

THE ERMN IN BRIEF

The **European Rural Mobility Network** is the first pan-European initiative dedicated to **improving rural mobility**. This network marks the start of something new and long overdue. It aims to bring rural municipalities and other interested parties together to **share experience**, learn from each other, and explore ways to **enhance accessibility of rural territories**. The ERMN aims to create a unified and shared voice for the sector, paving the way for a new and prosperous era for **rural mobility in Europe**.

Mobilised in the framework of the **SMARTA-NET Project** (2022-2024), and established as an ASBL (Association Sans But Lucratif (not-for-profit entity)) under Belgian law in July 2025, **the ERMN mission** is to:

- **Promote, disseminate, exchange** good practices, knowledge, and insights for sustainable rural mobility.
- **Fosters pan-European networking**, dialogue, and collaboration among stakeholders.
- **Strengthening the capacity of rural municipalities**, communities, and regions through knowledge-sharing and support.
- Act as a collective voice for the sector, **engaging with European and national institutions**, policymakers, and other relevant actors to advocate for new policies, strategies, and funding mechanisms.

READY TO BE INVOLVED ?

If you are interested in rural mobility and the work of the ERMN, you are welcome to join the network and take part in its activities !



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THE ERMN SO FAR

01 1st ERMN webinar

On 25th June 2025, the 1st ERMN webinar, "Building up Users/Ridership in rural mobility" took place with more than 60 participants from 12 countries.

02 ERMN living network

On 28th July 2025, the ERMN acquired legal personality as an ASBL (not-for-profit entity) under Belgian law. It has since become a reality and grown into a living network.

03 1st ERMN high level dialogue

On 6th November 2025, the event 'The Right to Move – the Right to Stay: Tackling Rural Transport Poverty for a Fairer Europe' in collaboration with DG MOVE, takes place in Brussels at the European Commission.

04 Looking ahead: 1st ERMN conference

The ERMN aims to hold its first conference during 2026. Join the network to be part of what's next!

"Help place rural mobility at the heart of rural development and transport policies"



Providing advice and support

Assisting rural municipalities in planning, managing, and funding mobility projects, helping local actors collaborate effectively.



Driving research and innovation

Studying European and national policies, identify good practices, and test new technologies and solutions for sustainable rural mobility.



Promoting sustainable rural mobility

Raising awareness about sustainable transport and shared mobility solutions in rural areas through events, campaigns, and educational materials.



Enhance rural environment

Analysing the impact of traditional transport systems on the rural landscape and collaborating with local authorities and transport companies for the implementation of integrated sustainable mobility services that respect the landscape context.

ACTIVITIES

