

# Conclusions of the 13<sup>th</sup> SPA Conference

## „Parking in Towns“

### „Parking and Urban Transport“

**November 21 – 23 2017, Štrbské Pleso**

The Conference was held under the auspices of the deputy prime minister of the Slovak Republic responsible for investment and informatization and The Union of Towns of Slovakia.

There were 128 representatives of local offices, state and public administrations, universities, operators of parking, designers, producers and suppliers of parking technology and services participating in the conference.

According to the main theme „Parking and Urban Transport“, the discussion concentrated on the analysis and application of experience in this field in activities of towns in Slovakia and abroad. Mainly problems of traffic servicing and options to change the modal split (individual and public transport) were discussed.

The discussion demonstrated series of shortcomings in the conception and planning of traffic servicing and urban mobility – missing documents, guidelines for complex solutions, as well as necessary legislative.

The decisive problem of traffic servicing is represented by coordination of the individual and public transports, not only in towns, but as well as relations to urban regions, often to the entire agglomeration.

Conference participants stated that there is a need for a system solving of parking according to the requirements of the urban (Smart City) mobility as well as mobility in their surrounding territory.

In the sense of the Methodology for Elaboration of Plans of Sustainable Urban Mobility, elaborated by the Ministry of Transport and Construction and Regional Development of the Slovak Republic in 2015, this requires elaboration and publication of guidelines for parking. These should represent a part of the missing document Individual Transport - automobile, pedestrian and cyclist. The analogous document „Public Passenger Transport“ was already elaborated.

Participants of the 13<sup>th</sup> SPA Conference recommended the elaboration of the official document solving the individual passenger transport (motorized, cyclist, pedestrian).

The elaboration of such document should be initiated and provided by organs of the state and public administrations, mainly the Ministry of Transport and Construction of the Slovak Republic, with an active participation of the Association of Towns and Municipalities of Slovakia and The Union of Towns of Slovakia and other specialized institutions, for instance universities, science-research base and so on.

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