobility and climate planning.
2. **Measure before you act.** We commit to measuring the environmental impact of care-related mobility in our own organisation or territory, using transparent and comparable methods, as a first step towards reducing it.
3. **Connect departments before connecting vehicles.** We commit to building coordination between mobility and social-service functions, recognising that organisational change is as important as technological change.
4. **Embed results in strategic documents.** We commit to incorporating the lessons of greening care mobility into our strategic planning documents, such as Sustainable Urban Mobility Plans and Climate Action Plans, at their next revision.
5. **Caregivers are mobility innovators.** We recognise that the people who deliver care services hold essential operational knowledge, and we commit to involving them directly in the design of greener, more efficient mobility solutions.
6. **Start small, measure, and grow.** We commit to an incremental approach: beginning with a single vehicle, route or service where needed, measuring the results, and expanding what works.
7. **Clean air and social care live in the same neighbourhoods.** We recognise that the people most dependent on home care are often also the most exposed to air pollution, and we commit to treating the greening of care mobility as an action for health equity, not only for the environment.
8. **This model travels.** We commit to sharing what we learn with other cities, organisations and territories, so that greener, more human care mobility is not the exception but the standard.

By signing this Manifesto, we commit, within our own means and responsibilities, to pursue these principles beyond the end of the Green LaMiS project, and to continue measuring, sharing and improving the mobility that brings care to the people who need it most.

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