

A vibrant illustration of a smart city. In the foreground, a red autonomous van is parked on a sidewalk. A person is riding a scooter, another is on a bicycle, and a third is walking. In the background, there are modern skyscrapers, a large domed building, and wind turbines. A drone is flying in the sky. The scene is set against a blue sky with clouds and birds.

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SPATIAL & TRANSPORT PLANNING  
FOR A NEW MOBILITY ERA

## Vision

Develop a new generation of harmonised spatial and multimodal transport planning tools which comprehensively model the dynamics of the changing transport sector and spatial organisation, enabling metropolitan area authorities to lead the transition to a low carbon new mobility era in a sustainable manner

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# Main outcomes



## Harmony Model Suite

A platform bringing together transport and spatial planning tools, people and freight activity-based models, network models and land-use models.



## Training material and activities

Authorities and transport professionals will develop skills and knowledge to use the model suite tools.



## Best practices for SUMP

The best practices for SUMP will provide authorities with evidence-based recommendations to update their Sustainable Urban Mobility Plans, including autonomous vehicles and drones.



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# Factsheet

21 partners from 9 European countries



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# HARMONY's AV and Drones demonstrations



- **Oxfordshire County (UK):**
  - AV + drones for freight
  - AV bus for passengers
- **Rotterdam (NL):**
  - AV van for freight
- **Trikala (GR):**
  - Drone for pharmaceutical purposes



# Fleet used for the demonstrations





# **The Trikala demonstration**



# Freight: drones

## **Need:**

- Pharmacies in villages receive medicines occasionally.
- When they run out of stock, someone has to drive to Trikala to pick up the medicines.
- But usually, elderly people that live in the villages, either call their relatives to deliver the medicines or they have to go/drive to Trikala to purchase them by themselves.

## **Challenges:**

- Medicines must be delivered to the person who has subscription
- Flying over citizens heads
- Ensure the box conditions (temperature and moisture sensor that could be monitored by the pharmacist)

## **Use case (final scenario tested):**

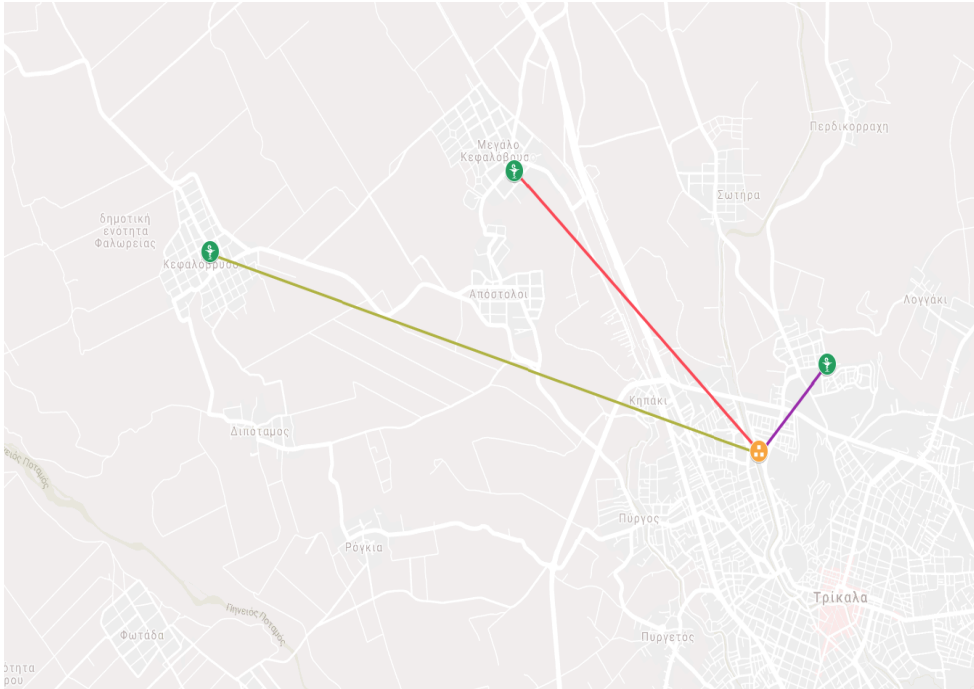
- Drone to deliver medicines to pharmacies located in villages upon urgent requests
- increase efficiency and quality of social care

