Introducing Sweden’s new-ish national public transport research and knowledge centre K2

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Problems

Public transport (PT) research in Sweden was/is:

- Compartmentalised/fragmented
- Not well disseminated to industry
- Not published internationally
- Not coupled to teaching/further education
- Low level of "knowledge/competence" in PT industry
Initiative
Vision

Through research and training to make public transport a core part of sustainable urban development in Sweden to 2050 and beyond

Contribute to PT doubling target
The centre (started 2013)

Based in Lund in Skåne, but a national organisation

Training, dissemination, research
Some of our ongoing research

How to better integrate land use and public transport planning

Better cooperation processes for better public transport

Evaluations, follower research for new PT investments

New techniques – dynamic bus lanes

Regulatory instruments for better PT

Good – but still a bit fragmented!
Challenges for K2

Coordinating public transport research across the country

Striking balance between:
- Long term and short term research questions
- Research vs training/education
- Needs/aspirations of 6 different financiers

Setting up a new multi-partner organisation

Properly involving the industry using relevant language

Doing all this with limited resources in first two years (but lots from 2015 onwards)
Explain a bit about K2 and what it's done so far

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Find out what you think about K2

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