



Diverse practices and experiences of public transport as a digital and physical public space

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Public transport as a public space



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Research Questions



What makes public transport a public space?

What tensions do the element of fares reveal about the governance and use of public transport as a public space?

What factors shape the daily experiences of users of public transport as public space?

What practices do users adopt to access and appropriate public spaces on the example of public transport?

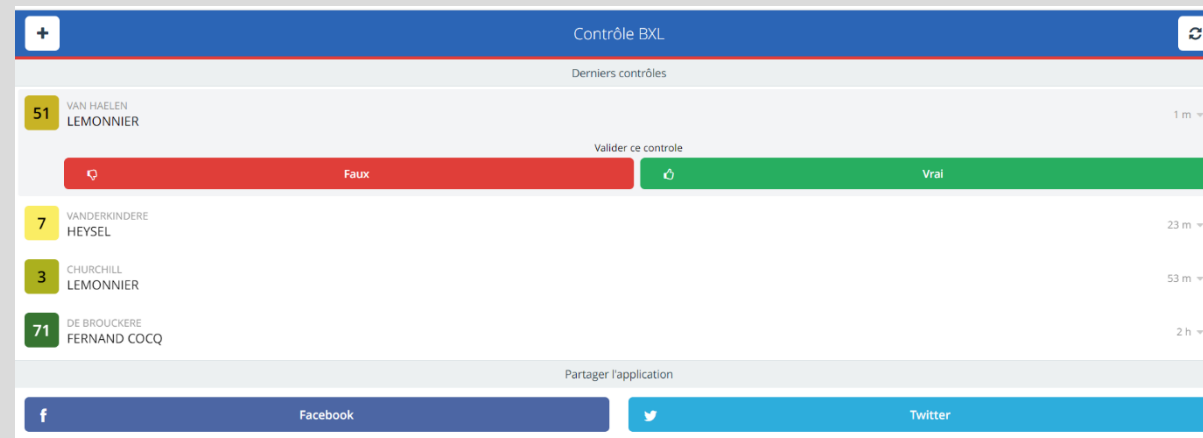
Case Study I: Fare Evasion in Brussels



Methodology

Qualitative research in Brussels

- Observational study in 17 metro stations;
- Interviews with fare evaders (27);
- Digital ethnography.



Lessons from fare evasion



Diversity of practices and motives;

Intertwined physical and virtual spaces;

Fare evasion affects the publicness of transport by

enabling encounters and interaction;

sharing and creating knowledge;

creating a sense of solidarity and community;

transgressing material and political boundaries.

Case Study 2: Care mobilities in Tallinn



Methodology

Qualitative research in Tallinn

- Semi-structured interviews;
- Travel diaries with photovoice;
- Focus group interviews.

ARE YOU A PARENT OR CARETAKER USING PUBLIC TRANSPORT?

Share your experience and participate in our research project

For a study in the city of Tallinn, we are looking for people who regularly use public transport to accompany children or other persons or to carry out care and household tasks.

During the study you will be invited for a short interview, to fill in a travel diary or to participate in a focus group discussion in November and December 2021.

5 good reasons to participate:

- Support local research activities;
- Share your experiences, reflect on your activities and raise awareness on matters concerning your daily life;
- Participation is simple and straightforward;
- During the focus group we will provide snacks, drinks and childcare options;
- Receive a gift voucher as a thank you.



Interested in participating or learning more about the study? Write to **Louise** on louise.strauli@tlu.ee or +37256573410. The study is part of the PUTSPACE research project (<https://putspace.eu/>) at Tallinn University.

OLETE ÜHISTRANSPORDI LAPSEVANEM VÕI HOOLEKÄSIKAS?

Tulge võtke osa meie uuringust ja jagage oma kogemusi

Otsime inimesi, kes kasutavad regulaarselt ühistransporti, et tegeleda majapidamist hoolitseda laste ja teiste inimeste hooldamisega või teha kodu- ja hooldustööd. Uurimistöö käigus kutsutakse teid osalema intervjuul, palutakse täita liikumispäevikut fookusgrupis. Tegevus toimub perioodil 1. novembrist kuni 31. detsembrini 2021.

5 head põhjust projektis kaasaolla:

- Saate toetada kohalikku teadustööd
- see on võimalus jagada oma kogemusi ja teha koos rääkimist ja teadustööd
- osalemine on lihtne ja huvitav;
- fookusgrupi kokkutulekul pakume teile suupäraseid toite, jooke ja laste hooldust;
- tänutäheks osalemise eest anname teile kingikardi!



Kas olete huvitatud osalemisest või soovite rohkem teada saada? Kirjuta Louisele: louise.strauli@tlu.ee või +372 56573410. Uuring on osa PUTSPACE uuringuprojektist (<https://putspace.eu/>) Tallinn ülikoolis.

ЧАСТО ПОЛЬЗУЕТЕСЬ ОБЩЕСТВЕННЫМ ТРАНСПОРТОМ ДЛЯ СОПРОВОЖДЕНИЯ ДЕТЕЙ ИЛИ ВЫПОЛНЕНИЯ ПОВСЕДНЕВНЫХ ДЕЛ?

Поделитесь вашим опытом и участвуйте в нашем исследовательском проекте

Для нашего исследования в Таллинне, мы ищем людей, которые регулярно пользуются общественным транспортом с целью сопровождения детей или других лиц, поездок на работу, ухода, а также выполнения повседневных дел.

Участие в исследовании включает: короткое интервью, заполнение небольшого дневника путешествий (мысленно или на бумаге) и участие в дискуссии фокус-группы в ноябре и декабре 2021 года.

5 главных причин для участия в проекте:

- Вы сможете поддержать исследование в своем городе
- Нам по-настоящему важны ваши рассказы о том, как сделать общественный транспорт более доступным
- Вы сможете поделиться своим опытом о повседневной жизни города
- Формат участия очень прост и понятен
- Вы также получите подарочный сертификат в благодарность за ваше участие.



Если вы заинтересованы в участии и/или хотели бы узнать подробности, пожалуйста, свяжитесь с Луиз по почте louise.strauli@tlu.ee или по телефону +372 56573410. Данное исследование организовано проектом PUTSPACE (<https://putspace.eu/>) и Таллиннским университетом.

MOBILITY DIARY

Name / Pseudonym _____ Date _____

1. JOURNEYS

a. I did not travel on public transport today.

Please briefly explain how you moved instead and why you did not use public transportation:

b. I travelled on public transport today and undertook the following journeys:

Time of day	Mode of Transport	Destination	Purpose	Accompaniment

2. PHOTOGRAPH

a. I took a picture today.

Please explain what is depicted on the photograph and why you took this photograph:

b. I did not take a picture today.

Please explain what you would have photographed on your journey today and why did not take a photograph:

Insights from Tallinn

Photovoice for valuable insights and discussions;

Individual considerations (time, network, accessibility)
for care mobilities;

No fares as relevant for accessing urban spaces.



Ice at the Hiiu Tran station. It's more slippery than it looks. No gravel on it, but plenty on the concrete. I stepped away from the yellow line as the train moved and slipped, which seems dangerous to me.

5:09 pm



Again, because of the free travel, I was able to join extra sessions for my baby. Without this it would become quite expensive and I would probably not go. (Diary entry on 19.11.2021)

Conclusions

Diverse perceptions of mobility constraints and transport dependency;

Varying travel behaviour and care responsibilities;

Novel research approaches incorporating virtual and physical spaces of transport.