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MAKE IT SIMPLE

-make PEOPLE CITIES your first priority

**We are eagerly waiting
for all the wonderful
new technological
developements which
will solve all our mobility
problems.....!**

Autonomous Cars

-will solve all the problems we ever had!!!



Drones & Helicopters

-will solve the rest of the problems!!!



Smart City



**All these new
technological ideas will
be very expensive
– and it will take a long
time before they are
available in all parts of
the world**

**While we are waiting:
Are there other meaningful
things we should do?**

Yes!

**Make Cities for People your
first priority**

Problem:

**For the past 50 years we
have done whatever we
could to chase people out
of our cities**



In the old Cities: Focus on Spaces



In modern Cities: Focus on Objects



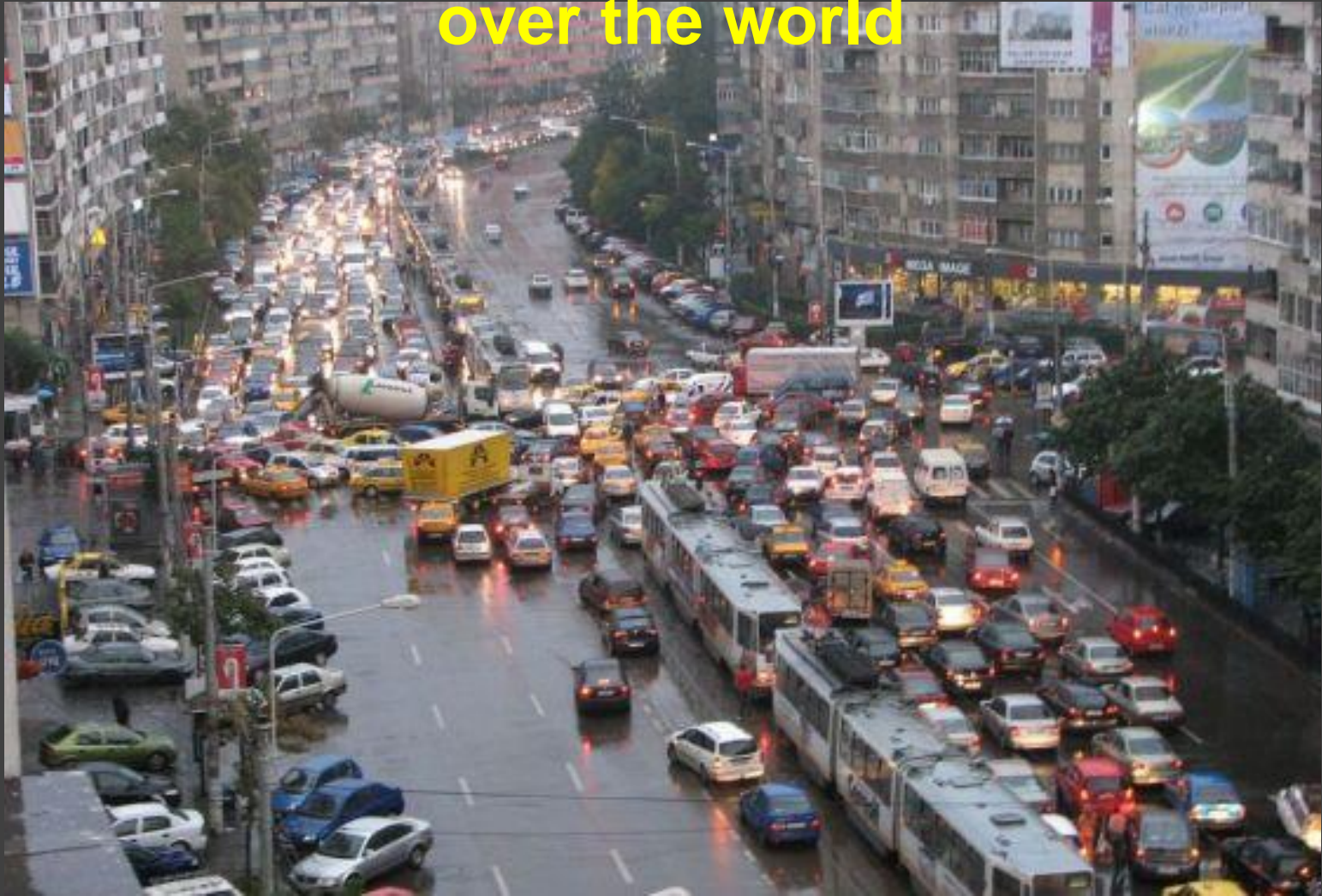
**The result being:
A good bye to concern for People**

