# creating a mobility service for Milan through design for behavior change

dotmilano

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## abstract

Cities are risking too much pressure on their transportation infrastructure with the constant growth of travel demands. Urban mobility is undergoing changes trying to reduce using resources and improve the sustainability of its systems. As a consequence, multimodal travels and short term levers like walking and biking became inevitable to ensure efficiency and reaching public and shared transportations.

The goal of this thesis is to encourage the usership of public/shared transportation and reduce ownership of private vehicles by fostering walking as a transportation mode to relieve other modes and make cities more livable.

Starting off, I carried out an initial desk research identifying some current global trends in the mobility sector. Following, I conducted a field research focusing on Milan in order to understand the target travelers, their mobility behavior state, pain points, needs, and motivations. Soon after, I organized an ideation workshop adopting a behavior progression framework to design a mobility solution with sustained behavior changes.

The final outcome is "dotMilano" a platform for travelers allowing a more personalized door to door experience where users can pre-plan a travel while utilizing the first and last mile in order to be more active and transform them into high points in the experience. Moreover, the platform connects active members allowing them to share their travels making the city more walkable.

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# 00 Introduction

This section is an overview of the thesis methodology with the research questions and main objectives.

## methodology

For this thesis I followed as a base the **Double Diamond model (Design Council, 2018)**, with the four stages: Discover, Define, Develop and Deliver. I adapted the steps and applied them into my chapters.



### research questions

What are the mobility current market solutions and trends?

What is the current mobility context when it comes to Milan city?

What are the needs of city travelers? And are these needs satisfied at the moment?

## thesis objectives

Identify travelers pain points and understand possible intervention scenarios.

Adopt behavior design framework and apply it into service design.

Create a mobility service for the city of Milan.



# 01 Discover

This section is an open blue sky research in order to provide a mobility overview and some opportunities guidelines:

What is mobility, its ecosystem and what are the current market innovative solutions and future prospects.

Benchmark of the competitive environment and identification of global trends from the gathered desk research.

# mobility overview mobility evolution

Mobility is defined by the number of collective trips made in a city per day by the inhabitants of a city, as well as by the methods and modes used and characteristics of these travels (such as length and time spent in trip)

Through time mobility witnessed changes in the ways and purposes of user travels and is currently undergoing more transformations

As travelers, we went from traveling with railways and fixed public transport in the 19th century to using private vehicles in the 20th century. Initially, these private vehicles brought efficiency and improvement in terms of transportation up until vehicle ownership increased causing a decrease in it's efficiency for travelers. With more vehicles on the streets this solution became a problem for cities. Consequently, it created a need to change how transportation is planned and operated in cities. Later on, with the arrival of the digitalization phenomena in the 21st

century began a new digital area where travelers gained easy access to information allowing transportation services to become more user friendly.

Todays travels are more than just rail, roads and vehicles. We are moving from an ownership mentality towards a usership mentality. Travels went from being rigid from station to station with no real-time guidance to then try to cover a more door to door travel with multimodal offering, real-time information and guidance.

City dwellers are looking for services that are efficient, accessible and convenient that can replace the privately owned vehicle but still with the same efficiency and convenience with customized solutions and range of options.

## mobility challenges

Cities in general are facing a lot of challenges impacting their infrastructure, efficiency, quality of life and well being for its future population. Some of the main challenges confronted by cities are urbanization, globalization, climate changes, scare resources and social changes.

Urban mobility is becoming on of the main issues to be tackled by cities. According to the European Commission (2017), Urban mobility is responsible for 40% of all CO2 emissions of road transport, and up to 70% of other pollutants of transport. Simultaneously, the number of citizens living in urban areas and sharing the same infrastructures is continuously increasing. Congestion and pollution are critical problems in contemporary cities

### This high demand on the transportation infrastructure puts more and more pressure on the systems leading in a near future to:

Growth of travel demands causing more and more traffic congestion with a rise in general travel time.

Increase in multimodal travels for a sustainable mobility and more efficiency for reaching public transportations with emerging alternative offers for the personal vehicle.

Need for using some short term levers like walking and cycling to relieve transport networks.

Aggravated health situation with the urgency to improve the air quality by trying to reduce polluting modes of travel.

### Likewise, mobility providers are facing many difficulties in their offering such as:

Providing seamless mobility offerings starting from information connections, ticketing, payment

Suppling a door to door travel by trying to cover the gap between transportation modes to initial and final destinations

Creating customized offering because not one size fits all.

Bottom-up emerging approach vs. top-down

Dealing with multi-providers in multimodal travels can reduce in the consistency and continuity of the offering.

Competitive environment with new bottom up emerging offerings.

Alone, public transportation can't meet the needs of all citizens as it operates as a fixed-route system, with stops at specific locations to maximize its efficiency. As a consequence to this we face the First/Last Mile problem. The term describes travelers travel in the context of getting to/from a transportation mode. The walking distance from this transportation mode in order to reach the transportation chosen or reach a final destination is considered problematic when it is longer than a comfortable distance.

The emergence of shared Mobility offerings was a potential alternative solution to solve this problem, reducing private vehicle ownership and hence the number of vehicles on the streets and pollution rates.

Trying to integrate multiple transportation modes to the mobility offering through multimodal connections might lead to the desired sustainable changes.

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## mobility ecosystem

I mapped out the mobility ecosystem with its different actors having the traveler at the heart. The system evolved from having 2 main competing actors (automotive industry and public sector) to becoming complex with many competitors and different business models (sharing services, mobility operators, mobility services). Furthermore, currently with the need for smart solutions we also witness connectivity provider and tech provider as new involved actors.



## mobility smart solutions

Smart mobility solutions aim at creating sustainable mobility in cities by reducing congestion and fostering faster, greener and cheaper transportation options.

The most common and known solution in the market range covers from optimizing current transportation systems to creating new ones like :

Electric emission free vehicles (e-motorcycle, e-car...)

New services (bike sharing, motorcycle sharing...)

New public use vehicles (cable car, autonomous vehicles...)

