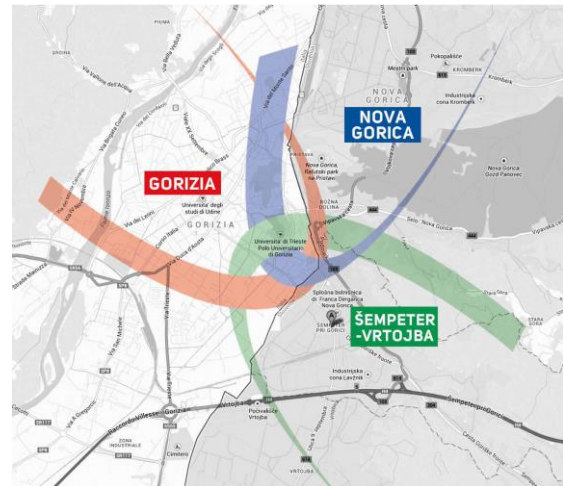


EGTC GO Cross-border Public Urban Mobility Plan

Partners: EGTC GO, comprising the municipalities of Gorizia (I), Nova Gorica (SLO) and Šempeter-Vrtojba (SLO)

The Territory

The municipalities of Gorizia (IT), Nova Gorica (SI) and Šempeter-Vrtojba (SI), contiguous to each other on the Italian-Slovenian border, cover an area of 46,7 km² and altogether they include a population of approximately 75.000 inhabitants. On August 8, 2011, they established the EGTC GO to identify and cope with common challenges as well as finding solutions for the integration of services reducing the public spending and improving the quality of life of the citizens.



The Identified Obstacle

Different obstacles hinder the integration of the urban transport networks operating in the EGTC GO area. The obstacles of administrative and legal nature are:

- Restrictions on cabotage operations at cross-border level;
- Different pricing systems in the two countries;
- Inadequate information on the service in the neighbouring country, emphasised by the use of different languages.

The Proposed Solution

The proposal intends to mobilise relevant actors at local, regional and national level to conclude a cooperation agreement to develop a cross-border urban transport system. The initiative *b-solutions* will allow to carry out an analysis of the traffic flows in the cross-border area and the financial viability of an extended cross-border transport service. These studies will serve as base for the agreement. As such, the agreement shall enable the transport operators to set up new cross-border bus lines within the target area. Consequently, it will contribute to conceive the border area shared by the three cities as a single urban system.