

ASSISES NATIONALES DE LA MOBILITÉ



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During a speech made in Rennes on 1st July 2017, the President of France spoke on the necessity to renew our country's transport policy in order to better respond to the needs of the population, take full advantage of existing and emerging offers in the sector, resolve financing problems, and accelerate the sector's ecological transition.

To build a foundation for this new policy, a major initiative was launched on 19th September 2017 in the presence of the Prime Minister: the *Assises Nationales de la Mobilité* (National Transport Foundations or 'ANM' for short). Over the course of three months, the ANM will help us prepare to make major decisions regarding our transport policy, which will be channeled into a new legal bill to be put before Parliament in early 2018.

The ANM represent an open and contributory approach. They have been launched in order to bring together citizens, transport users, local councils, industry professionals and NGOs across the country, gathering as many contributions as possible. The transport solutions of the future must do more to meet the needs of individual communities and regions. The aim of the ANM is to gain a clearer picture of these needs, and identify how they can be met so as to ensure that future transport services are:

- **cleaner:** reducing the environmental impact of our journeys;
- **more connected:** accelerating the digital revolution in transport in order

to plan ahead for future developments in the sector;

- **more socially inclusive:** reducing regional disparities, using physical mobility to improve social mobility;
- **more inter-modal:** working to link different transport options in order to make networks more attractive to users, acting as a genuine alternative to personal vehicles;
- **safer:** reducing accidents and transport-related risks;
- **more sustainable:** balancing economic models, releasing financial resources in line with our needs and governing with greater efficiency.

The *Assises Nationales de la Mobilité* will draw upon a campaign of massive public engagement. They are structured around four areas of focus, which aim to ensure contributions from as many interested parties and operators as possible.



1- Focus on Citizens' Views: local workshops

Identifying current transport needs, and examining how these will develop over the coming years. The approach being adopted involves tailoring the work to the type of area involved (cities, large towns, high-rise neighborhoods, suburban or rural areas).

The objective is to engage directly with citizens, allowing them to express their needs and expectations regarding mobility in their daily lives. The approach being used to achieve this goal uses local and regional workshops, reflecting the diversity of communities within our country.

Method

Initially this will involve the organisation of **public meetings** by regional prefects working alongside local councils; these will be open to everyone from the local community, serving as an opportunity to debate transport requirements and challenges. The choice of venue will depend on the type of area involved, and regional prefects have been tasked with organising around forty of these workshops. In addition, local districts

are encouraged to organise their own workshops using information and tools provided, and then "forward" their conclusions or recommendations under a pre-defined format available via the website. Members of the public may also express their views directly via the *Assises Nationales de la Mobilité* internet platform.

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2-Focus on Expertise: 6 thematic workshops

Transport networks are facing new social developments and a number of challenges. The ANM must serve as an opportunity for us to debate these issues, and suggest new strategies to public authorities.

Topics

Cleaner Transport - Environment

- How can we accelerate the transition to greener vehicles (such as electric)?
- How can the government or local councils encourage all other transport options (biking, scooters, walking, etc.)?
- What actions could help to develop car-sharing as an everyday transport option?

Connected Transport - Digital

- How will digital developments redefine transport conditions?
- What innovations could the government or local councils employ to improve transport?
- How can we ensure that the arrival of self-driving vehicles will improve mobility and benefit our regions?

Transport & Solidarity - Equity

- How can we improve travel in rural and suburban areas?
- How can we make it easier for disadvantaged persons to travel?
- How can we ensure that all our citizens are able to travel for work, education, healthcare and cultural activities?

Increasing inter-modal transport - Inter-modality

- What measures can be taken to facilitate the use of several modes of transport for the same journey (e.g. car, followed by train followed by bike)?
- How might we encourage commuters to go without their personal vehicles?
- How can we improve urban logistics without encroaching on public spaces?

Safer Transport - Safety and Security

- What can we do to reduce transport accidents?
- How can the highway code be adapted to reflect new forms of transport (self-driving vehicles, bicycles, etc.)?
- How can we improve safety and reduce threatening behaviour on public transport?

Sustainable Transport - Financing and Governance

- Should we rethink the respective amounts paid by the taxpayer and transport users?
- How can we find new resources to invest in transport?
- In what way can the practices of Urbanism contribute to improve transport?
- How can we improve cohesion between the services offered by various transport authorities?