Smart mobility solutions incorporate ICTs in order to provide innovative product services and systems to increase efficiency. These smart solution allows the transition from traditional transportation systems into smart mobility systems. Some of the new innovative examples relying on this exchange of data are:

### smart parking

Optimizing the use of parking spaces where sensors collect real time data about available parking spaces reducing time of driving around looking for a spot. At the same time, in case of no available space it can recommend other travel plans like delaying your journey or using different transportation mode.

### p2p ride services

Optimise the uses of privately owned cars, where individuals have the possibility to rent out their car or sell rides for other peers. The most famous examples are BlaBla Car and Uber . These solutions are customer friendly from the point of view convenience and leads to reducing traffic congestion

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### personalized travel info

Through IoT travellers can be provided with real time personalised data. Travelling apps can calculate fastest route according to the current time and location while taking into consideration many other factors like delays in public transportation, traffic congestion, walking time to be able to recommend a more smooth journey

### smart traffic control

Optimizing traffic flows through real time data with a system of information flow between vehicles and sensors in the infrastructures. These systems can be beneficial when it comes also to emergency services.

### adaptive connected cars

Cars are getting smarter with systems that provides more safety and convenience. Already we find in the markets cars with some automated actions like self parking. In a near future vehicles will be able to connect between each other and exchange information insuring a safer journey and optimizing their behavior.

### shared self driving cars

The use of self driving vehicles with shared economy can lead to reducing the numbers of privately owned cars and parking spots in the street.

Residents subscribe to transportation services instead of owning private vehicles.

## case studies

case study 1





link: https://itunes.apple.com/us/app/whim-travel-smarter/id1110962965?mt=

### Whim, covering all kinds of travels

### Finland (2018)

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Whim is a successful mobility as a service (MaaS) example. The platform offers its subscribers multi-modal transportation allowing to plan and pay for a journey while easily switching between vehicles and transportation modes.

Whim offers as a service offers its users depending on their need different payment plans: pay as you go, monthly and unlimited options while advising on the best routes and handling all tickets and payments.

The company hopes to encourage commuters not to use their private vehicle by simplifying the use of other transport options.

# didi chuxing



link: http://www.xiaojukeji.com/en/taxi.html

# Ride sharing platform pilots traffic reduction program

China (2017)

Didi Chuxing offers several smart mobility services including taxi hailing, private car hailing, social ride-sharing, bike sharing and food delivery to users in China via a smartphone application.

The Chinese government authorities partnered with chinese-based ride sharing platform to reduce traffic congestion in May 2017.

In the pilot program (debuted in the city of Jinan), they used data from its drivers to power smart traffic lights in real-time and control the flow of traffic. Didi Chuxing was also able to predict traffic patterns and reduce road congestion by approximately 11%





link: http://urby-me.com/URBy-me/Welcome.html

# Application measuring commuter satisfaction levels in real time

Switzerland (2017)

Piloted on Lausanne's metro network, Urban Mobility by Me (UrbyMe for short) is an app that allows commuters to review their experience of public transport in real time.

After detecting the phone location , passengers are sent to answer some short questions like for example: "Are you comfortable?" or "Are you seated?". If a passenger replies in the negative, UrbyMe will send a followup question that helps the metro network to amend the service. UrbyMe was developed by researchers at the École Polytechnique Fédérale de Lausanne.





link: https://www.chariot.com/

# On-demand commuter bus service receives city approval

England (2018)

Chariot is a ride-sharing bus service for commuters, that started in London in January 2018.

Through an application riders can pre-book their seat on the bus, with the vehicle then picking them up at their preferred stop for a door to door travel.

The service is intended to complement current public transport by serving harder-to-access areas. Furthermore it targets fixing the struggle of last mile problems related to the logistic sector.





link: https://www.sfmta.com/

### Parking meter rates change based on demand

USA (2017)

The San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency(SFMTA) kicked off plans to implement demand-responsive pricing on 28,000 parking meters throughout the city.

Parking rates change based on a spot's location, whether it is a weekend or weekday, and the hour of the day.

Drivers can view real-time meter prices online, and the initiative's initial pilot of the project found that parking rates were reduced overall.

# uber & jump



link: https://www.uber.com/ride/uber-bike/

### Uber trials bike renting service

USA (2018)

The transportation network company Uber famous for it peer to peer car sharing system currently partnered with on-demand bicycle rental service Jump to enable San Francisco customers to rent e-bikes through both the Uber or Jump application.

Beginning in February 2018, the 18-month service trial has released 250 electric bikes in the city; this is the first time Uber has facilitated bike rentals. Once a ride is complete, customers can lock it up at any location.

The collaboration is interesting that it encourages multimodal travels while trying to make it as easy as possible for users.

# NY city council



link: http://web.mta.info/nyct/fare/rfindex.htm

# NY launches discounted metro cards for low income residents

USA (2018)

The Mayor of New York Bill de Blasio and City Councilor Corey Johnson agreed on funding for half-price MetroCards, available to lowincome residents.

Around USD 106 million was allocated from the city's budget, which will cover the scheme for six months. Over 800,000 New Yorkers are predicted to benefit from the initiative, which will begin in January 2019. The cards will be available to New York City residents who earn less than USD 12,000 per year, or USD 24,399 for a family of four.

The initiative is interesting as it is helps ensuring social cohesion. The use of public transport can bring people together by offering mobility to all.





link: https://www.bird.co

# Electric scooter membership plan for low income subscribers

USA (2018)

One Bird is a program for low-income individuals allowing them to ride electric scooters for a low fee. Created by scooter startup, Bird, the program operates across all markets where Bird is present, including Atlanta, Austin and Santa Monica.

Individuals enrolled in state assistance programs such as CalFresh or Medicaid can rent a scooter for 15 cents per minute – with no need to pay the USD 1 fee most riders pay to unlock the vehicle.

On top of that Bird offers its users the possibility to earn extra money by collecting the scooters charging them and returning them to the streets.

## government of Estonia



link: https://www.bettersa.org/

# Estonia becomes the first nation to offer free public transport

Estonia (2018)

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Following a public referendum, a system of free public transport is set to be introduced throughout Estonia during July 2018.

Trialled in the Estonian capital of Tallinn five years ago, residents need only register to access the free service – which is not available to tourists. State subsidies for bus, rail, and road will increase by a total of EUR 73 million.

