

Transport Planning Society

Special Session:

Growing and improving transport planning skills in Europe



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Transport Planning as a profession and the role of Professional Bodies

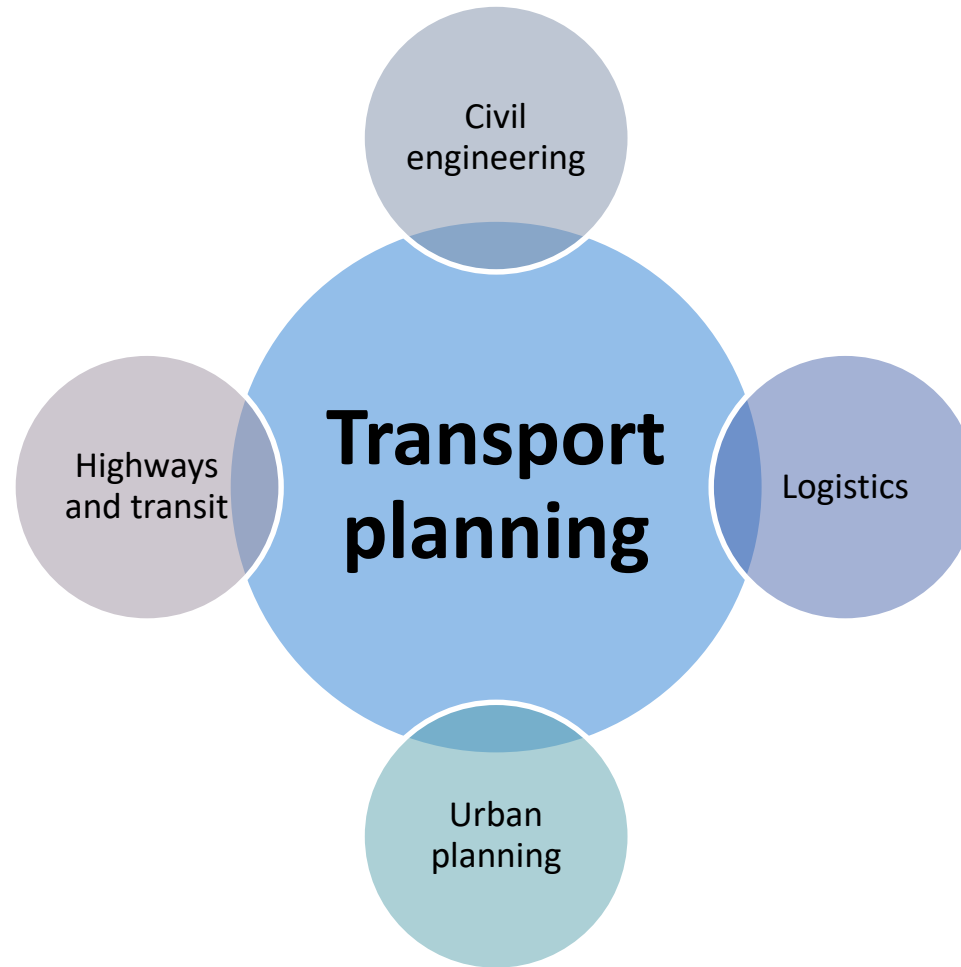
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Transport planning

- A **profession** in its own right
- A **vital role** in society
- UK success based on a **dedicated professional body and variety of routes to chartership**

Transport planning: a profession



Transport planning: a profession

- Transport planning is about preparing, assessing and implementing policies, plans and projects to improve and manage our transport systems
- There is a need for transport planning on a local, regional, national and international level
- It involves understanding the link between transport and land use, in particular the future shape of our towns and cities, and the activities people need to undertake their everyday lives