Method

1. Thematic workshops, made up of working groups for each of these six topics, will be tasked with making their official recommendation to the Ministry of Transport at the end of the process.

2. A special commission from the National Congress for Ecological Transition (CNTE) will be tasked with producing a comprehensive report based on the information gathered by the working groups. The commission is also tasked with issuing its recommendation for the Transport Development bill, which the Government will put before parliament in early 2018. Like the CNTE, the special commission is made up of members of five associations: public administrations, local councils, professional organisations, trade unions and NGOs.

3. However, in order to avoid restricting the debates to experts, representatives and administrations not present at the workshops can also have their say via an **internet platform**, which is open to all contributions, opinions and votes, whether individual, collective or institutional, using the same format as the *États Généraux de l'Alimentation* (National Agricultural Conferences). Resources and information updates will also be made available. The digital platform was made available online during the launch of the ANM on 19th September.

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In addition, all parties involved are invited to draw up **stakeholder reports** in order to provide their contributions, specify diagnostic actions or formulate suggestions, whether pertaining to one of the 19 topics or to transport in general.



3- Focus on Innovation: Innovation workshops

A number of innovations are emerging in the transport sector - these may be organisational, technological, industrial, etc. The method being applied here is to structure an approach to support innovation, with three objectives:

- to give greater visibility to initiatives and best practices;
- to identify conditions for disseminating these best practices, which will require understanding of both catalysts and impediments to innovation;
- to build a method to support organisations for the full duration of the initiatives. i.e. provide the government with a strategy for supporting transport innovation.

Method

Establishing a **Transport and innovation committee**. During the ANM, this committee's role will be to identify initiatives to be prioritised in each region and to carry out international comparisons, identifying

potential roadblocks and catalysts for the dissemination of best practices identified in each region, and to suggest appropriate methods to support these initiatives in the long term.



4- Focus on Strategy: the Infrastructure Orientation Council

The President of France has stated that the maintenance and modernisation of our existing networks will be a priority, leading to "pause" on major infrastructural projects due to a table and realistic investment schedule, which will be submitted to Parliament as part of the forthcoming Transport Development Bill.

Method

This area of focus is overseen by an **Infrastructure Orientation Council**.

The Council is made up of **16 members**:

3 members of parliament

- **Barbara Pompili**, member of parliament for La Somme and President of the Commission for Sustainable and Regional Development
- **Matthieu Orphelin**, member of parliament for Maine-et-Loire
- **Benoit Simian**, member of parliament for Gironde

3 senators

- **Hervé Maurey**, senator for Eure, President of the Commission for Sustainable and Regional Development
- **Michel Dagbert**, senator for Pas-de-Calais
- **Gérard Cornu**, senator for Eure-et-Loir

1 MEP

- **Karima Delli**

3 representatives from major local council associations

- **Michel Neugnot** (Régions de France)
- **Louis Nègre** (France Urbaine)
- **François Durovray** (ADF)

6 qualified experts

- **Philippe Duron** (President of the COI)
- **Pierre Alain Roche** (Section President at the CGEDD - COI Special Liaison)
- **Jean-Michel Charpin** (Inspectorate General of Finances)
- **Nicolas Forray** (Section President at the CGEDD)
- **François Philizot** (Independent Prefect - Interministerial Delegate for Vallée de la Seine)
- **Bruno Cavagné** (President of the FNTP)

The council is tasked with putting forward its vision and methodology, based on the timeline required for the upcoming Transport Development bill, and to prepare the general framework for this law: major priorities, financial challenges, sources for financing, etc. This information will allow the government to draft a new bill incorporating a timeline for actions and financing, which will then be brought before Parliament.

If you are a citizen and would like to contribute, A number of tools are at your disposal.

Internet platform

Have your say in the debates being held on the platform - contribute to the discussion at:

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Outreach workshop

Organise an outreach workshop in your community or association by downloading the online guide and forwarding the results to our offices.

eLetter

Sign up via the internet platform to receive a monthly e-newsletter with updates on the consultation process.

If you are an operator in the transport sector and would like to contribute, A number of tools are at your disposal.

Stakeholder Reports

Submit your request to assises@transport.gouv.fr. You'll receive a link allowing you to download the necessary documents.

Thematic workshops

If you would like to participate, submit your request indicating your chosen topic to assises@transport.gouv.fr. We will do our best to ensure that you are integrated into the network of working groups. You will then be kept up to date on their progress.

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