By having free public transport, Estonia encourage all of its citizens to leave using private vehicles.





link: https://media.gm.com/media/us/en/gm/bcportal.html?pageNumber=56

# Automaker releases a new P2P car-sharing program

USA (2018)

General Motors is testing a peer-to-peer car sharing program in Detroit, Ann Arbor and Chicago.

Through the automaker's Maven mobile app, Peer Cars allows people who own a General Motors vehicle (from 2015 onwards) to lease it to other Maven users. Vehicle owners retain 60% of revenue from renting the car, with Maven taking 40%, with cars available to rent by the hour, day, week or month.

For an automotive company it is interesting to implement sharing models in their brand allowing their offering to be more flexible.





link: https://mogodetroit.org/adaptive-mogo/

# Bike sharing firm launches cycles for people with disabilities

USA (2018)

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Detroit-based bike sharing company MoGo launched a six-month pilot program of its adaptive cycles in May 2018.

Including a range of 13 different kinds of bicycle and tricycle, the program aims to cater to cyclists of all abilities. The offering tries to be as inclusive as possible. During the pilot, people can rent out the bikes from local shop Wheelhouse Detroit. MoGo offers 2 kind of membership a signle use or seasonal pass.





link: https://www.velometro.com/

### Pedal-assisted electric bikes look like cars

Canada (2018)

Following a pilot scheme at the University of British Columbia, Veemo a pedal-driven electric vehicle launched in Vancouver.

Classified as electric-assisted cycles and conforming to e-bike regulations; Veemo velo-mobiles are can use road or bike lanes and no driver's license is required. Enclosed by a light-weight composite body, with daytime and night-time lighting, indicators, and automatic smart control locks; a rooftop solar panel extends the vehicle's range by up to 20 km per day.

Veemo is one successful example of vehicle solving a last mile problem.

## open road project



link: https://openroad-project.com/en/testpilot/post\_3342/

# Exploring the future of mobility by building product service systems

Japan (2018)

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Open road project is lead by the automobile company Toyota in Tokyo to create a whole new system for urban dense cities. The Intelligent transportation system includes:

- i-Road: small personalized electric vehicle with a singular or double seat

- Smile lock outlet: utilizing private charging sockets and transforming them through IoT technology into outlets for sharing electricity

- Small Space Parking: utilizing all kind of small empty private / public spaces in the city and turning them into i-Road parking spots

- App for finding parking & outlets

## e-Palette, Toyota



link: https://newsroom.toyota.co.jp/en/corporate/20546438.html

# On-demand commuter bus service receives city approval

England (2018)

e-Palette is a modular and multipurpose completely autonomous electric vehicle space.

Toyota imagines a future scenario where travel time is no longer a driving time and customers can enjoy increased efficiency & productivity.

The 24/7 available vehicles are customisable and aim to serve as many purposes as possible like: ride sharing tool, mobile retail store, office, fablab and logistic.

The e-Palette launching partners include Uber, Amazon, DiDi Chuxing, and Pizza Hut where Toyota plans to pilot these vehicles during the 2020 Olympics.

## benchmark

To discover new areas of opportunity I placed the case studies into a positioning map, so that it would be possible to discover new areas of opportunity.

In order to build it, I defined two axes needed, choosing two couples of opposite values. The first polars were Individual use/ Shared use and the second were Inclusive/Exclusive.



The first polar was related to the purpose of use of the solution. Even if some vehicles are meant to be for public use from the case studies emerged individual and shared uses. While for the second polar is to distinguish inclusive and exclusive design

solution where some were targeting a more specific market and other were more for the whole society.



### emerging trends

From this first part of desk research conducted, case studies, and benchmarking I tried to construct some guidelines that could for the second phase be used to define some opportunities and have some inspiration to use later on. Therefor, I suggested some global emerging trends in the mobility sector that are:



### mobility as a service

MaaS mobility as a service aim at replacing personal vehicles with a door to door journey offering. MaaS combines different actors, transportation providers (public and private) under one platform allowing to easily book and manage travel while paying one single membership.



### multimodal travels

In an overcrowded and continuously expanding urban context multimodal travels will become necessary to guarantee door to door mobility. In addition multimodal travels helps traveler's to have a personalized, faster and more efficient journeys.

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#### real time information

Smart services with an ecosystem connected in real time where products (vehicles, sensors, street light, smart phone, parking...) through a network communicate and exchange data between each others.



#### dynamic pricing

Prices fluctuating based on different factors like time of day (rush or dead hours), road congestion, high demand and customer status.



#### automation

Automation of vehicles, processes & services time saving and providing more safety. For instance, autonomous vehicles can possibly maintain smooth traffic even with a reduced distance between them thus increasing road capacity.



# 02 Define

This section focuses on a contextual research in Milan: What is the current mobility context in the city?

Defining a design question in order to conduct a qualitative field and desk research focusing on travelers and their travel experiences.

Adopting behavior design into the process and applying all of the knowledge into creating related personas and scenarios.

## Milan context design questions

Taking into consideration the previously conducted research I tried to create a more defined design brief as a starting point for my Field Research Brainstorming from the all the previous desk research and framing the subject with some related design question that might be suitable for Milan and it's residents. The questions were a starting point of a more contextual research.

After the questions definitions I clustered them into 3 main areas of interests:

#### 1. Planning and checking travel information

How might we provide travelers with personalized journey informations that fits their needs?

<u>2. Identifying pain points and discomforts making travels unpleasant</u>

How might we help Milanese residents have a smoother door to door traveling experience?

### <u>3. Optimization of a travel / solving first and last mile</u> problems

How might we me make transitions in multimodal journeys easier for travelers?

## design brief

The 3 categories were too oriented into a very specific problems in a travel journey. So I tried to re-frame the design questions into a broader one that can cover all of the 3 categories in order to have a wider perspective on the problems and the general context.

In addition this will allow to conduct objective and not too oriented interviews as much as possible without trying to steer the travelers into my personal visions.

How might we encourage Milan residents to use public and shared transportation in a sustained manner?

### behavior design

*«* Service design as a practice results in the design of systems and processes aimed at providing a holistic service to the user. *»* (*Chi Pham*) By using a human centered approach, as service designers we can tackle difficult challenges and transform them into simple ones while empowering users.