## **Business opportunities:**

- Develop systems that can recognise the recipient and deliver directly to him/her



# Demonstration area



## 3 routes:

- Trikala to Leptokaria - 1km
- Trikala to Megalo Kefalovriso - 3.4km
- Trikala to Mikro Kefalovriso - 5.74km



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# Involved stakeholders

- **Griff:** drone provider
- **E-Trikala:** company owned by the Municipality of Trikala / public authority
- **YPA:** Greek national aviation authority
- **Univ. Aegean & UCL:** scientific guidance and support



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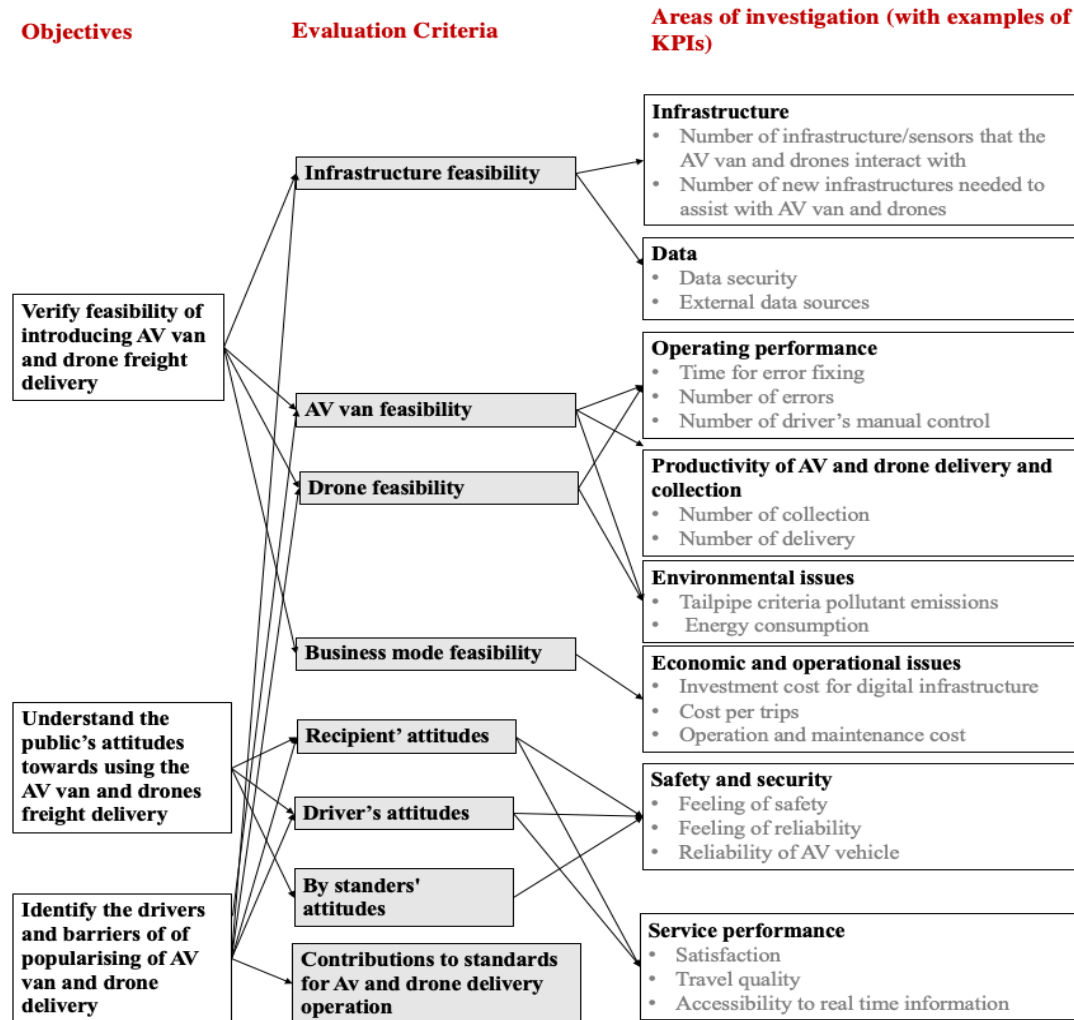


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# **Evaluation & KPIs for the demonstration**

# AVs & Drones demonstrations impact evaluation framework



Source: Kamargianni, M., Y. Zhan, and L. Yfantis, 2021.