Transport planning: a vital role

Quality of life



Environment
and climate
change



Social equity



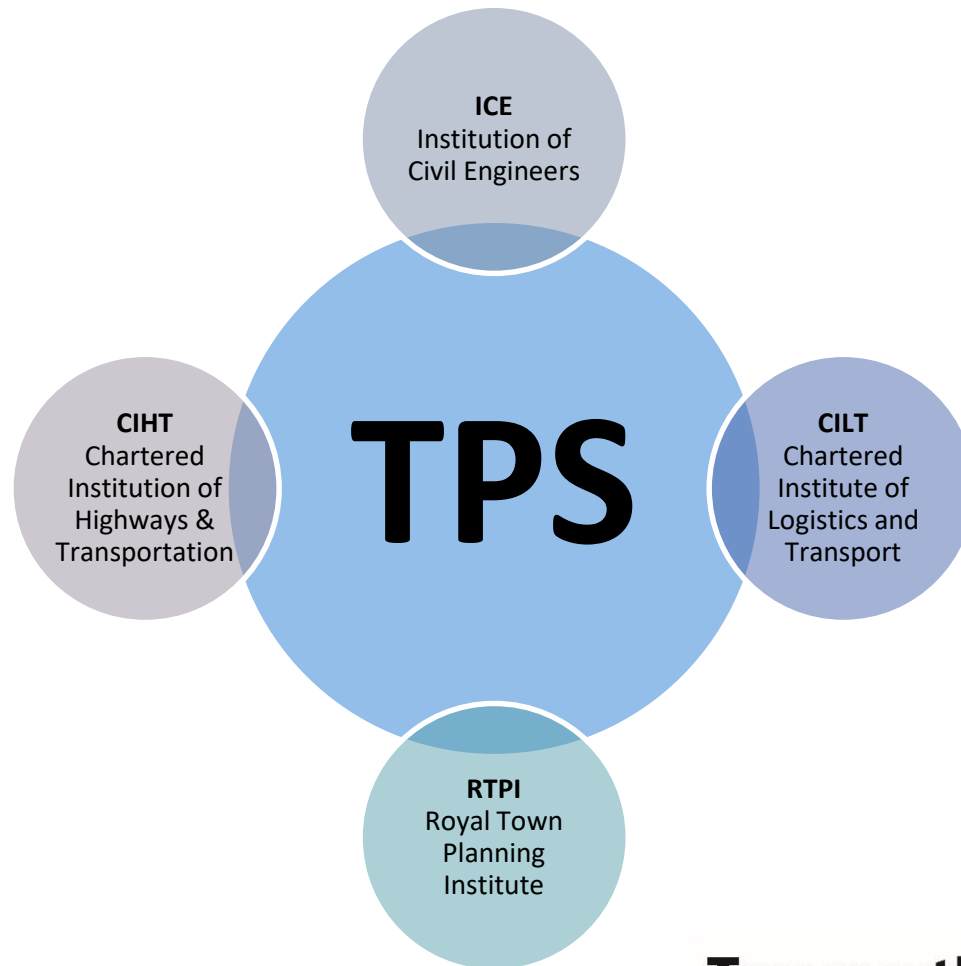
Economy



Transport planning: a vital role

- **Leading a sustainable recovery** on the right trajectory for decarbonisation of the transport system
- **Delivering investment in transport infrastructure** to stimulate the recovery
- **Applying our traditional skills** of major scheme development, transport modelling, assessment and appraisal, and street design and planning for local transport
- **Developing new skills** in data analytics, carbon assessment, engaging with local communities, and collaborating with other sectors
- Being **outcome-led** - meeting net zero targets and demonstrating the benefits of a healthier and more sustainable transport network

TPS in the UK: A professional body dedicated to transport planning



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Our mission

A society to facilitate, develop and promote best practice in transport planning and provide a focus for dialogue between all those engaged in it, whatever their background or other professional affiliation

Our membership

Over 1500
members

Engineers,
planners,
modellers,
economists,
designers, ...



12 regions
& nations

Local authorities,
combined
authorities, big
firms, small
businesses, ...

