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Deputy Mayor Municipality of Koper





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A historic, geographic and regional crossroad

Koper is located in the North Adriatic, a junction of Slavic, Latin and Mediterranean cultures.

As such it was always **interconnected historically and geographically** with Central and Eastern Europe

Koper in numbers	
Population	53.563 (july 2023)
Surface	303,4 km²
Altitude	0 to 1028 m
Average age	44,3 years
Average income	1.228€
Length of coastline	8 km
Climate	Sub-Mediterranean
Average temp.	min. 7,2°C max. 29,4°C
Duration of sunny days	+ 2300 hours/year
Number of enterprises	6.903



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Sustainable transport and challenges at local level

- Koper, globally a small city but the 4th biggest in Slovenia and the only City with the Port.
- Challenge of logistics and transport of goods
- Once an industrial city



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- Turning degraded areas into public space for people
- Re-designing of the coastal area (urban parks, sports facilities)
- Re-construction of the coastal road, once the only road connecting Koper and Izola

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EU funds for the enhanced mobility to the St. Mark Hill:

- mobile connection between the coastal area and St. Mark Hill
- New areas for bicycle and pedestrian traffic
- Link between the coastal area and the city centre

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- Promotion of a more intensive internal connection in the city
- Improvement of accessibility for functionally disabled people
- Reduction of motorised traffic





