Citizen's network: fulfilling the potential of public passenger transport in Europe. Green paper

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The Committee welcomes the Commission's Green Paper as a first step towards ensuring and improving the mobility desired by citizens - and for many people providing it for the first time. For the Committee, the idea of a Citizens' Network represents an alternative for the future. Its aim must be: to provide a link between transport flows, carriers and modes at local level; to link up with regional and long-distance services; and to give priority to public passenger transport. The Committee also regrets that the Green Paper lacks a coordinated overall approach. It is not enough merely to string separate topics together. What is needed is to apply the basic idea of interconnection even more forcefully to the relevant policy areas and measures.