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Daniël Termont, mayor of Ghent: think smart to improve transport in cities

Daniël Termont, mayor of Ghent and vice president of EURO CITIES, speaks at the European Commission's event 'Transport for Smart Cities 2016' today. Ahead of the event, he said:

"Our citizens are always keeping us on our toes: we have to respond to new expectations and demands, and urban mobility is no exception. Looking to smart solutions is an opportunity to improve transport services for cities, as well as resolving other urban challenges such as traffic congestion, road safety and air pollution.

The most important thing is that we develop these solutions not only with our citizens in mind, but together with our citizens. This is how we can ensure that the solutions we come up with can prompt real change in order to keep our cities liveable. No longer allowing cars to just drive through our city centre is a fine start."

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Notes to editors

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