Design for behavior change is an emerging new discipline focusing on creating the right context for individuals or groups in order to influence their decision making and ultimately their behavior. *"It draws on fields like Psychology, Sociology, and Behavioral Economics among others. Governments, social organizations and businesses are leveraging its potential."* Mahamuni R., Khambete P., Mokashi-Punekar R. (2018). Service design for behavioral change - current state of the discipline and practice in India. Linköping University Electronic Press.

"Service Design for Behavioral Change aims at refocusing the intent of any design intervention to the users' actual needs (stated or latent), facilitating a phase-wise transition to an improved behavior through planned design interventions, irrespective of its medium. To understand the needs and desires of the involved stakeholders, being empathetic to stakeholders is one of the prime tools that the design community vests on to generate meaningful insights." Mahamuni, R., Khambete, P., Mokashi-Punekar, R. (2018). Behavior Progression Framework for Designing Sustained Behavior Change. Tata Research Development and Design Center, Tata Consultancy Services, Indian Institute of Technology Guwahati, India.

Starting the field research of my thesis, I decided to adopt a behavior design approach. While creating a service for the mobility sector I could benefit from introducing design for behavior change. Applying behavior design can allow me to understand my targets behavior states towards mobility and transportation modes, deducted meaningful insights that can allow me to stop or encourage some behavior stages to meet social challenges. I used the **Behavior Progression framework** proposed by **Ravi Mahamuni** for his Ph.D. **Craft for Change**. This Behavior Progression framework was created to design services and interventions for sustained behavior changes:

It consists of an empathy square and a behavior change design intervention model that takes into consideration not only the Service user but also incorporates multiple stakeholders that are Society & environment, Service organization and Human Touchpoints making sure that the design intervention does not influence negatively any of them.

#### **Behavior Progression framework:**

#### **Design Interventions in light of Empathy Square**



#### **Behaviour Change Design Intervention Model**



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## target

The target definition was related to many factors. First I needed city dwellers who are workers and had been in the city for a long time so they know the city by heart, have experienced all kind of transportations and can provide me with the most insights possible. On another hand, the choice of the age range and status was related to the interviews that I managed to have in such time frame.

#### Target definition

Milan Residents who have been living in the city for 5 or more years

<u>Age Range</u>	<u>Status</u>
25 - 45	Single

When conducting the interviews I made sure that the samples were as diverse as possible to cover all the targeted population and represent it as much as possible

	Age Range	Gender	Profession
Interview 1	31	Μ	Fixed Job
Interview 2	28	Μ	Fixed Job
Interview 3	27	F	Fixed Job with a lot of outside of the city travel
Interview 4	25	Μ	Freelancer with a short term fixed jobs
Interview 5	35	Μ	Editor for an online magazine - Freelancer recently started a fixed job
Interview 6	33	F	Illustrator - Work from home
Interview 7	38	Μ	Part Time in the weekday Night job in the weekend

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### travelers interviews

I conducted 7 travelers interviews with single residents living for a minimum of 5 years in Milan.

The interviews were semi structured where the common questions were asked were about:

- General Information
- Resources available
- Transportation modes used
- Frequency & purpose of use
- Positive & negative traveling experiences
- Challenges & constraints when it comes to traveling and commuting

**Objectives** 

Understand the high and low points of travelers when it comes to their travel experience.

Deduct the factors for a good and bad travel experience and the reason why behind it.

Travelers attitude: their behavior state and in whatstagetheyarewhenitcomestotransportation modes and travel planners.

### travelers behavior stage

I mapped out the behavior stages of the travelers from the interviews conducted using the behavior stage map created by Ravi Mahamuni for his PhD project titled Craft for Change.

Mapping behavior stages of interviewees helps in understanding where they stand towards every product/service whether they already submit sustained behaviors or not and allows me to create a better view of where to intervene towards a behavior change.



#### Travel planners (atm, google maps...)

#### Public transport



#### <u>Car sharing</u>



#### <u>Bike sharing</u>



#### Taxi and travel network companies



### travelers verbatim

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Italians are not used to using bikes because they consider it for the poor people and if you are successful you use your own car.

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#### "

I sometimes take the shared bike but since I already paid for atm even paying as low as 50 is not needed.

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#### "

I would never take a 90 Bus in the night! Instead | usually take a taxi even if I had to pay a lot. I wish the metro would work non stop on a Saturday like in other big cities.

" Even if I get my driving license, I won't buy a car because its too much maintenance and parking is impossible in Milano. "

In all cities that i visited it was possible to buy a ticket on the bus and in every bus tram or whatever there was someone that controls buying the ticket.

I don't understand why here we don't have this! "

66 I check travel planners when I need to travel to a place I don't know. But, since they're so convenient I tend to check back for routes Valready know sometimes.

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### interviews insights

#### **Public transportation**



Money is not an issue: When it comes to public transportation price everyone agreed that it is affordable and most of the residents tend to have and pay their monthly subscriptions.

Travelers find that upper-ground public transport is not successful when it comes to time & flow management.

Temperature and noise are a big discomfort.



#### Shared transportation

Last mile problems: finding a parking spot, parking, having to walk back to the final destination, spending extra money in a shared service.

Lack of guidance while using the shared car (misconception about traffic limitation and area C when it comes to using shared services).

No efficient infrastructure.



Using travel planners is an internalized behavior when it comes to the targets but each one uses it for a different purpose and moment throughout the journey.

Information provided by travel planners usually leave out the last mile making traveler's choose an travel mode without being fully informed.

Frustrating travel planner delay notification.

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#### **Government** action



Citizens feel disconnected from the government & it's actions even if the government has some initiative they don't feel engaged.

According to interviewers they feel that the government doesn't have an efficient punishment system.



#### Social engagement

Low points

Even if it doesn't change anything the majority put that having a controllers inside of a public transportation can be a factor for a good experience for them.

Italian interviewers blamed other Italians for having traffic and congestion in the city.

Lack of sense of belonging and community.



Safety is an issue especially when it comes to night shifts.

Waiting for a delayed transportation mode can be the biggest disappointment.

High demand hours are the most frustrating.

## personas

From the previous qualitative research, to better highlight sociocultural aspects, I chose to develop 3 extreme personas that focuses on different needs, challenges and exhibit distinctive behavior patterns towards mobility in the city.



