



## EuroVelo – European project of the future

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### Overview

- European Cyclists' Federation and the benefits of cycling
- EuroVelo, the European cycle route network
- EuroVelo 1 Atlantic Coast Route
- What makes a successful cycle route?



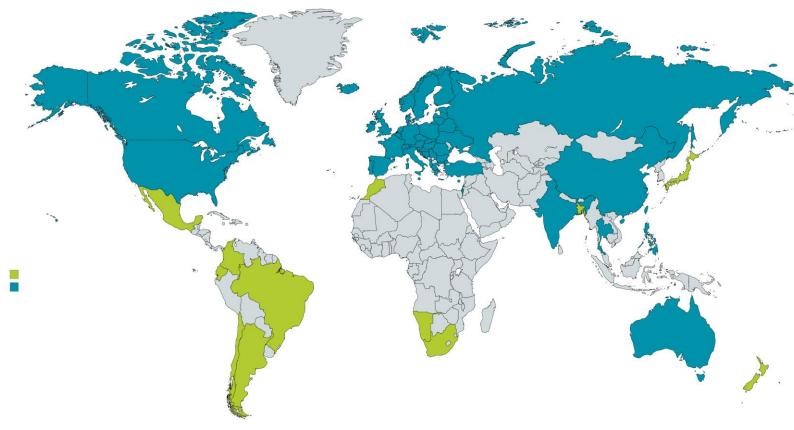


# European Cyclists' Federation and the benefits of cycling





Established 1983, with more than 60 members across more than 40 countries today







One goal: To promote cycling as a sustainable and healthy means of transportation and recreation







Benefits occur in many areas and policy fields:

Environment + Climate		Business	<b>(</b> )	Social Affairs	
Energy + Resources	#	Technology + Design	الثا	Mobility	<b>₩</b>
Health	<b>₩</b>	Time + Space	Ō	Diversity of cultures	





Annual Benefits of **Cycling** in the EU



#### CO2 emission savings:16 m tons

Cycling saves emissions equaling more than 16 million tons of CO2 equivalents per year in the EU. This corresponds to the annual emissions of a country like Croatia.





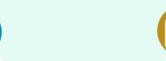


#### Congestion easing: 7 bn €

Cycling frees up space in European cities, both moving and parking.

Longer and healthier lives: 73 bn €







Cycle tourism also benefits rural areas, which are not classic tourist destinations. Cycle tourism creates more than 500,000 jobs in the EU.







# EuroVelo, the European cycle route network





#### In the beginning...









# EuroVelo, the European cycle route network

#### In numbers

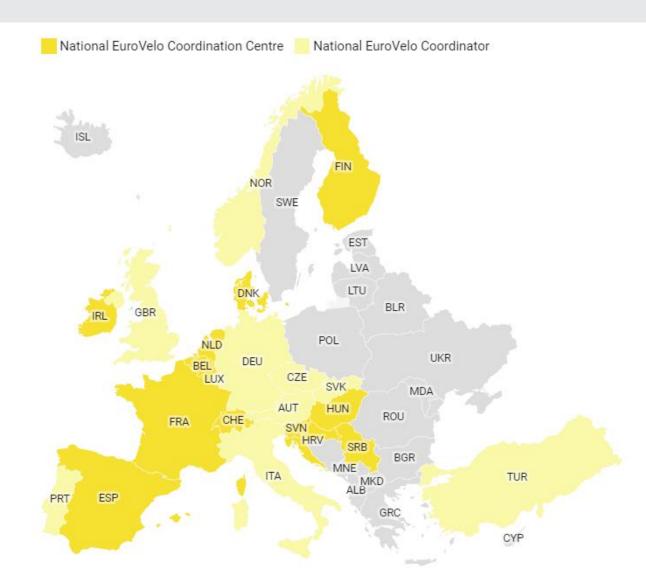
- 17 Routes
- 42 Countries
- Over 90,000 km
- 22 National EuroVelo Coordination Centres and Coordinators (NECC/Cs)
- 2 Million sessions on EuroVelo.com in 2020
- 60 million trips made every year generating a total of €7 billion in direct annual revenue







