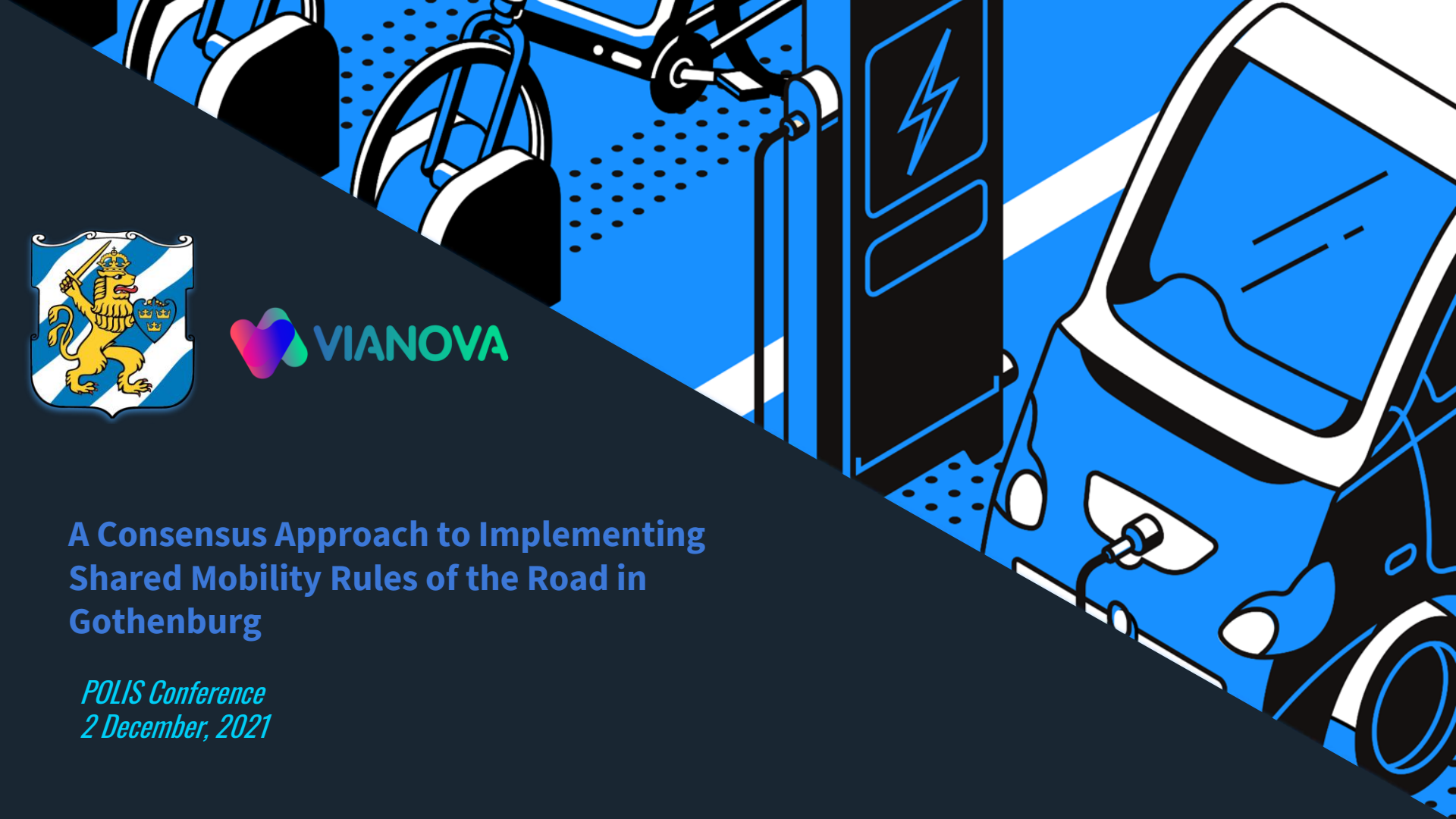




## A Consensus Approach to Implementing Shared Mobility Rules of the Road in Gothenburg

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# History of the Project





- Electric scooters introduced in Gothenburg in 2018
- The quick growth of the market brought with it a number of challenges
- Increasing need to understand, regulate and monitor compliance for this new mode of transport
- Development project financed by Sweden's innovation agency VINNOVA
- Cooperation between the city of Gothenburg, Voi and Vianova

