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Walking – Perspectives on Future Developments



Draft structure of report WG3

Introduction

Trends

- Big trends, main framework conditions for the future
- Specific trends with impact on walking in the future

Visions

- Views that have shaped our visions in the past
- What could the world for walking look like in the future

Art & Story?



International Charter for Walking

Creating healthy, efficient and sustainable communities where people choose to walk

I/We, the undersigned recognise the benefits of walking as a key indicator of healthy, efficient, socially inclusive and sustainable communities and acknowledge the universal rights of people to be able to walk safely and to enjoy high quality public spaces anywhere and at anytime. We are committed to reducing the physical, social and institutional barriers that limit walking activity. We will work with others to help create a culture where people choose to walk through our commitment to this charter and its strategic principles:

- 1. Increased inclusive mobility
- 2. Well designed and managed spaces and places for people
- 3. Improved integration of networks
- 4. Supportive land-use and spatial planning
- 5. Reduced road danger
- 6. Less crime and fear of crime
- 7. More supportive authorities
- 8. A culture of walking

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Signing of Charter WALK21 Melbourne, October 2006



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Vision of the International Charter for Walking

To create a world where people choose and are able to walk as a way to travel, to be healthy and to relax, a world where authorities, organisations and individuals have:

- recognised the value of walking;
- made a commitment to healthy, efficient and sustainable communities; and
- worked together to overcome the physical, social and institutional barriers which often limit people's choice to walk.

Principles of the International Charter for Walking

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Main strategic approaches

Economic

- Opportunities for business
- Attractive for shoppers, tourists and investors
- High ranking in liveable cities contests

Cultural

- Participation in public life
- Walking as human right
- Community spririt, public interest

Individual

- Health and other benefits
- Autonomy, freedom and self-determination
- Pleasures of everyday walking culture









Porto 2005



Alberto Giacometti L'Homme qui marche II 1960 Photo: <u>Sabine Weiss</u>









Source: Davis 1994



Source (left): Wehrheim, 2002

Daniel Sauter, Urban Mobility Research, Switzerland

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