- in the same period the 'Car Invasion' took over city spaces worldwide



and the People were chased out

**People are treated badly in cities all
over the world**



Bucharest, Romania

Most problematic conditions are found in the Developing Country Cities



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**It is about time to win
back the cities for people
and there will be
numerous advantages**

THE CLIENT:

A slow, linear,
horizontal,
max 5 km/h
walking creature
– with a great
interest in
OTHER PEOPLE.



The Human Dimension

Give People room to walk and to meet



People in the city is the No.1 attraction

Sustainable City



**The more we walk and cycle the better.
Good public realm is very important for
good public transport**

Healthy City



“The Sitting Syndrome” makes it essential that we move more - and SIT less

WHO
(World Health Organization)
Global Action Plan
2008

**” – introduce transport policies
that promote active and safe
methods of traveling
such as walking or cycling- ”**

Will there be cities saying:

In this City everything will be done to invite people to **walk and **bicycle** as much as possible in the course of their daily day doings”**

Cities all over the World are doing this now

Sydney, Main Street



Moscow, Side Street



Times Square, New York, 2009



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New Bike Lanes in New York from 2008.....

Winning back the sidewalks, Moscow, 2013





**Cleaning up and winning back the sidewalks,
Bogota, Colombia, 2001**



A New Citywide Bikelane System, Sydney, 2015....



Improved Public Traffic Systems Worldwide

Making sure the Mobility Policies work!



**Mayor in Vilnius, Lithuania:
“Do not park in my bike lanes”**



Prioritising Pedestrians and bicyclists to improve the Economy for the 80% of the People who have no access to cars.(Bogota, Colombia, 2001)

**Copenhagen, Denmark (1,5 Mio) 1962 – 2020:
From traffic place to People Place**



58 years of people-first policies!



All the Waterfront streets... made into people places



1962



2020

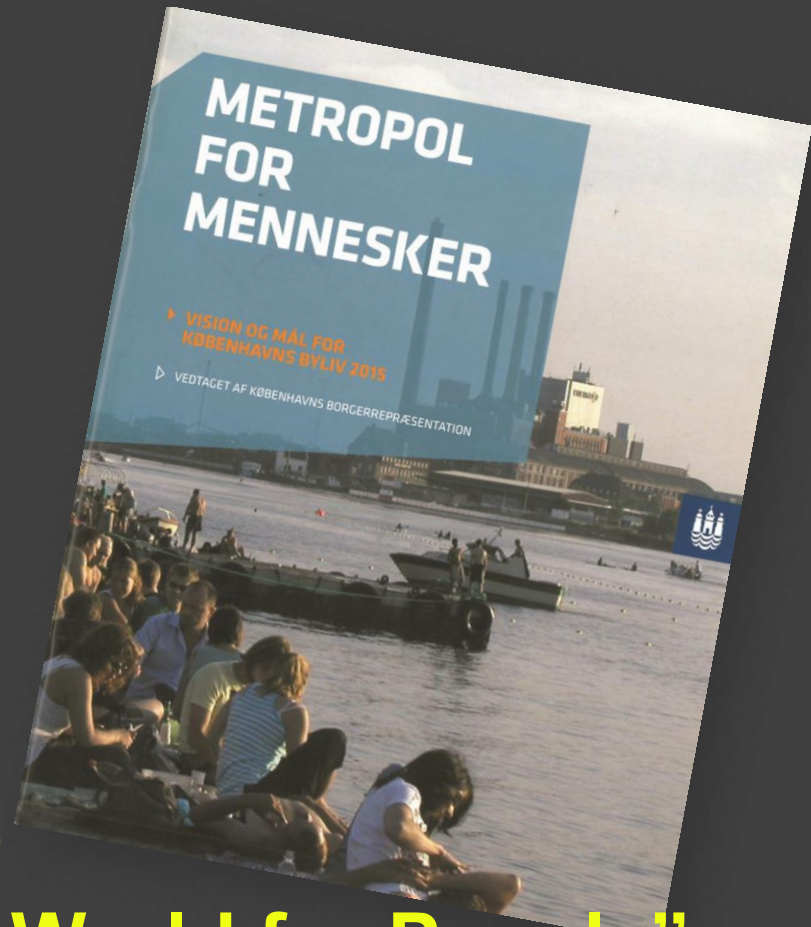


City of Copenhagen

- **Livability**
- **Sustainability**
- **Health**
- **Social Inclusion**
- **Democracy**