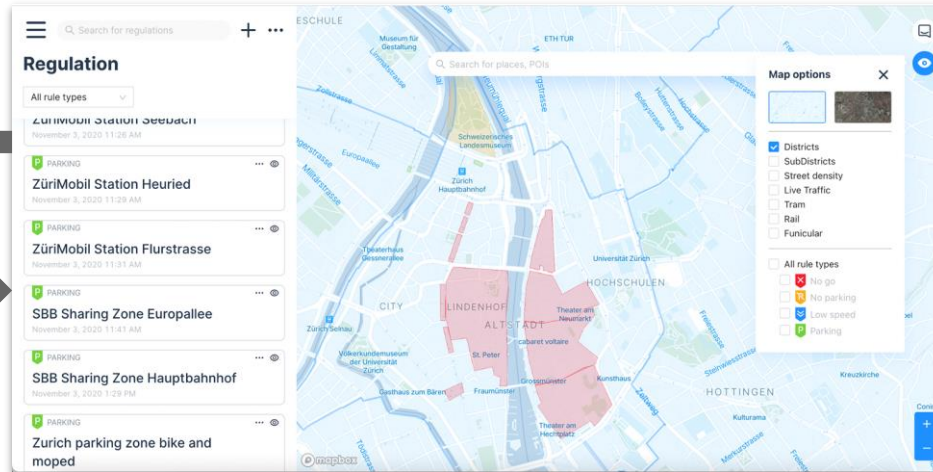


# The Cityscope Platform and Data Exchange

## Connected fleets

*(Produce data, consume regulations)*





-  Micro-mobility
-  Carpooling
-  Mobility on-demand
-  Delivery



The screenshot displays the Cityscope Platform interface. On the left, a 'Regulation' panel lists several rules, including 'ZüriMobil Station Zersaich', 'ZüriMobil Station Heuried', 'ZüriMobil Station Flurstrasse', 'SBB Sharing Zone Europallee', 'SBB Sharing Zone Hauptbahnhof', and 'Zurich parking zone bike and moped'. The main area shows a map of Zurich with various districts highlighted in red, such as 'LINDENHOF', 'ALTSTADT', and 'HOTTINGEN'. A 'Map options' panel on the right allows users to filter the map by 'Districts', 'SubDistricts', 'Street density', 'Live Traffic', 'Tram', 'Rail', and 'Funicular'. It also includes 'All rule types' with options for 'No go', 'No parking', 'Low speed', and 'Parking'.

## Cities & third parties

*(Produce regulations, consume data)*

-  Cities & gvnt
-  Consultants
-  Infrastructure managers
-  Public transport

# Data Formats Ingested in Cityscope

## GBFS

### Real-time availability of devices

A useful format for Mobility-as-a-Service uses, GBFS is a read-only dataset designed to be open data

- Device location
- Availability for rental

## MDS

### Bi-directional sharing of status changes and regulations

A new format providing real-time and historic information based on the status and location of a device at any given point in time.

- Device location
- Status ("rented", "unavailable", "reserved", etc)
- Regulatory geofences known as "policies"

# Limitations of the Data

## GBFS + MDS WILL

- Provide accurate information about trips, fleet sizes, and routes (if provided)
- Enable automatic monitoring of certain regulations
- Allow for comparisons to other datasets (transit, land use, etc.)
- Allow for easy comparisons to other cities and be non-proprietary

## GBFS + MDS WILL NOT

- Provide personally identifiable information (both good and bad)
- Have down-to-the-meter accuracy
- Have down-to-the-second latency
- Be entirely free of data quality and mapping issues

# As Needs Become More Complex, Getting It Right Matters More

## Data to Understand

How many vehicles?

Where are they going?

Where are they parking most often?

## Data to Plan

Where should we add mobility hubs?

How do we improve cyclepaths?

## Data to Manage

How many devices are violating policies?