Supporting professional development

Careers



Professional Development



TPP - qualification



Degrees



Training



Providers



Course information



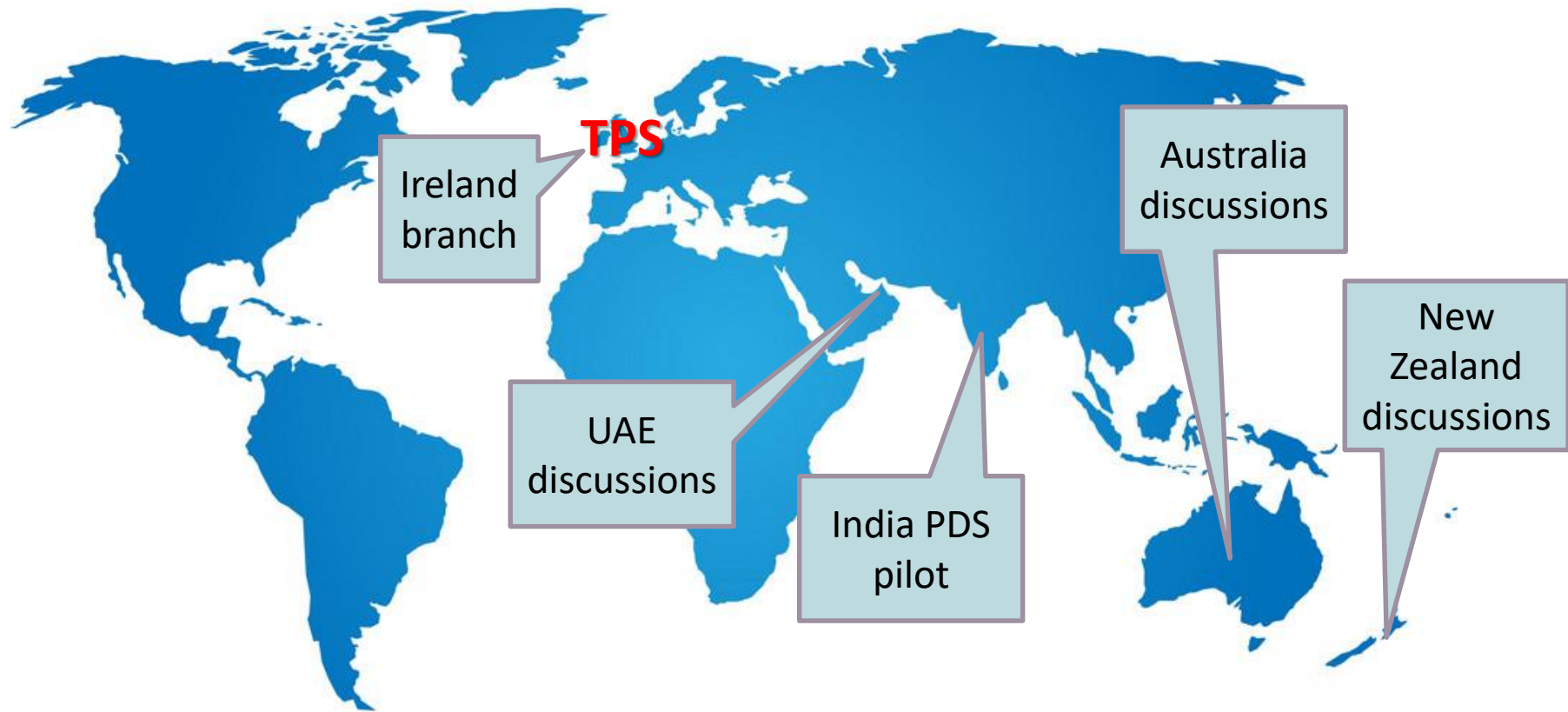
Other activities



The role and value of TPS

- Provide a **voice and a home** for the transport planning profession
- Maintain **quality standards** in the profession
- Provide **forum for debate and networking**
- **Engage with other sectors** to support and challenge

Going global...



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What's the experience in the rest of Europe and how can we work together to promote transport planning as a profession?

Thank you

The screenshot shows the Transport Planning Society website. At the top, there is a navigation bar with links for News, Events, TP Day 2019, Skills, Jobs, Policy, The Society, Regions & Nations, and Membership. A search bar is located on the right. The main content area features a 'Current vacancies' section with a 'More...' button, a 'Latest news stories' section with several article thumbnails, and a 'Mentor Tips' section with a 'Go to our Monthly Mentor Tips Here' link. There are also 'Events' and 'Latest vacancies' sections at the bottom.

The screenshot shows the LinkedIn profile page for the Transport Planning Society. The header features the TPS logo and the LinkedIn logo. Below the header, the profile information is displayed: 'Transport Planning Society · 1st Board Member at Transport Planning Society, London, United Kingdom · See 111 connections · See contact info'. There are 'Message' and 'More...' buttons.

The screenshot shows the Twitter profile page for the Transport Planning Society (@TransportPlanSoc). The header includes the TPS logo and the Twitter logo. Below the header, the profile information is displayed: 'TransportPlanSoc · Tweets · 456 · Following · 89 · Followers · 2,374 · Likes · 193'. There are 'Tweets', 'Tweets & replies', and 'Media' tabs. A tweet is visible, mentioning 'TOP THE FEET!' and 'Transport Planning Day'. There is also a 'Who to follow' section with suggestions for other accounts.

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