The current mobility situation in Klaipeda City

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Klaipėda City Strategic Development Plan 2013-2020

- Priority of City Development: "Sustainable urban development"
- Strategic goal: Applying sustainable mobility principles in the city's transport system





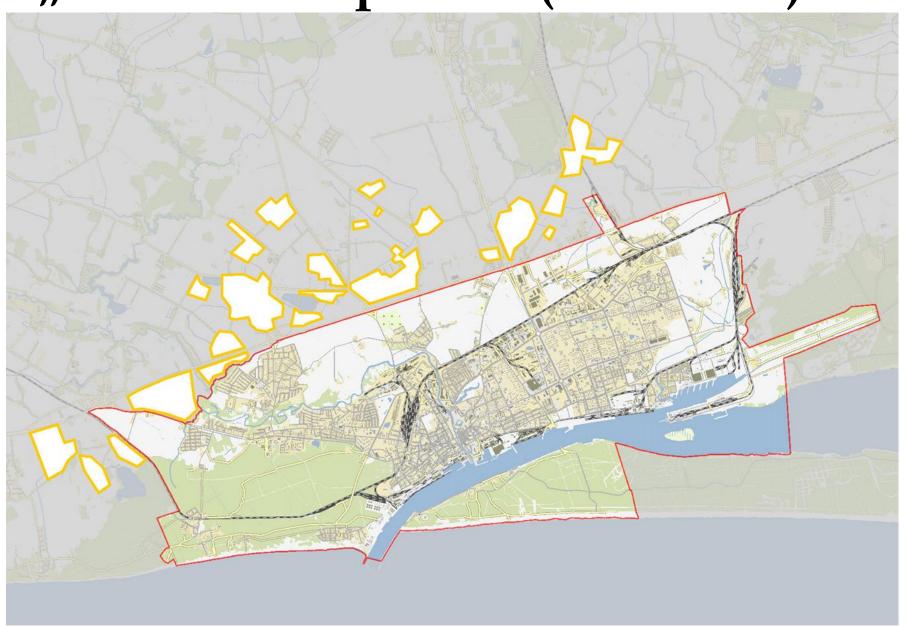
Klaipėda City Transport System. Main problems

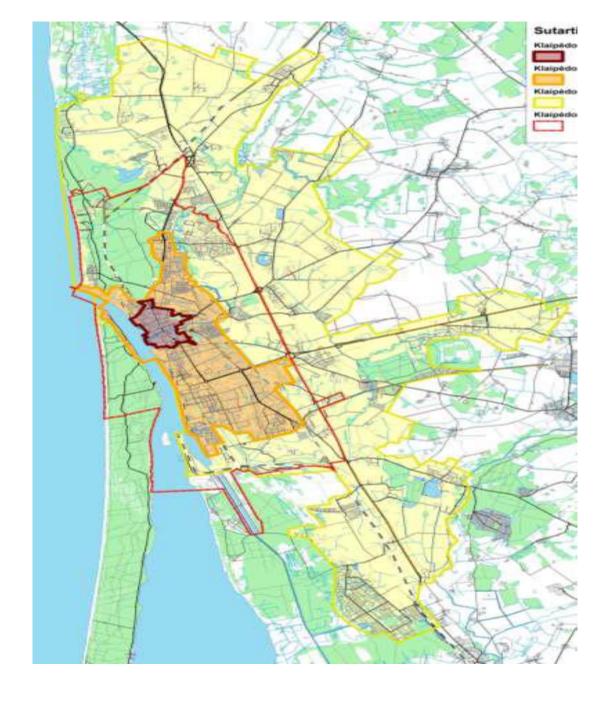
- City is facing depopulation;
- People are moving to live into Northern part of the City and into the suburbs;
- Traffic congestion is growing, in particular on the entrances to the city;
- There is a lack of parking spaces in the yards of apartment buildings;
- Working places are concentrated along Šilutės ave, in the city center, Klaipėda Port territory and Free Economic Zone area.