#### **Active Andy**

Age: 25 Work: Freelance Creative

#### "

Moving around in a car during the day is way too slow to make sense for short d istances. I n many occasions during rush hours while using my bike I was faster than the cars.

#### <u>Bio</u>

Andy o wns a private bike and likes to go a round the city with it. He is a Freelancer mostly working from home so he doesn't have a monthly public transportation subscription and is a pay as you go traveler. He usually uses public/shared transportation for long distance trips.

#### #Occasional public transportation User #Sustainable lifestyle #Biker

#### <u>Needs</u>

Arrive to his destination with the most dynamic way and with minimal waiting Understand where he is and where he has to go using his bike Bring his bike inside of public transportation

#### Travel modes



daily



often



#### **Frustrations**

**Frequency:** 

No bike personlized information when it comes to routes No bike infrastructure Can't buy ticket on the bus No punctual transporatation

#### Motivation to choose a modet



#### **Behavioural Stage**



Private Bike Internalized behavior



Bike Sharing Familiar (Performed Once)



Private Car Unengaged stage



Car Sharing **Ready to perform** 



Taxis Unengaged stage



Public Transportation **Familiar behavior** 



Travel Planner Internalized behavior

#### **Preferred Channels**

ATM Google Maps Online & Social Media Other : Moovit



#### Succesful Stefano

**Age:** 45 **Work:** Business Executive

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I see the future with innovative private vehicles.

#### <u>Bio</u>

Stefanois a successful business man. Heowns a private cart hat uses frequently and for him his car is a sign of his social status and achievements. His travel choices are oriented towards his convenience and what would make him feel more comfortable.

**#Status Seeker** 

#### #Comfort

#### #In Charge

#### **Needs**

Personal comfort Easily find parking spots Be in control of his travels More efficient car sharing services

#### **Travel Modes**



Frequency:





barely



rarely

#### **Frustrations**

Compromising his comfort by using a public transportation: too crowded, bad temperature, waiting times Sceptical about car sharing services in terms of environmentally friendly

#### Motivation to choose a mode



#### **Behavioral Stage**



Private Bike Unengaged stage



Bike Sharing Unengaged stage



Private Car Internalized behavior



Car Sharing **Ready to perform** 



Taxis Familiar behavior



Public Transportation Familiar behavior



Travel Planner Internalized behavior

#### **Preferred Channels**

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## Puzzled Paola

Age: 30 Work: HR

If you do something wrong you don't get punished and you don't necessarily have a fine.

#### <u>Bio</u>

Paola uses all kind of transportations. She is now looking for her options to buy a personal car. Her main difficulties are during the night where she doesn't feel safe in public transportations. Instead she usually takes a shared transportation but a lot of times doesn't find any and has to take a taxi that is pretty expensive.

**#Time vs. Money** 

#### #Looking for options #Open to change

#### <u>Needs</u>

Conduct an activity in the commute Punctual and reliable public transport Cares about Money/Time relationship Controlled public transportation Backup transportation plan Clear route information

#### Travel Modes







Frequency:

daily

barely

barely

#### **Frustrations**

Frequent service with short waiting time Exterior factors that slow down public transportation Not being able to pre-plan accurate trips to choose the most convenient mode No continuity when it comes to some upper-ground transportation Changing too many transportation modes No guarantee to to have a shared car on the way back

#### Motivation to choose a mode



#### **Behavioral Stage**



Private Bike Unengaged stage



Bike Sharing Familiar behavior



Private Car **Ready to perform** 



Car Sharing Familiar behavior



Taxis Familiar behavior



Public Transportation Internalized behavior



Travel Planner Internalized behavior

#### **Preferred Channels**

ATM Google Maps Online & Social Media Other : Moovit

## scenarios

I exploited the knowledge accumulated into developing 3 design scenarios. The 3 scenarios aimed at creating 3 different directions to design new product/services related to mobility in Milan. Instead of creating future scenarios I chose to have ones related to our current context presenting different alternative worlds and possible

directions while considering possible turning and critical points.

#### when?

Pre-planning a trip

#### where?

At home

#### why?

compare different options and be able to take an informed decision

Choose the most convenient route and modes

#### how?

Give more choices with detailed information (price, time, interest) with first and last mile estimations



scenario 1

## planning a travel









Succesful Stefano

#### when?

Rush hour, while commuting

#### where?

Transition moment in a multimodal travel

#### why?

With a strict time arrival

Long trip with a need to switch between different transportation modes

#### how?

Offer clear and simple information with a real time update for back up solutions



#### scenario 2

## multimodal travel







#### when?

Late in the night

#### where?

On the street close to a public bus stop

#### why?

Don't want to wait too long: Feels unsafe

Wants an affordable mode and Prefers not to take a taxi

Not sure of the frequency of the public transportation and availability of other modes

#### how?

Overcome obstacles, as smog, bad weather and feeling of unsafe



#### scenario 3

## night mode







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# 03 Ideate

This section is about the ideation workshop. Applying behavior design tools in the ideation session for creating a mobility service for travelers in Milan city. Preparing materials and tools to be used with an overview of the workshop and its outputs. Detailing 3 service ideas.

### workshop timeline



How might we?

**Field Research** 

User Interview Users Behavioural state Users Highlights

Personas

**Scenarios** 

**Emerging Trends** 

Milan Context Cards



#### Design Ideation Canvas



<u>1st ideation:</u> Engage Shared Transportation







2nd ideation: Increase Existing Behaviour Public Transportation









### workshop agenda

The workshop was facilitated by Ravi Mahamuni as he was the creator of the canvases used. His presence was helpful in terms of guiding us how to use them, suggesting what cards to use to ignite more ideas or understand what are challenges in the ideas generated. Ravi created these tools for his PhD project titled Craft Change and we decided to use it in my thesis project as a test bed for these new tools.

My role in the workshop was the lead service designer launching the topic, presenting my design brief, research & insights to kick of the ideation. We were 4 designers to participate of which 3 service designers and 1 product designer.

We were able to conduct 2 ideation sessions one focusing on shared transportation and the other on public transportation to later on cluster and detail some ideas.

In total we were able to generate 31 idea clusters and develop 3 detailed ideas.