# Examples of KPIS

KPI	Unit to be counted
<b>KPIs related to Data and Infrastructure</b>	
External data sources used for the AV demo	To measure what and how many external data sources was required for the vehicles to operate in the real-world environment
Number of infrastructure/sensors that the AV van interacted with	Number of infrastructure and which infrastructure
Communication data security	· Communication throughput including data security number of treated messages per time.
	· Number per time unit.
	· Collection method: self- assessment from solution provider.
Privacy protection	Is privacy ensured according to law / GDPR, i.e. no info about localization and real-time speed transmitted to the cloud?
<b>KPIs related to Autonomous Vehicles used for the demos</b>	
Test rides required – AV vans	Number of rides; duration of rides in minutes
Duration/Time in real traffic situations – AV vans	Duration / Time to be measured in minutes
Number of errors of the AV van during the testing phase	Number and type of errors happened during the testing
Time for error fixing	Hours per error
Number of instances where the driver must take manual control	Number of instances / km
Speed variation (st. dev. of speeds) while travelling at constant speed (on link section, single speed limit)	
Number of road traffic accidents	Number and type of road traffic accident
Number of crashes	
Number of traffic violations	
Energy consumption of a vehicle	liters/100km or electric equivalent
Tailpipe criteria pollutant emissions	(NOX, CO, PM10, PM2.5, VOC) in total per year and per vehicle-km or mile





# Lessons learned so far

## Lessons learned

- Companies are positive towards autonomous vans and willing to test them
- They are also positive towards drones, but they have more questions and takes more time to be convinced about the added value of the use cases
- Authorities -both local/regional and national aviation- are supportive and interested in learning through these demonstrations





# HARMONY - drone delivery in Trikala



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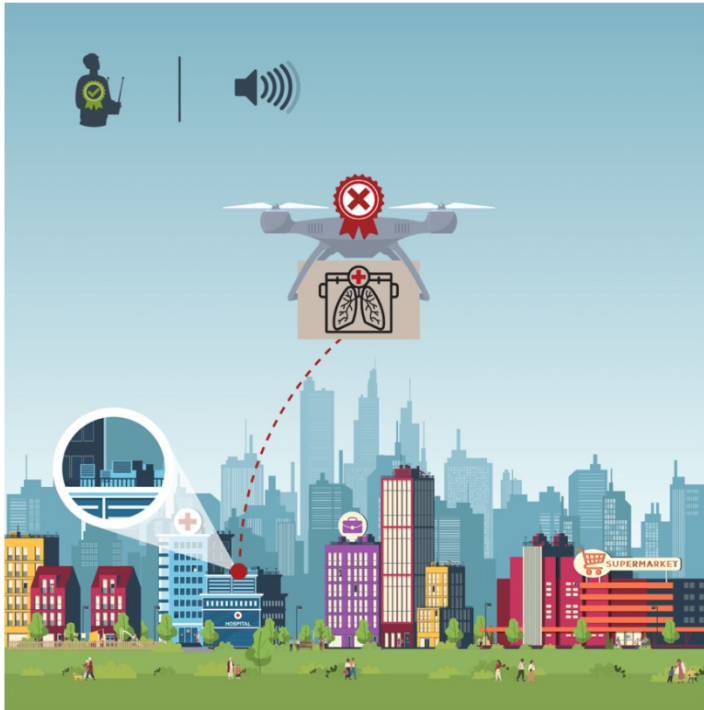


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# Drone delivery acceptance survey



<http://drones.survey.mobyx.co/>

# Thank you!

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