**Spreading the EVUE message**

2011 has got off to a very busy start with a range of partner activities and EV developments occurring across Europe. The highlights for us have included our involvement with the Comment Visions programme (see box below) and a very successful Expert Seminar that was held in Katowice, Poland.

We will be following those up this year with a Leader’s Forum in Lisbon in June which will be combined with a full partner visit to Béja as well. In September we are also looking to run an EVUE showcase in the Frankfurt Motor show to take advantage of the global coverage that this will provide.

If you are aware of any EV related developments or would like to discuss our activities, please do not hesitate to contact us. We are always interested in learning about the different approaches being applied and how we can share this to help further the implementation of EVs in cities.

Alternatively, if you would like to be added to the distribution list, please contact your local project coordinators in one of partner cities listed or email nwhyte@lambeth.gov.uk.

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**Comment Visions Europe**

In conjunction with our partners in Lisbon, Sally Kneeshaw (EVUE Lead Expert) and Dr Tiago Farias (EVUE Lisbon Coordinator), along with the Mayor of Lisbon, Antonio Costa, contributed to the Euronews broadcast *Comment Visions* programme. Focusing on Sustainable Mobility, the programme asked a number of questions:

- What is the business model being applied to the new electric mobility network in Portugal?
- Is a lack of synergy between stakeholders holding transport back?
- With a follow up discussion on the Comment Vision website asking
- Is sustainable mobility about changing users’ behaviour or changing transport infrastructure?

To view this programme or contribute to the discussions, please visit [http://www.commentvisions.com/2011/02/28/topics/transportation/sustainable-mobility/sustainable-mobility/#](http://www.commentvisions.com/2011/02/28/topics/transportation/sustainable-mobility/sustainable-mobility/#)

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**Katowice Expert Seminar**

As part of the diverse range of activities being undertaken through the EVUE project, a number of Expert Seminars are being held to help participating cities learn from the experience of advanced regions.

On April 7-8, representatives from Portugal, Spain, Germany and the United Kingdom visited Katowice in Poland to share with local stakeholders their knowledge of e-mobility strategies.

Among the key messages from the seminar for cities starting the transition to electro-mobility were:

- Don’t lose hope or be discouraged!
- Take time, develop your own strategy
- Look at the regional aspect. Join up with other municipalities to get economy of scale and address EV range issues.
- Maintain ongoing dialogue with stakeholders
- Small steps can be very important


**Forthcoming events**

**Lisbon/ Beja Transnational Network Meeting - June 8 & 9 2011**

Combining a Leaders’ forum and workshop on EV related communication activity, this two day event is sure to interest all who are working on EVs.

**Frankfurt Transnational Network Meeting: Sept 18 – 20 2011**

As well as attending with the Frankfurt International Motor show, we will be focusing on infrastructure developments and the latest developments in electric vehicles.

For more information please email your local contact person.