## 1st ideation: shared transportation



Persona: Active Andy

Scenario: Multimodal travel

**Tools used:** Design ideation canvas

Idea interlink canvas

#### 4 Idea Clusters:

.Friend Package .Attach personal vehicles .Encouragement for engagement .Tracking and saving bike friendly roads

Only for this first ideation focusing on shared transportation we used the design ideation canvas while for the second ideation focusing on public transportation we instantly decided only to use the second canvas the idea interlink canvas. The decision was both related to time constraint and that we felt that the second was more appropriate to the topic and the objectives of the ideation workshop.



1st ideation : shared transportation

## design ideation canvas



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#### 1st ideation : shared transportation

## idea interlink canvas



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## 2nd ideation: public transportation



Persona:Puzzled PaolaScenario:Multimodal travelTools used:Design ideation canvas

Idea interlink canvas

#### 4 Idea Clusters:

.Friend Package .Attach personal vehicles .Encouragement for engagement .Tracking and saving bike friendly roads

After getting accustomed to the tools and deciding only to use the idea interlink canvas this second ideation went so much faster in terms of generating more ideas and clustering them. It also allowed us to reflect on the first ideation and add more ideas to it.





#### 2nd ideation : public transportation

# idea interlink canvas



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#### 03 ideate | 2nd ideation | idea interlink canvas

## cards

Other than the 3 canvases we also used in the workshop 4 set of cards each serving a different purpose and used in a different moment.

## 1. context cards

The context cards were meant to be used through all the ideation session and especially in the beginning with topic introduction. Following some general context cards created by Ravi, I prepared these cards prior to the workshop in order to help us understand what is currently present in Milan from services to initiatives related to mobility.

## 2. ignite cards

Set of 2 ignite cards to be used when stuck in the brainstorming phase. These cards helped in generating more ideas by referencing and inspiring from to other behavior examples.

## 3. challenge cards

These 9 cards were meant to be used after clustering post-its and creating a preliminary set of ideas. They are purposed to understand the challenges behind every idea related to different stakeholder.

## 4. refinement cards

Refinement cards were used in the idea detailing and later on with users for validating my service concept. They help understand the gaps present in an idea and what needs to be refined.



# Milan context cards

Using the **Current Context Cards** created by **Ravi Mahamuni** for his Ph.D. project **Craft Change**, I created Context Cards specific for the city of Milan to be used in the ideation workshop.





1st idea



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#### **IDEA DETAILING CANVAS**



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2nd idea



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#### **IDEA DETAILING CANVAS**

Briefly describe the Idea ProBike is an upgrade for the existing shared bike that offers free rides with real time changing itinerary, for expert bikers in exchange of collecting generated road data. Unlike other shared bikes, the product maps out the city bike friendly roads.



3rd idea



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#### **IDEA DETAILING CANVAS**



## overall impressions

For the later phase, I decided to adopt the 1st idea "Last mile as a +" as I felt it was the most promising and has the potential to become an innovative service in the field of mobility.

The workshop lasted for about 5 hrs and I, later on, had to do a small 2 hrs session to develop the last 2 detailed ideas and fill in the blanks in the canvases. In general, it went well and we were able to develop and create some detailed ideas.

After these ideation sessions, I also created a small google questionnaire and attached with it a workshop recap presentation of the process and our outputs that I shared with the other participating designers to get some feedback from them about the session and the new tools used.

**Some thoughts about the tools adopted and used in the workshop:** Adopting behavior design methods and tools was suitable for my topic because creating new services is implying a change in users behavior.

The support was a great way to ideate and confront each other they created a context for a clear and focused brainstorming. However, taking the time to accommodate to use the tools was a bit long.

From a time constraint may be the tools needed to be introduced in a simplified way prior to the ideation to familiarize the other participants and not take time from the session.

The challenge and refinement cards allowed us as a group to select the clearest ideas that we also felt can be the easiest to be adopted by final users.

While for the ignite cards they were useful to generate more ideas but as a tool were a bit confusing especially with the subdivided categories. Having this many cards made it difficult to focus on the ideation and think about what is the appropriate card to link and apply into the topic.

#### About the canvases:

On a personal level, I am not so sure about how suitable for this ideation workshop was it to use the design ideation canvas as it tended to slow down the process. However, it was a good icebreaker for the starting to work on the topic and a way to introduce the participant into the tools.

It was interesting to look at one specific behavior stage but for first-time users, it was a bit constraining the brain into a particular moment. I particularly felt that the 1st canvas would be helpful to focus on a multi-actor situation where it can allow to think in an actor-centered way instead of only being human-centered.

Looking at the idea interlink canvas, the second canvas the brainstorming went so much faster and was more efficient as it tended to help to look at different behavior stages at the same time.

It was easy and allowed to create more ideas and link the same idea into different behavior stages to make it stronger.





# 04 Design

This section is about converging towards a design solution.

Elaborating and developing one service concept by using service design tools.

Planning and validating the key principles of the service promise.

## main service objectives

Milan is already undergoing changes to become cleaner and more sustainable in order to fight climate change and make the city more livable by taking a different kind of actions like for examples planting more trees by 2030.

Leveraging on the data instead of undergoing great infrastructure changes can also participate in promoting and encouraging city dwellers to adopt a sustainable lifestyle and help in transforming their city.

#### **Objectives**

Making cities more livable by using digital technology. Data used for a common good.

Provide a good experience when it comes to multimodal travels.

Promote walkability in the city in order to make it a little bit more livable.

Utilize the first and last mile and transform them into an enjoyable time.

Add a new value to daily transportation.

## service concept

#### <u>what?</u>

**dotMilano** is a service for city dwellers. It allowsamorepersonalizeddoortodoorexperience where users can pre-plan a travel while utilizing the first and last mile in order to be more active and transform them into high points in the experience.

Moreover, the platform connects active members on a daily basis allowing them to share travels and add to a growing data source designed to make Milan a little bit more livable.

#### <u>why?</u>

All travels require some walking. In any transportation mode travelers always have some additional walking time for a door to door travel eg. trying to each a transport mode from a transit to the other and getting to the final destination. With few presets **dotMilano** allows to utilize this time in order to also pre-plan this walk with an intention to stay active.

