



Admissions Procedure: Doctoral Training Network (DTN)

EIT Urban Mobility - Mobility for more liveable urban spaces

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EIT Urban Mobility, supported by the European Institute of Innovation and Technology (EIT), acts to accelerate positive change on mobility to make urban spaces more liveable by engaging cities and citizens, putting new mobility solutions into practice, and reclaiming public space for public use.

Doctoral candidates from EIT Urban Mobility core partner universities are invited to join the Doctoral Training Network, which started in 2020. This is a great opportunity for you to broaden your education horizons by learning innovation and entrepreneurship skills. The initiative aims to bridge the gap between research and innovation and to extend your network within the urban mobility ecosystem. The programme includes a mandatory four- to six-month international placement to advance your research, expand your networks, and gain insights into the entrepreneurial world.

Goals of the EIT Urban Mobility Doctoral Training Network

- Foster innovative and entrepreneurial mind-sets based on the knowledge triangle (education, research and business)
- Provide urban mobility researchers a platform for exchange and feedback on their individual research, as well as networking with practitioners and senior researchers
- Foster international and inter-sectorial experience through mobility exchange

What do we offer PhD candidates?

- Join the sustainable urban mobility revolution and boost your personal and career prospects. Combine your current doctoral studies with customised training in innovation and entrepreneurship. The EIT Urban Mobility Doctoral Training Network is tailored for doctoral candidates who are within the field of urban mobility with a drive for business, entrepreneurship and societal innovation.
- The Doctoral Training Network provides doctoral candidates with an outstanding foundation for their future career. Programmes enable doctoral candidates to strengthen their technical expertise while fostering entrepreneurial and innovation skills, knowledge, and attitudes needed to ensure a sustainable future for the urban mobility sector. The innovative programme provides strong links to industry, cities, as well as international mobility and an annual networking event.
- The EIT labelled programme* offers a unique opportunity to deepen and extend your knowledge, gain credibility, and develop your business opportunities throughout Europe and beyond. The programme (courses and international placement) aims at the following EIT Overarching Learning Outcomes (OLOs):
 1. Entrepreneurship Skills and Competencies
 2. Innovation Skills and Competencies
 3. Creativity Skills and Competencies
 4. Intercultural Skills and Competencies
 5. Making Value Judgments and Sustainability Competencies
 6. Leadership Skills and Competencies

Complement your PhD programme and become part of a community that creates real solutions for more sustainable urban mobility.

- By participating in the Doctoral Training Network, you can add the European Institute of Innovation and Technology (EIT) Label Certificate* to your doctoral degree.

**Subject to EIT assessment and approval*

Who can apply to the Doctoral Training Network?

We encourage doctoral candidates to apply:

- Who are registered at an EIT Urban Mobility core partner university, enrolled in a PhD position and wish to develop entrepreneurial, innovation and business skills
- Whose doctoral research relates to the field of urban mobility
- Who have 2 or more years left before completing their PhD dissertation
- Who are proficient in English

In order to obtain the EIT Label Certificate, the candidate must fulfil the following requirements:

- Take part in at least two annual Doctoral Training Network forums
- Successfully complete the Innovation & Entrepreneurship course package of 30 ECTS
- Take part and complete at least one international placement – lasting between a minimum of four months and a maximum of six months – funded by the Doctoral Training Network. The international placement can be split into two placements if desired.

How to apply?

Submit the following documents via e-mail to dtn@eiturbanmobility.eu no later than **June 17, 2022**.

- **Curriculum vitae**
- **Motivation letter**, highlighting your specific contributions within the field of urban mobility and your interest in innovation and entrepreneurship, in particular with reference to the above-mentioned OLOs (e.g. How can you achieve these skills in the context of an international placement?). Your motivation letter should also include a high-level overview of your PhD dissertation (topic, objectives, methodology).
- **Documentation certifying your enrolment in a PhD programme** at a core partner university. This could be a:
 - Recent enrolment certificate
 - Signed letter from the university
- **Documentation indicating completion date of PhD**, which could be:
 - Acceptance letter to the university
 - Employment contract with the university
 - Enrolment forms
 - Signed, self-written statement outlining the timeline of your PhD and expected completion date

- A **letter of support** from your supervisor stating your suitability for the EIT Urban Mobility Doctoral Training Network. The letter of support **must explicitly give permission** to participate in all required DTN activities, including international placements, training courses and the annual conferences.
- **Proof of English proficiency**, which could be:
 - Certificate of language proficiency (for example, from a language school or similar institution)
 - Signed, self-written declaration of language proficiency (in English)