

**Question for written answer E-000592/2022
to the Commission**

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Subject: Commission Notice on well-functioning and sustainable local passenger transport-on-demand (taxis and PHV) (2022/C 62/01)

The Commission recently published Notice 2022/C 62/01, guidance on passenger transport-on-demand, included in the new EU Urban Mobility Framework, aimed at increasing the sustainability of the sector and delivering 'efficient services to citizens while maintaining a smoothly functioning single market and addressing social and safety concerns'. The notice states the importance of both taxi and private hire vehicles (PHV) becoming 'more sustainable and [moving] towards zero-emission-vehicles'. However, the Commission does not set deadlines or offer any proposal on how to make this possible. Furthermore, it fails to explain how the likely increase in cars in urban areas, resulting from the easing of requirements for PHV, could make the sector sustainable. The notice also states that requirements such as 'extensive detailed geographical knowledge' for taxis or PHV are no longer needed.

1. Research has shown a disproportionate increase in the prices of PHV in regions and countries where this model has displaced traditional taxis¹. Did the Commission assess this before issuing the notice?
2. How could an increase in cars circulating in cities lead to more financial and environmental sustainability?
3. How will the removal of requirements such as 'geographical knowledge' improve safety for passengers?

¹ <https://taxiproject.eu/analisis-de-los-precios-dinamicos-de-uber-en-san-francisco-y-los-angeles/>