

Session Title: UVARs: Relationship between Access Regulation & Parking Management

## **Description:**

Urban Vehicle Access Regulations (UVAR) control the access of motorised vehicles to urban areas. They are an essential tool in the urban mobility toolbox. There are a variety of types of UVAR with the most common being: Low Emissions Zones (LEZ), Limited Traffic Zones (LTZ) and Pedestrian Zones (PED).

UVARs help cities optimise urban space and use of the transport network. They can help reduce emissions and noise, improve accessibility, and deliver a better quality of life for residents. They can encourage more sustainable transport choices, making cities healthier more liveable and more attractive for all members of society. They offer much needed 'Push' measures that complement and reinforce the attractiveness and effectiveness of those on the 'Pull' side of the mobility offer.

UVARs relate to parking policies and management in several ways:

- They both relate to the same policy objectives and ideally are part of the pathway to a coherent vision for city life.
- They share the same urban space.
- UVARs regulate the vehicles that can access a city and so to a large extent they determine the 'market' for parking in the city. They influence trip purposes as well as the size and motorisation of the vehicles that form the parking manager's clientele.
- UVARs and parking management can share common digital platforms. Such platforms support the work of both traffic and parking managers. They can also provide travellers with an integrated multimodal mobility offer.

This session brings together key experts in the UVAR field. They have experience in the research, theory and planning of UVARs as well as hands-on experience of implementing UVAR schemes including the essential process of interaction with stakeholders.