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Accessibility instruments for Planning Practice

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**Stavanger WU assessing the use and
needs of Accessibility Instruments**

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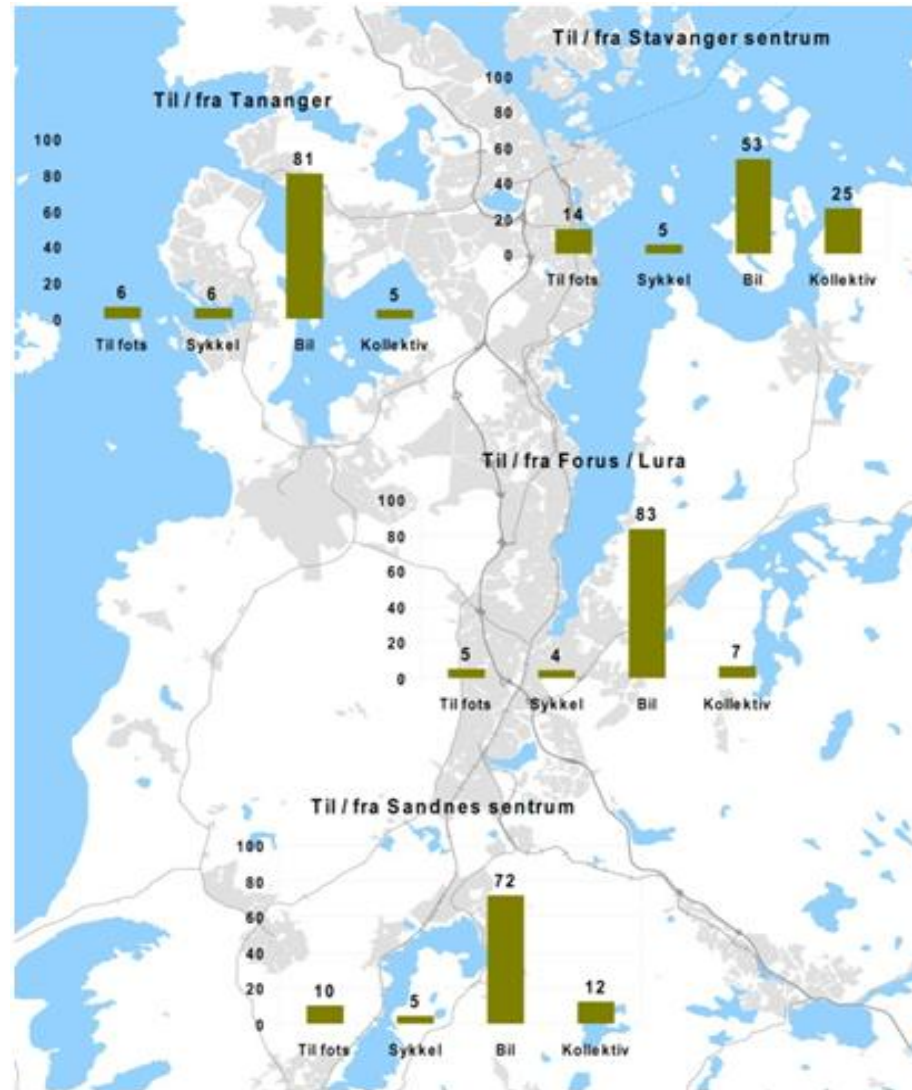
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The Stavanger Region



4 municipalities, third largest urban area in Norway.
250.000 inhabitants 2010, Expected 400.000 in 2040!
Planning LRT (Bybanen) to take 15% of trips
(248.000 PT trips out of 1.600.000 trips) in 2040.
Cost of Bybanen estimated to 5 Billion Euro

The car dominates!



The problem: PT supply and individual trip demand



Stavanger Case – planning background

- Very few planners involved, some 30-40 years experience in the region.
- Very knowledgeable regarding: planning history, political positions and power.
- A conservative coalition to the right has ruled both municipalities and the region for decades.
- Bybanen has no formal position in national structure for funding transport infrastructure
- Highway infrastructure is mainly financed by Road Tolls in Cities.
- To plan and implement new LRT in urban areas is an extremely complex political power game, although nearly everybody agree on the sustainability goals!

Some issues regarding interviews in Stavanger:

- Highly skilled planners, trained in giving ambiguous and oblique answers.
- Very difficult to divide the instruments used in planning from the case itself. Critic of Bybanen has been crushed (Flybjerg, Wachs, Brunson).
- How does the strong shift away from *Public Planning* towards "*Development tailor-made for property speculators*" influence the use of planning instruments like accessibility models?
- What types of Knowledge and Competence are in demand?