Pedestrian needs to be put at the heart of the city and considered as one of the transportation mode in the city. Focusing on the pedestrian experience and how we can ameliorate it can make a whole travel seem more enjoyable and seamless.

Often walking is disregarded and not considered as part of the travel experience.

Where multimodal travels will be unavoidable the only way to assure seamless travels is by also focusing on the first and last mile and try to make them more smooth and more meaningful.

By allowing travelers to share and update the map can help in giving more importance to the walk as an important part of the travel experience.

The core value of the project is creating a new meaning for mobility inside of the city. A new way for city dwellers to look at moving around and interact with other for the common good of their neighborhoods. **dotMilano** will create a point of contact between travelers, their municipality and their local shops.

The name **dotMilano** is meant to express that the service aims to create dots or nodes that will connect the city travelers together and create a sense of community while also creating links with shops and the municipality.

#### <u>Targets</u>

There are two main targets, the travelers and the local shop owners. As a first step **dotMilano** will focus on the travelers.

On the platform, these travelers will have a filter system that allows them to select, explore, save favorite roads and update them later in their personal heatmap. The travelers can also report any repairs that needs to be done in a particular street and leave comments to the online community to build a walkability heatmap of the city.

Also as a community they can start creating events connecting with like minded people and promoting the sustainability of their city.

As a service, if reports done by users are related to issues that needs to be dealt from the municipality (eg. repairs like fixing a hole, parked car blocking a pedestrian road...) the uploaded report will be checked then sent to notify the municipality. **dotMilano** have the potential to become a point of contact between the municipality and the citizens when it comes to mobility.

Later on, local shops will be able to join the platform and connect with the community. Local shops will be pinpointed on the maps for travelers to discover them with the coins reward system created for the contributing members. In addition, these local shops will have a page with a fixed format to fill up with the informations about the places and upload new events that are aligned with the service.

#### **Benefits for travelers**

Walkable streets/neighborhoods.

Increase safety and lower crime rate.

Setting healthy habits by linking the last mile to staying active. Health benefits like reduce obesity level and lower carbon emissions.

Self satisfaction by being a responsible citizen and trying to help the environment and reducing footprints.

Collectible & exchangeable coins in local shops.

#### **Benefits for local shops**

Boost retail sales.

Increase shop visibility.

Gain recognition in promoting sustainability of the city.

#### Platform operation principle

Using both **open** and **crowdsourced data** to providing a better travel and in particular pedestrian experience.

Official Data: schedules, service alerts... Real time Data: GPS, updates, alerts Crowd-sourced data: where users share personal data

Collecting walkability related data (friendliness of the road, safety, greenery)

Creating both a personal and network heatmap representative of the data created while using a system of color coding to represent the different values.

Heatmaps can be used to analyze eventual users behavior.

# walkability

For **dotMilano**, creating a walkability heatmap will measure how pedestrian friendly are the streets of the city and be able to communicate it through the platform for travelers.

To define street walkability I relied on the walkability hierarchy of needs rating streets from passable to enjoyable.

#### Walkability hierarchy of needs pyramid



Graphic created by Micheal Flynn, San Schwartz Engineering

Passable	Accessible	Safe
Continuity and connection of the walkways making it possible to walk from a location to another.	Accessing services within a walkable distance.	Providing a safe space away from crime and motored vehicles.
Convenient	Comfortable	Enjoyable
Walking is prioritized by minimizing the time to walk for a destination or transportation mode.	Minimizing physical discomfort from walking by providing shade and shelter for weather conditions.	Adding a joy in walking by having different elements visually appealing.

## walkability is a crucial first step in creating sustainable transportation in an urban environment.

Institute for Transportation and Development Policy (2018). Pedestrians First, Tools For a Walkable City. 1st ed. New York: ITDP.

Streets should support walking as a form of mobility, by providing safe, active, continuous, and well connected pedestrian spaces within dense, mixed and accessible neighborhoods interconnected by public transport.

For the future of the platform, I established a detailed checklist for travelers to report the streets in order to measure walkability.

#### Checklist ensuring walkability

1. Condition of the walkways	2. Cleanliness	3. Safety
City construction Pavement wideness	Dirt Trash Obstruction	Street Activity Street Light
4. Crosswalks	5. Traffic Speed	6. Parkings
Accessible Waiting time Signals	Speed limits Speed Bumps Traffic volume	On street parking
	7. Amenities:	
	Seating Public Toilet Trash bins Shops Greenery	

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## membership

To give flexibility to the service **dotMilano** offers 3 different kinds of memberships focused membership programs allowing travelers to tailor features to reach their needs.



# offering map



# traveler journey





## touchpoint map

As a beginning, **dotMilano** will start with the platform that will consist of an application, website and a newsletter updating subscribers about new information alerts and events.

After becoming more established, the platform will expand to collaborate with local shops d and assign influencers to promote the service and create events.



## system map



# brand communication

#### Logo:



#### **Brand colors:**



primary logo



dotmilano

logo for colored background



## Typography:

#### **AkkuratStd**

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## Business card sample:









### COME IN and use your coins



download the app to find out more





# service infographic poster



## mobile application wireframes

Following the service concept, I have designed an infographic service poster with an initial launch advertising and some of the main screens of the mobile application to be tested by a small group of users for validation. Watching how they reacted and noting their suggestions and questions I modified the service and added some features to the application. I also used the same refinement cards of the ideation session to get feedbacks.



#### Landing page

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Personal profile


Setting goals & preferences

Walking goals



#### **Travel options**



**Travel analysis** 

# service roadmap







# 05 Conclusion

This section present final thoughts on urban mobility, behavior design and my design proposal. It also presents possibilities for future developments.

#### About the design solution

When it comes to multimoldal travels, offering options that integrate different modes and services together can be more efficient and user friendly. The main competitor will always be the private vehicle. By collaborating with other services from the mobility sector we can make it easier for travelers to connect and use shared and public modes. Eventually helping users to stop the use of private vehicles.

From my conducted research all travelers demanded more reliability & punctuality from transportation modes, comfort, more environmental responsibility, safety, and security. And I think, in general dotMilano as a solution tries to tackle these problems while adding another value to the travel experience can help make the experience more enjoyable.