Klaipėda City Transport System. Problems in different areas

- Old town: growing traffic flow has negative influence on historic buildings; this part of the city is inconvenient for pedestrians, disabled persons, young children;
- **Residential areas:** parking problems in the yards of multistorey buildings; unacttractive environment for pedestrians and cyclists lack of lighting, worn sidewalks;
- Areas (port, FEZ, commercial) where working places are situated: hard to reach by public transport, by feet or cycling, most employees and customers come by individual car;
- **Suburbs:** rapid grow of new residential areas in Klaipėda district increases traffic flow in peak hours, lack of public transport, lack of social infrastructure.

"The urban sprawl" (2004-2018)

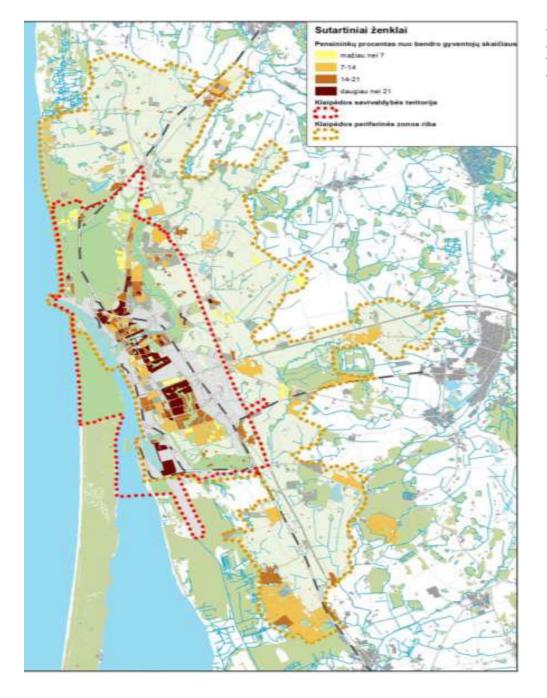




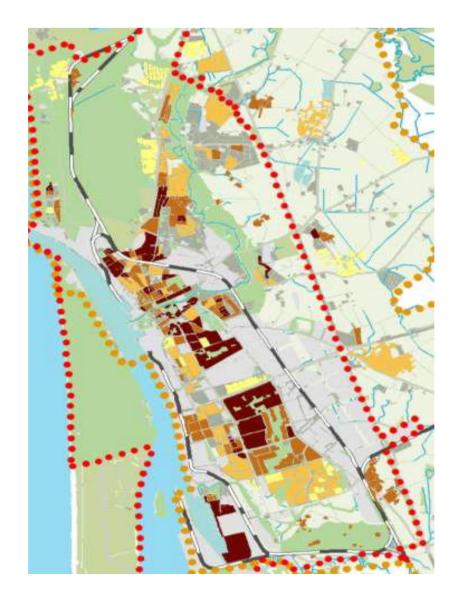
Klaipėda City suburbanization process:

Part of the City	Inhabi- tants	Area*, ha	Den- sity p/ha
Central	15281	207	74
Median	141540	1927	73
Periphery	19969	3061	6,5
Whole City	161200	2833	57
City+ Periphery	173620	5041	34

