

*COST Action TU 1002 - "Accessibility instruments for planning practice in Europe"  
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### **Scientific Report**

This was the second MC meeting of COST Action TU1002 of 2012. This MC meeting was held to present, explain and discuss the outcomes of the first pilot workshop held in Breda, earlier that week. All Work Units need to give feedback on the protocols used and make an attempt to translate it into their own context.

The first day (5<sup>th</sup> July) started with two keynote lectures of invited speakers on the use of knowledge in strategic planning processes. The first invited keynote speaker, Henrik Gudmundsson, was not able to come to the conference. He was replaced by Luca Bertolini. His keynote focussed on the land use and transport planning history of Amsterdam and showed how accessibility has changed over time in the city and region. The second keynote speaker, Thomas Fischer, presented his research on the effective use of indicators in the Netherlands, Germany and the UK. The main message was that indicators only play a partial, if not limited, role in urban decision making. In the afternoon, a team of WG3 presented the process protocol for the local workshops and the experience with it in Breda (Pilot Workshop) and Napoli (Junior Research Network Summer School). It was clear to the audience and after some discussion, the room agreed that it was doable in all local context to perform such a workshop. The day closed with a MC meeting in which the MC voted on the following process and meetings.

The second day (6<sup>th</sup> July) opened with a keynote presentation by Etiënne Rouwette on measuring the effects of interventions in group processes. He presented his research on Group Model Building and on the effects that he attempted to operationalize and measure. In interaction with the room, the implications for the work of the local Work Units were discussed. After this discussion, the team of WG3 introduced the measurement protocol and the experiences with this in Breda and Napoli. The afternoon was reserved for parallel work group sessions of WG2 and WG3. In both, the implications of the presented and discussed protocols were discussed and a detailed agenda for the coming period.

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