

# SUSTAINABLE APPROACH TO TRAVEL

We cannot avoid all types of travel. "He, who finds the way, will always carry the destination within himself." wrote Nejc Zaplotnik, one of the legendary conquerors of white peaks. How to literally find the right path? When moving from point A to point B and back.



It is an undisputed fact that passenger transport constitutes one of the largest polluters with greenhouse gas emissions. The most disputed is air travel, however, in case of urgent long travel there are no suitable alternatives. However, on shorter distances that many people continue to travel in their own way (based on information from REUS, a quarter of Slovenians never use public passenger transport) we have several environment-friendly alternatives which we are all familiar with. Walking and cycling. Even if this (zero-emission traffic) is not possible, we have public transportation, vehicles with lower emissions (hybrids, plug-in hybrids, electrical vehicles) or at least carpooling (more passenger in a single vehicle).

REFLECTION:

## COMPARE HOW CO<sub>2</sub> EMISSIONS VARY BETWEEN THE LISTED ALTERNATIVES:

- > **PERSONAL VEHICLE WITH A SINGLE PASSENGER = 100% CO<sub>2</sub> EMISSIONS**

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- > **ELECTRICAL VEHICLE = 100% LESS CO<sub>2</sub> EMISSIONS**  
(WHEN USING ELECTRICAL ENERGY FROM RENEWABLE SOURCES)

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- > **PERSONAL VEHICLE WITH FOUR PASSENGERS = 75% LESS CO<sub>2</sub> EMISSIONS**

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- > **TRAIN = 70% LESS EMISSIONS**

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- > **BUS = 60% LESS EMISSIONS**

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- > **PLUG IN HYBRID WITH A SINGLE PASSENGER = 50% LESS EMISSIONS**

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- > **HYBRID WITH A SINGLE PASSENGER = 30% LESS CO<sub>2</sub> EMISSIONS**

## CONSIDER YOUR OPTIONS BEFORE YOU START YOUR TRAVEL. DO YOU ACCEPT THE CHALLENGE?

By following the simple recommendations below you will not only benefit yourself, but you will also benefit everyone else. The individuals, the society, and the nature that surrounds us. This is a long journey and a responsible investment. Every step matters. Together we travel with zero emissions!

### 1. WHEN TRAVELLING LESS THAN 2 KM (SHORT TRAVEL), WALK.

Plan your errands and tasks well. If possible, merge them. Do not be blinded by the "in the last moment", "as fast as possible", "yesterday" and "now" philosophy which can indirectly lead to significant pollution. Do you agree?

### 2. COMPLETE AS MANY SHORTER TRAVELS (FROM 5 TO 10 KM) ON FOOT OR BY BICYCLE.

Record them!

### 3. IF YOU ARE TRAVELLING ALONE, USE PUBLIC TRANSPORT. THIS IS NOT AN OPTION?

Record your daily excuse. Most of the time such excuses are actually made up. Do you agree?

### 4. DID YOU KNOW THAT ON AVERAGE VEHICLES IN SLOVENIA ARE OCCUPIED BY 1.29 PERSONS?

Increase the average! Start by taking two out of three journeys together with others.

### 5. RECORD YOUR JOURNEYS AND CALCULATE THE EMISSIONS.

How environment friendly were you in one week, one month, one year? You will see that you can be efficient. May a good habit become a tradition.



## LET YOUR STEP BECOME A PART OF THE RELAY RACE! PASS THE MESSAGE!



The report of the International Panel for Climate Change (IPCC August, 2021) clearly states that climate warming is the result of human activity. Don't turn a blind eye. This is my, your, our problem. Take action! Accept the challenge! Inspire your friend, neighbour, mother, acquaintance and trigger the wave of change. Together we can move mountains!

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