

VELO-CITY 2018 CONFERENCE

ORGANIZED IN RIO DE JANEIRO, BRAZIL

The [European Cyclists' Federation \(ECF\)](#) organizes in Rio de Janeiro (Brasil) the international [Velo-City 2018 Conference](#), which will take place from 12 to 15 June 2018.

The European Cyclists' Federation's Velo-city conferences are designed to encourage cycling as part of daily transport and recreation. Starting in 1980, Velo-City conferences [have been held in 25 cities of the world](#).

Velo-City conferences are now attracting about 1,500 delegates from more than 65 different countries. Velo-city conferences bring together the actors involved in policy, promotion and the provision of cycling facilities and programs. Engineers, planners, architects, social marketers, academic researchers, environmentalists, business, and industry representatives join forces with government at all levels ranging from municipal politicians, policy makers and educators in knowledge-sharing in order to build effective trans-national partnerships to deliver benefits worldwide.

The Goals of the Velo-City conferences are:

- Spread high quality knowledge, good new information about cycling, and transport planning at the international level.
- Cities with good cycling policies showcase the benefits they provide to their citizens, businesses and others through the conference generated publicity.
- Encourage the recognition of cycling as an efficient, healthy, environmentally-friendly mode of transport, and to promote its greater use.
- Integration of cycle planning into transport, land-use planning and other relevant policy sectors where cycling plays an important role.
- Seek involvement from all relevant stakeholders.

The city of Rio de Janeiro has offered to host the International Conference to enhance and strengthen the policies that it is already implementing to promote the bicycle as a means of sustainable urban mobility. With more than 450 kilometers of bicycle lane, Rio de Janeiro is ready to receive all actors interested in further promoting the use of cycling in the country and in the world.

The [European Cyclists' Federation \(ECF\)](#), founded in 1983, is an umbrella federation for national cycling organizations which promote bikes for urban mobility and cycle tourism for a sustainable economic development throughout Europe.



Interested participants have been invited by ECF to present contributions to the Velo-City 2018 Conference on the following topics: [Learn to Live, Happiness and Quality of Life, Integrating Life and Transport, Lively Economy](#). The call for papers is now closed and the program of the Conference is being defined on the basis of the contributions received from experts from many countries. The programme will be available in the Conference website.

To know more

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