



Québec Roadmap: Towards a New Urban Project (2022-2024)

PRIORITY THÉMATIQUE (1): Pacified mobility: Street planning and sharing between different users and mobility modes.

Pilot City: QUÉBEC

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In line with the Roadmap Strategic Axis 2 – “Resilient cities boosted by the enhancement of their heritage resources”, the *Priority Thematic* presented by the City of Québec aspires to find solutions and new approaches that will allow the various users to circulate safely and to share the streets and public spaces in the historic part of the city in a convivial manner.

The historic area of Québec City is characterized by the coexistence and diversity of functions, such as: residential, commercial, institutional, educational, and touristic. This variety of uses has intensified the daily flux of people and vehicles. The heavy traffic of motor vehicles, public transportation, and especially tourist buses, combined with the lack of parking, has disturbed residents and visitors, and diminished their comfort and safety. This situation has caused a considerable number of residents to leave the area, as well as discouraged the settlement of new residents.

Associated matters

With the objective of improving the quality of life in the historic center for all residents and visitors, the city of Québec proposes to form a Collaborative Network gathering experiences and collective research efforts on different interrelated issues, *inter alia* the following:

- Reduction of high traffic circulation in key sectors of the historic center of the city;
- Prioritization of pedestrians and soft mobility users on both narrow streets and main arteries of the city center;
- Pedestrianization of key streets of the city historic center as a means to promote the residential use in this area as well as enhance local services;
- Ensure the implementation of safety measures and surveillance within the access points of restricted areas for motor vehicles;
- Enhancement of urban furniture to promote the use of the streets as pleasant public areas instead of strictly circulation routes.