

How to write successful EMW award applications? Robert Pressl, Mobility Consultant Charlotte van Hek, UITP

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Two important elements

- The programme
- The application/writing





The 5 Evaluation Criteria for the **Award**

- The annual theme
- The comprehensiveness of the action plan regarding events, activities and involvement of citizens.
- The strategic approach in communicating towards the citizens and the media.
- The (expected) environmental and social impact of permanent measure(s)
- The quality and scope of the partnerships with local stakeholders





Think about different target groups

- Commuters
- Children
- People with reduced mobility
- Car drivers
- Elderly people
- Etc.













Don't forget to tame car traffic!

Not only closures of selected streets during Car Free Day but also removal of parking spaces, speed limits, pop up bike lanes etc.

Provide a pleasant atmosphere for pedestrians and cyclists!







Don't forget Parking Day

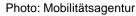
Parking Day is usually the 3rd Friday in September



Examples from Graz and from Braga



How about parklets?









Don't forget freight traffic

E.g. Provide cargo bikes to test







Organise a symposion, discussion rounds or presentations

Present your plans or discuss activities with citizens or experts.

Don't shy a critical dialogue with the citizens!

Example from Braga









Planning exercises

Give people the opportunity to bring in own views, ideas or to let them assess existing plans

Example from Vienna







Stakeholders

Include politicians!







Use role models and celebrities

- Actors
- Athletes
- Musicians
- Etc.

Marcel Koller, former Coach of the Austrian National Football Team

Example from Vienna









Including the local economy

E.g. Bakeries designed special sort of bread for pedestrians.

German play with words: Gebäck (bread etc.) and Gehbäck (Geh = walk)

Example from Vienna









Give people the opportunity to try out new behaviour!

- Free Public Transport test rides
- Planning of excursions with public transport
- Cycling courses
- Experience public space without cars
- Walk to school campaign
- Etc.

Example from Braga







Use well established campaigns

Use well established campaigns and include the start or the final presentation into the EUROPEANMOBILITYWEEK

Example of Bike to Work campaign from Lisbon







Organise parties

Organise a bicycle party with competitions and scavenger hunts or geo caching



Example from Bolzano







Use eye-catcher to attract people

Example from Lisbon







Join forces – think about sport, food, culture, dance etc.

But remember: it is a transport event, so traffic and transport related activities should dominate!

Tropical emotions on grey Austrian streets.

Example from Vienna







Be proud of your activities!

Communicate your activities incl. objectives and benefits for the citizens.



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Example from Braga







The important basics

- Write in clear, well-written English
- Fill in all the fields
- Give correct information







Give a clear overview of the week

- Describe what activities are taking place
- Be concrete
- Avoid too much repetition
- Include objectives, number of participants, target groups, results
- Permanent measures: make sure they are permanent, and explain impact







Permanent measures

- · Here also: be concrete
- Make sure to only include permanent + confirmed measures
- Explain impact







Document your achievements

- Take photos of all your activities
- A professional photographer might do better than a phone
- Don't be afraid of submitting lots of visual material: banners, posters, press actions, etc.

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Get creative

- Work with the EMW identity
- Instead of only photos, work with video, mascotte, artwork, etc.
- Involve (local) press

Video from Braga









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Thank you for your attention!

Now over to you....