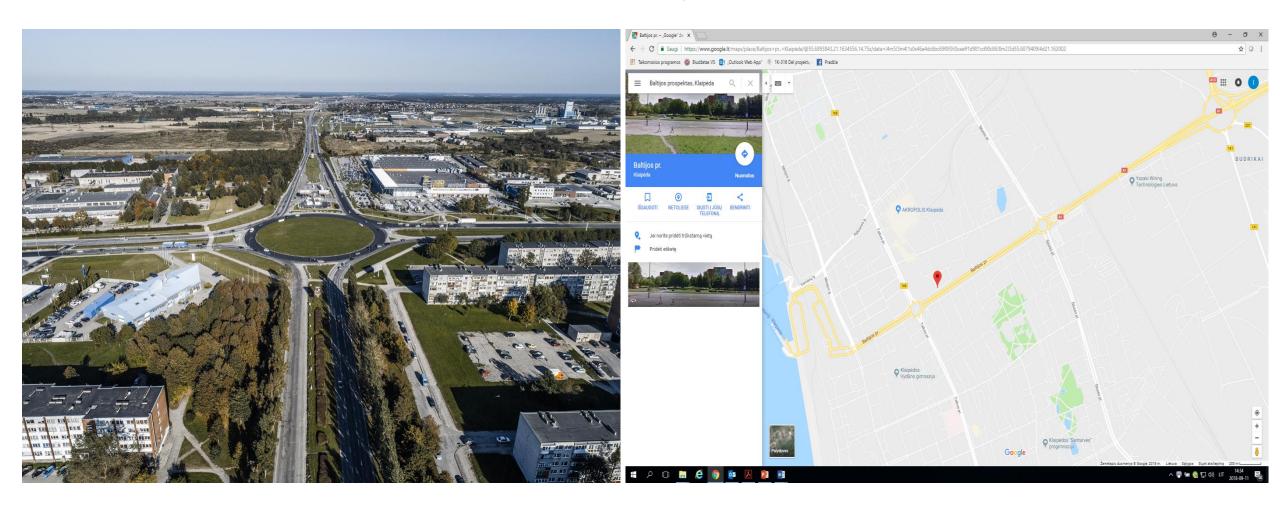
*Built-up area



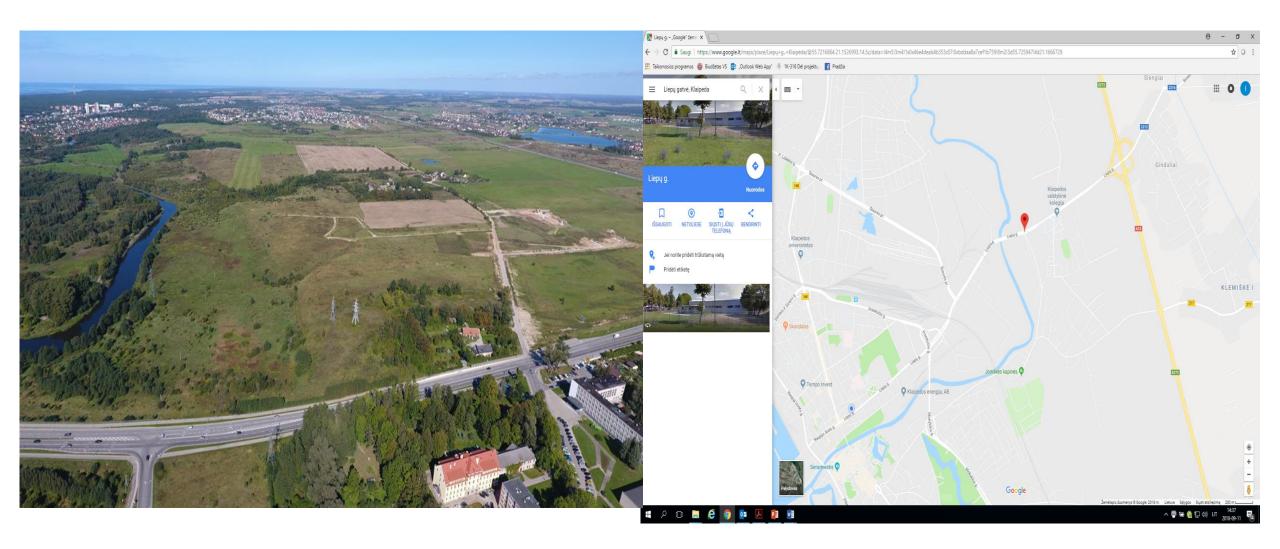
Percentage of elderly population in Klaipeda City and periphery



