



CITTÀ DI AVIGLIANA

Città metropolitana di Torino

To the attention of:
Murat Kurum, President of the COP 31
To the Parties to the COP31

Avigliana, August 5, 2026

Dear Mr President, dear Parties to the COP31,

Here in the town of Avigliana (Metropolitan City of Turin, Italy), everyday cycling is considered an important part of the solutions to reduce transport related carbon emissions while at the same time having many other benefits.

Therefore in the past years we have built new cycle paths (44km can be covered by bike today in the municipality), also with the Valsusa Mountain Union with the new Francigena Cycleway, which connects Turin with Bussoleno. We have also promoted bike rides, organized bike to school events, organized bicycle riding lessons for children and created new bike boxes for bike storage at the railway station to encourage modal shift.

We commit at local level to the following before 2030:

- Complete a basic structural network of bike lanes and cycle paths until 2030, especially with inter-town and multimodal connectivity for daily journeys.
- Decrease car traffic by limiting both speed and volume.
- Design dedicated plans going to 2030 and covering all the possible leverages to develop cycling (with appropriate, dedicated funding and implementation reviews that include the bike associations).
- Increase exclusive bike/walk areas significantly until 2030 near schools, public transport hubs, local shops, green areas.
- Generalize appropriate bike storage capacity in transport hubs, shopping areas, schools, offices, homes until 2030 (including cargo-bikes), starting with the construction of a bicycle station in front of the railway station.
- Organize one mass yearly cycling event, for all ages to advocate to a wide audience and develop one "house of the bike" to repair, train, meet, host.
- Train, especially below 12 and women, for better cycling and empowerment and promote financial benefits.
- Develop the associated economic sector (services, manufacturing, leasing, sharing...) via specific tax incentives/subsidies, starting with the creation of a bike hub along the Francigena Cycleway, in the municipality of Avigliana.
- Develop cargo-bike logistics for "last mile" delivery.
- Implement and share very regularly indicators to measure and monitor (satisfaction, accidents, dedicated network size, modal share...).

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By sharing with you our commitments at local and regional level, we urge you to take on the right commitments at national and international level as well.

This letter is brought to you by the COP31 Bike Ride and travelled all the way by bicycle, a symbolic and significant act that demonstrates that anything can be achieved with active mobility. Please be assured active travel can count on enormous support amongst big parts of society.

Yours sincerely,

The Mayor of Avigliana
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