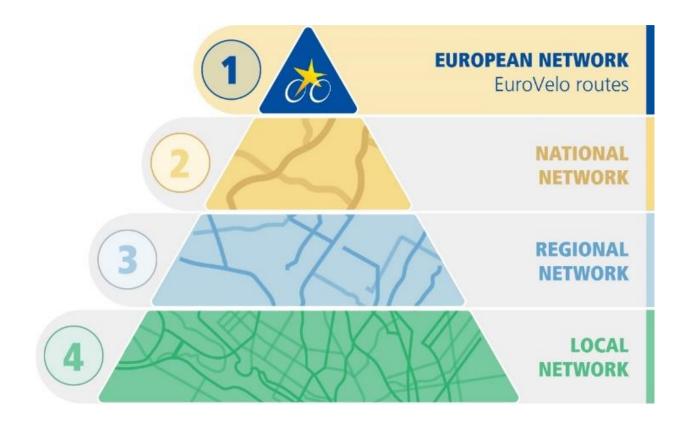
#### Coordination







#### EuroVelo, a backbone to cycle route networks







#### EuroVelo, the European cycle route network

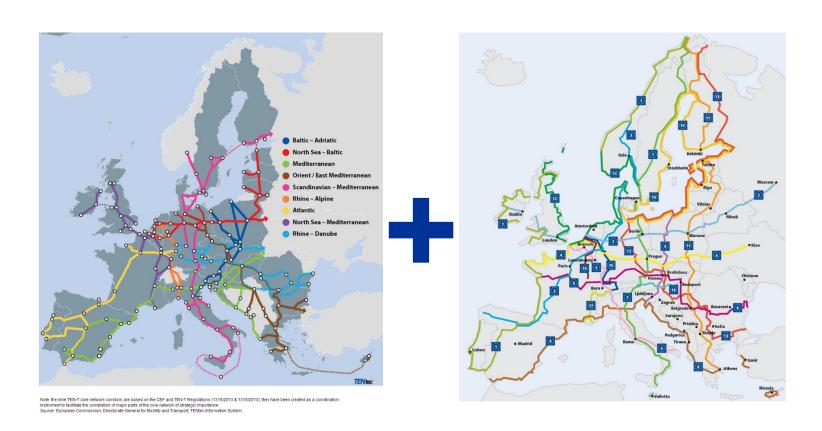
"Calls on the [European] Commission to explore possible synergies with EuroVelo and its 17 corridors, notably by increasing financial support, in order to promote cycling tourism in Europe."

European Parliament's Plenary Resolution on an EU Strategy for Sustainable Tourism 25<sup>th</sup> March 2021





#### **EuroVelo and the TEN-T**







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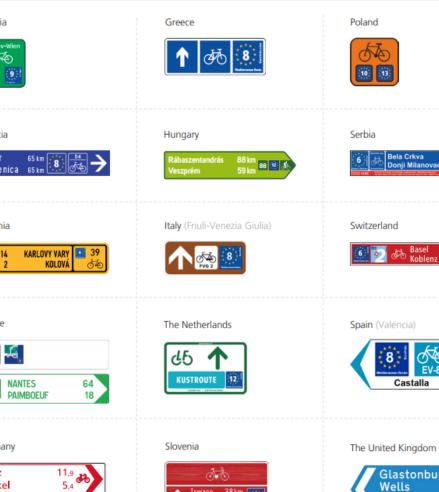
#### **EuroVelo – European project of** the future

A symbol of the growing importance of cycling to the European transportation network

A European success story!



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### EuroVelo 1 – Atlantic Coast Route

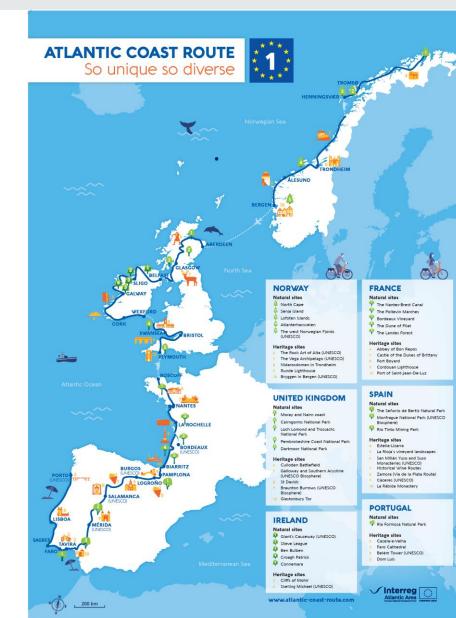




#### **EuroVelo 1 – Atlantic Coast Route**

#### In numbers

- 11,000 kilometres
- 6 Countries
- 14 UNESCO World Heritage Sites







#### **AtlanticOnBike Project**

- Three-year project
- Budget of almost 5 million euros
- EU Atlantic Area Interreg programme
- 21 partners from 7 different countries
- Aimed at achieving positive economic outcomes thanks to a transnational cycle tourism strategy based on the natural and cultural assets of the EuroVelo 1.