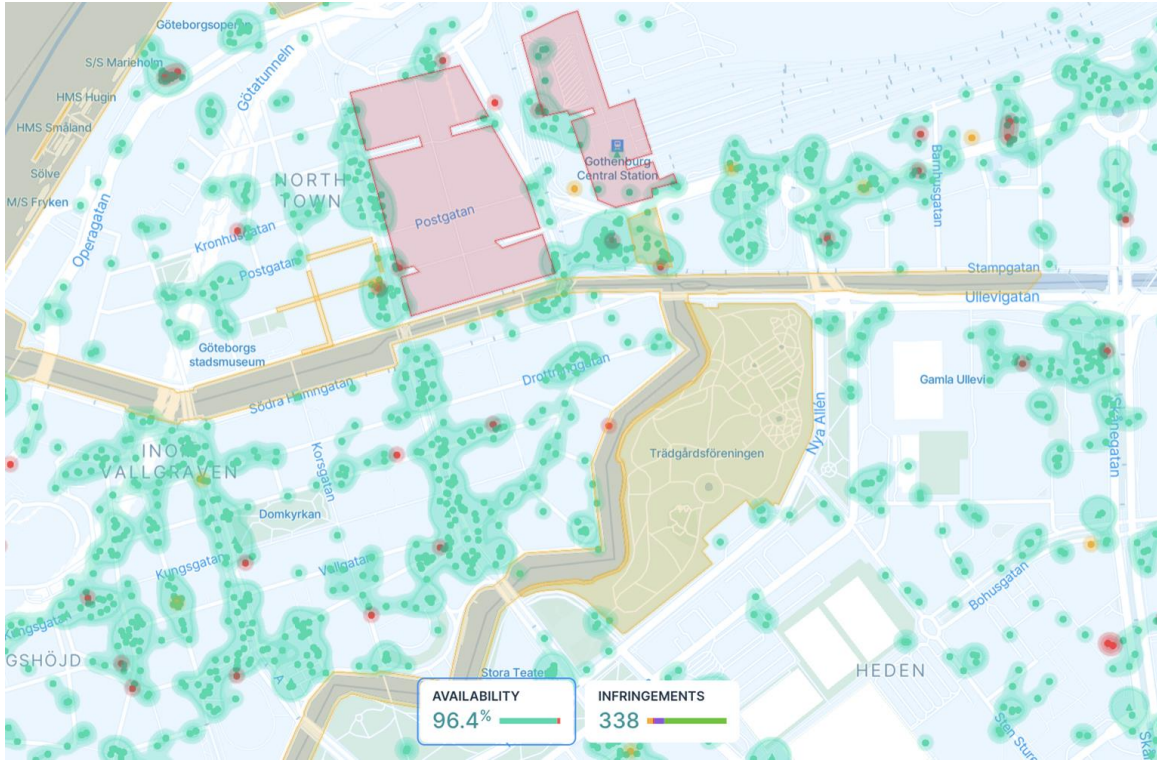
Which operators are performing best?

## Data to Integrate

How do we support multi-modal journeys?

How does shared mobility contribute to decarbonization targets?

# The View From Gothenburg



## Permanent Policies

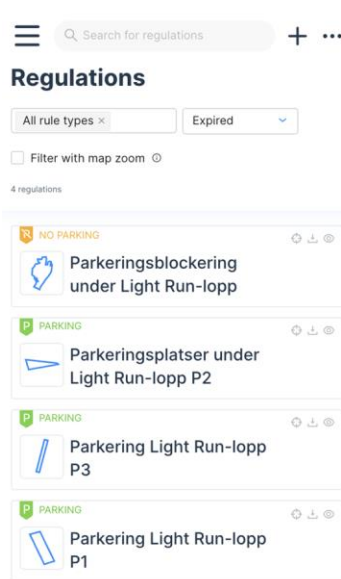
- 7 Low speed zones
- 17 No Parking Zones
- 2 No-Go Zones
- Restrictions on Maximum Parked Time and Maximum Unavailable Time Consistent with Swedish Law

## Dynamic Geofences- Special events

2 types of policies- articulated in the permit vs added by request

# Where the Data Works Well

- Geofenced Regulations are effectively communicated to operators
- Quick-turnaround times for temporary events
- No parking violations are remaining low (but low parking districts are relatively small)
- Schrodinger's Regulations: Monitoring KPIs encourages the operators to perform better





# Limitations Playing Out in Gothenburg

- Different vehicles with different capabilities lead to variation in the accuracy of the data
- Operations teams are not data scientists- there is a knowledge gap on data specifications
- Time intensive to validate and verify data
- Speed rules are easy to communicate, hard to validate
- Not very helpful in addressing the three main complaint areas:
  - improper parking (in valid parking areas)
  - Tilted devices
  - Reckless riders



# Where do we go from here?

- Is “a regulated partnership” possible? Yes, but it requires:
  - A trust in data, but physical verification
  - A better understanding of operations and processes from companies
  - A willingness from companies to continue to invest in better hardware and better data
  - A little regulation isn't a bad thing