New Strategy **2009**

“Best City in the World for People”



**"Old" Copenhagen Street:
4-5 car lanes**



**New Copenhagen Street:
2 car lanes
Street trees
2 bikelanes
2 sidewalks
-and a good median for
safe streetcrossings**



**General improvements
for pedestrians and
public life throughout
the city.**

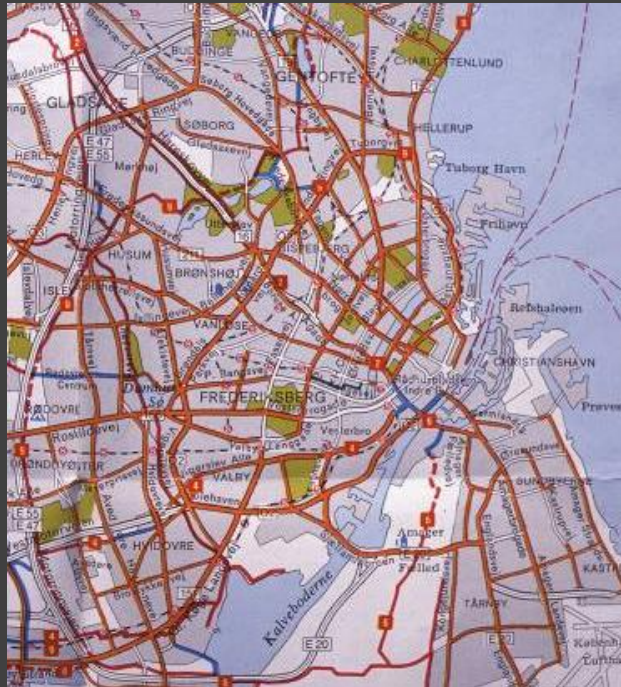
Walk, be safe, enjoy

**Priority for pedestrians and bicyclists:
Sidewalks and bicycle tracks are taken across all the smaller
side streets**



Walk, be safe, enjoy

Bicycling in Copenhagen - on a citywide network of bicycle lanes





- an efficient, citywide transportation system





The street crossings have been made very safe for bicyclists



**Bicycles in the
city trains
– for free**



Shortcuts for bicycles everywhere

City of Copenhagen

- **Livability**
- **Sustainability**
- **Health**
- **Economy**

New Strategy **2011**

“Best City in the World for Bicycling”





**Major problem serious congestion
- on the bicycle lanes**



**Response: Doubling the widths
of the bicycle lanes**

An impressive culture of using bicycles has gradually evolved



2018: 49% use bicycle for commuting
(2009: 38%)

A lesson from Copenhagen:



**Given good invitations
you will have more walking,
more public life and more bicycling**

Cities of the Future!
Dreams and
worries!!



What not to do:

DUBAI

**Emphasis on skyscrapers and mobility
- But in no way a people city**

A vibrant, pedestrian-friendly urban plaza. In the foreground, a woman sits on a bench on the left, and a young boy in a red shirt plays with a water fountain. Other children are nearby with scooters. The plaza is paved with large stones and has a wet, reflective surface. In the background, people are walking, sitting on benches, and playing. The area is surrounded by brick buildings and lush green trees. The scene is bright and sunny, with shadows cast across the pavement.

What to do? "VENICE"

**No cars – Great for People
-but complicated mobility**



**Why not try the
Copenhagen Model?**

**Strategy: Putting People First
Good for People & Good Mobility**

In conclusion:

PEOPLE CITIES

as first priority

- *Its the simplest and cheapest you can do**
- *It creates better cities for everyone**
- *It is for cities in ALL PARTS of the World**
- *And you can start tomorrow**