#### Route survey: traffic

- On this map, each daily section was categorised based on its share of low / very low / no traffic.
- 70% of the surveyed route comprise infrastructure that is either **traffic-free** or **features low and very low traffic!**
- Green colours = good route quality
- Followed by yellow, orange, red = progressively more potential for improvement







#### Route survey: surface quality

- On this map, each daily section was categorised based on its share of well or perfectly rideable surface.
- 81% of the surveyed route comprise infrastructure that is perfectly or well rideable!
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#### Route survey: signage

- 62 out of 120 daily sections feature **EuroVelo signs**.
- On 84 daily sections, there were missing or wrong signs.







A method for usage and economic impact estimation



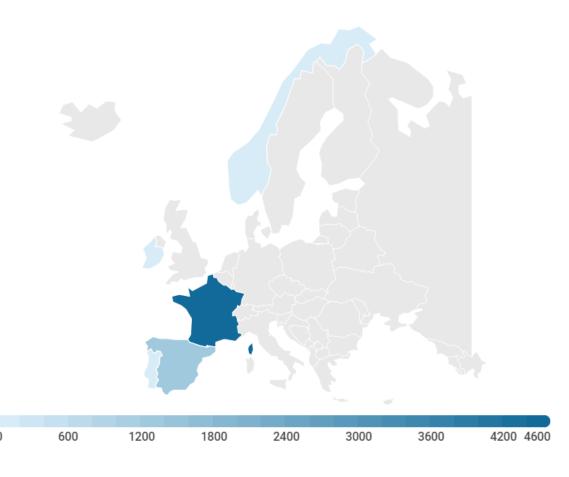
112 counters on the route



6 021 surveys on the route



13 396 cyclists represented







Who are the cyclists on the Atlantic Coast Route?

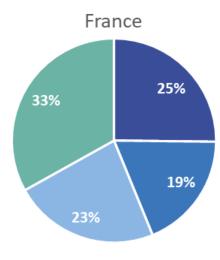
**Cycle tourers**: a common trend for the route



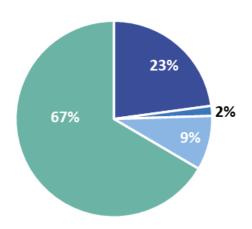


Cycling whilst holiday

Non tourist



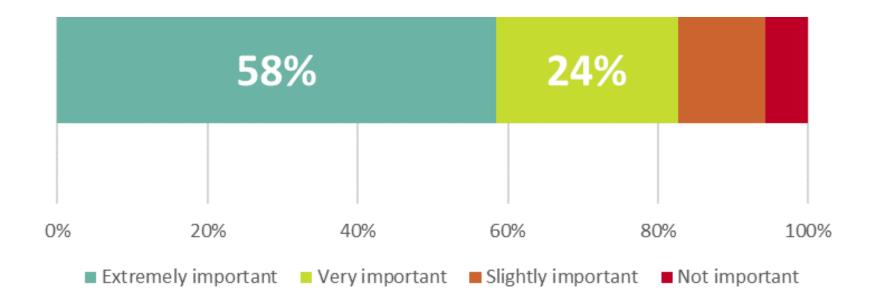
Route (except France)







Importance of cycling in the destination choice:







#### Usage and Economic impact:

- 10,5 million cyclists along the route
- 72 € average spending per tourist
- 3,9 € average spending per non-tourist (including those not spending)
- 198 million € economic impact for the route



DURATION

12 days

DIFFICULTY Medium

Flat ELEVATION

**TOUR TYPE** Self-guided

FOR

Rideable with children, Mountain bikes. Suitable for trailers, E-bikes,

Touring bikes

Road bikes.

FIND OUT MORE



We propose that you carry out the Wine and World Heritage itinerary through EuroVelo 1, a proposal that we offer the traveler to combine the fascinating World of Wine with a total of 6 Certified Wine Routes in the itinerary, with knowledge of the 8 Goods World Heritage and his passion for cycling.





# **EuroVelo 1 – Atlantic Coast Route Long Term Management Agreement**











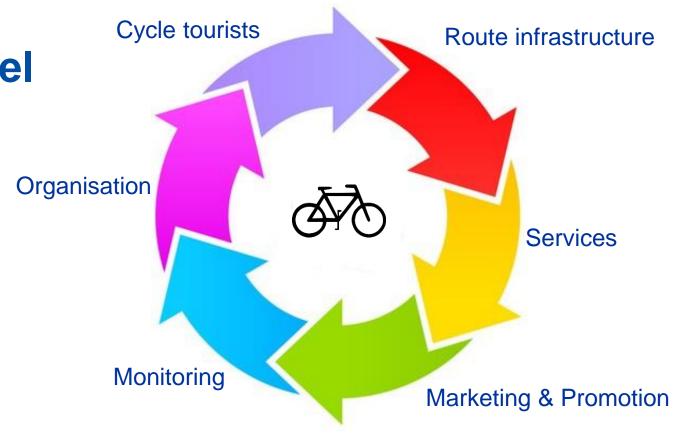


## What makes a successful cycle route?





Cycle Tourism
Development Wheel







#### **Cycling infrastructure**

Cycling tourists need attractive, safe and comfortable routes





#### **Cycling infrastructure**

Complete and consistent signing according to the European and national standards







#### **Cycling infrastructure**

Good public transport connections with cycle carriage.







