Accessible Cities – Will they be safer?

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About EASST

EASST is a partnership of local road safety organisations:

• Albania
• Armenia
• Azerbaijan
• Belarus
• Georgia
• Greece
• Kazakhstan

• Kyrgyzstan
• Latvia
• Moldova
• Mongolia
• Russia
• Tajikistan
• Ukraine
Belarus
69% difficulties travelling outside their hometown
Common complaint – short pedestrian traffic lights

Kyrgyzstan
85% - mobility as pedestrian or wheelchair user was ‘impossible’ (46%) or ‘very difficult’ (39%)
• Open holes
• No traffic lights
• Steep entrances
Azerbaijan

2/3 - ‘very hard’ or ‘impossible’ to use the bus

Frequent complaint – Poor ‘special’ facilities

Moldova

Nearly half of students have difficulty getting to school or university

16% of people never travel outside community
Some issues for All:

- Dangerous **parking**, cars blocking the way
- Unsafe **pedestrian crossings**, long crossing times
- No **signs**, invisible **lines**, poor **visibility**
- Broken or no **pavements**
- No acoustic, tactile or other **assistance** in public transport and streets
- **Overcrowded, inaccessible** public transport
Underpasses and bridges
Who else is impacted?
Who are our roads for?

https://www.carsome.my/news/item/Why-Driving-In-The-City-Is-Bad
User-friendly cities