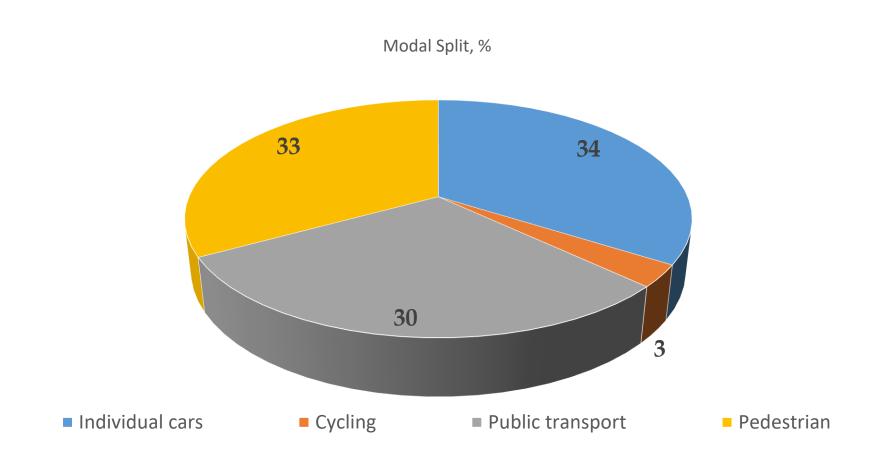
Central entrance to Klaipeda City and Port. Baltijos blvd. and Silutes ave. juction



Northern entrance to Klaipeda City and Port. Liepų street and Palanga ave. juction



Klaipėda City Transport System. Modal split in 2017



Steps to Sustainable Mobility

MAIN DOCUMENTS

- Preparation of Klaipėda city traffic development study;
- Preparation of bicycle and pedestrian paths development special plan;
- Preparation of Klaipėda city sustainable mobility plan (SUMP);
- Preparation of Klaipeda city master plan;
- Participation in Civitas Portis program (by Horizons 2020 programme, PORTIS project)



Vision of Klaipėda City Sustainable Mobility

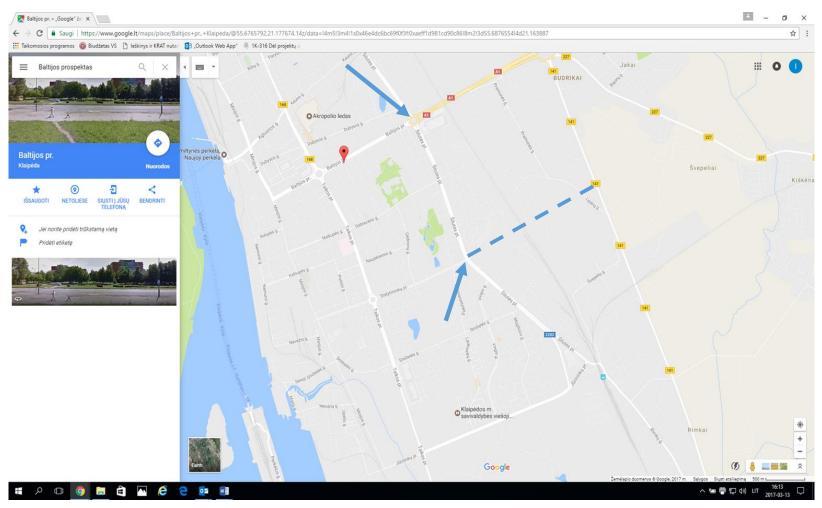
Klaipėda is a city, where residents choose walking, cycling and public transport for daily commuting.





Steps to avoid transport congestion

- To reconstruct Baltijos blvd. Silutes ave. junction into two level juction;
- To build a Statybininku blvd. extension from the Silutes blvd. through FEZ territory to the intersection with the 141st road;



Steps to develop Sustainable Mobility

- Integration of Klaipėda city and neighboring municipalities public transport routes;
- Increasing the number of ecological vehicles in public transport system;
- Development of cycling paths, bike sharing and bike storing system;
- Development of pathways
- Modernizing traffic managment system by implementing ICT (prioritization of Public Transport).







Thank you for listening!!!