#### **Cycling services**

Controlled, high-quality cycling friendly services.







#### **Promotion and marketing**

Up-to-date and easily accessible information and promotional tools.







#### **Monitoring**

- User counting and surveys to estimate effects and impacts.
- Route surveys to assess current status and identify areas for improvement







#### **Organisation**

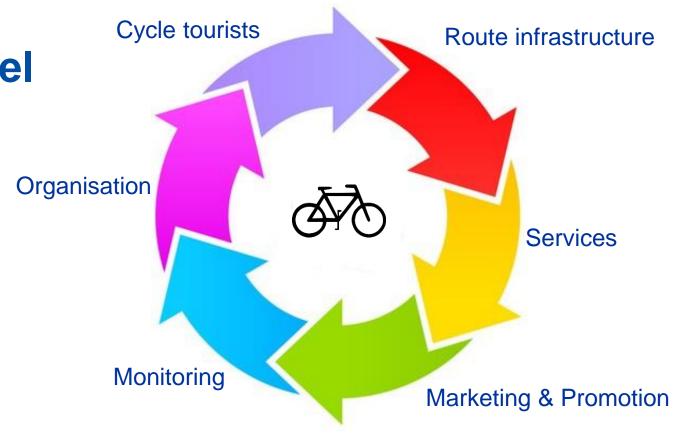
Coordinate and ensure successful implementation, operation and quality assurance







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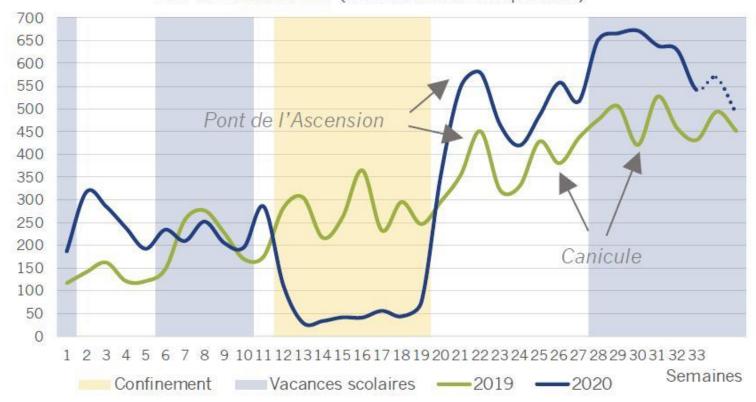






#### 2020 / COVID Impact

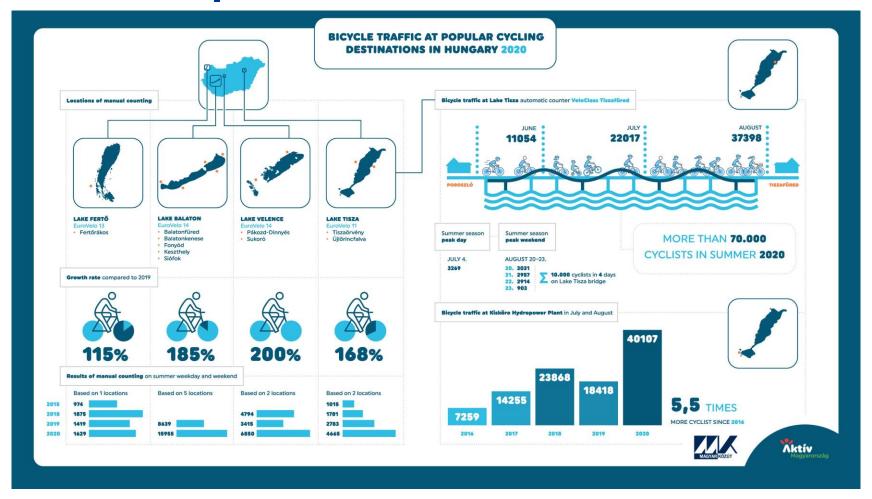
## Évolution de la fréquentation moyenne journalière sur les EuroVelo (à échantillon comparable)







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# Good luck for the future!