In Milan, travelers are already digitally savvy and ready to use new digital services. The main challenge in adopting "dotMilano" lies in the first behavior stages with the awareness, consideration and preparing to perform. As travelers are already subscribed in other services, registering to a new service tend to be a pain point. Linking to other services from the mobility sector is necessary and possibly also linking subscriptions and application use with other sectors like for example a music provider such as Spotify. When traveling, a user can listen while connected to the application to his music list making his travel more enjoyable.

While for sustaining the use of the service, creating a community and involving enough users travelers and local shops can gain the service more reliable and ensure it's economic sustainability.

For a future prospect dotMilano, the service can explore creating new purposes for the first and last mile. Not only making them about having an active experience but also facilitating planning errands of travelers like doing the grocery as linking with local shops and providing the coins makes sense. By exploring new purposes for the first and last walking part, travelers can stay encouraged and perceive it as a meaningful and useful part of the travel.

At last, when expanding into other cities and replicating the service, it would make sense to do it with urban cities that would offer shared and public transportation in similar size and mobility offering than Milan.

#### Final considerations

During the development of my thesis project, I got the chance to apply a behavior progression framework to design services and interventions for sustained behavior changes.

As a service designer introducing behavior design can be beneficial through the whole design process. From focusing on users needs, supporting the ideation, relying the intervention on the insights to developing the solution.

When creating new services we want users to take new action and change in their routines thus creating behavior changes. While designing, thinking about each behavior stage can increase the adoption and sustainability of the service developed and reduce the risks of failure.





This section includes the interviews and feedback from travelers, a mobility expert and participating designers of the ideation workshop.

# travelers questionnaire

### Transportation Modes /// Frequency & Purposes

### 1. What are the current passes and subscriptions that you have for transportation in the city of Milan (Atm, Enjoy, Mobile....)

Quali sono gli attuali abbonamenti che hai per il trasporto nella città di Milano (Atm, Enjoy, Mobile....)

### 2. What transportation do you use on a daily basis & how much time do you spend in them daily?

Che tipo di trasporto usi quotidianamente e quanto tempo trascorri in loro ogni giorno?

### 3. Are you familiar with shared transportation (car, bike, moto)? If yes which one did you use?

Conoscete il trasporto condiviso (auto, moto, bici)? Se sì quale hai usato?

### 4. Do you use them often? For what purpose?Why you don't use them often?

Li usi spesso? Per quale scopo? Perché non li usi spesso?

### 5. Do you own a private vehicle (car, bike, moto...)? If yes, how often do you use them inside of the city and usually for what purposes?

Possiedi un veicolo privato (auto, bici, moto ...)? Se sì, quanto spesso li usi all'interno della città e di solito a quali scopi?

6. For what purpose do you use public transportation
Per quale scopo usi il trasporto pubblico
For what purpose do you use shared transportation
Per quale scopo usi il trasporto condiviso
For what purpose do you use private transportation
Per quale scopo usi il trasporto privato
For what purpose you won't use one of them
Per quale scopo, non userai uno di questi trasporti

# 7. For any transport notification on what do you rely (new journeys, delays...)? Do you use more than one platform (atm, google maps, citymapper...)?

Per qualsiasi notifica di trasporto su cosa ti affidi (nuovi viaggi, ritardi ...)? Usi più di una piattaforma (atm, google maps, citymapper...)?

### Positive/negative experiences

### 8. Do you these platforms often? And for what purpose do you usually use them?

Li controlli spesso? E per quale motivo li usi di solito?

### 9. For you, what are the factors for a good & successful experience in transportation around the city?

Per te, quali sono i fattori per un'esperienza positiva nel trasporto in città?

# 10. What can be your frustrations and low points in transportation around the city? What disturbs you the most during a journey?

Quali possono essere le tue frustrazioni e punti bassi nel trasporto in città? Cosa ti disturba di più durante un viaggio?

What transportation mode you avoid to use? why?

Quale modalità di trasporto eviti di usare? perché

# 11. Do you feel that the government is taking measure to encourage public & shared transportation and discourage using private vehicles? If yes what are they doing?

Pensi che il governo stia prendendo misure per incoraggiare il trasporto pubblico e condiviso e scoraggiare l'utilizzo di veicoli privati? Se sì, cosa stanno facendo?

#### 12. In your opinion in general what do you think is missing to make the city more sustainable and make people use more public and shared transportation? In terms of transportation, what can the city do better for its residents?

Secondo te, cosa pensi che manchi per rendere la città più sostenibile e incoraggiare le persone a utilizzare i trasporti pubblici e condivisi ? Cosa può fare la città di piu per i suoi residenti?

### 13. Did you find a city that you liked it's transportation and thought it's better than Milan? In what way it was better?

Hai trovato una città che ti è piaciuta il trasporto e hai pensato che fosse meglio di Milano?

Name: Sex:

Umberto M Age: 31 Nationality: Italian

"Usually the people who are late are the people coming by car."

"Italians are not used to using bikes because they consider it for the poor people and if you are successful you use your own car."

"If you do something wrong you don't get punished and you don't necessarily have a fine."

### **Behavior types**

**Using public transport:** Internalized stage, some times becomes advocate

Has an annual pass which makes him not really try other modes

Using Shared Bike: Familiar behavior, performed once

**Using Shared Car:** Consider stage Doesn't have the subscription but used in the night with friends that already have a pass and would like to use it again

**Using travel planners:** Familiar behavior Uses usually google maps for new destinations He doesn't really know or memorise the street or the map of Milan but instead relies on his memory of the underground map

**Using TNC:** Rarely use it Aware stage

### **Concerns/Constraints**

Exterior factors that slow down overground public transportations Rain and snow especially that it is something normal for the city.

Night lines are unsafe in the night and avoids using 90/91 public buses.

Delays and slowing down of transportations.

People don't respect the rules because there is no efficient punishment system.

Information usually provided by travel planner leaves out time for finding a parking spot then walking back to the final destination making the information misleading.

### **Expectations**

- Short waiting time.
- Safe transportation.
- Acceptable walking distances.
- Clear and not confusing information.
- Understand where he is and where he has to go.

Name:EnzoAge: 28Sex:MNationality: Chinese

"I sometimes take the bike but since I already paid for atm even paying as low as 50 is not needed."

"I see a lot of construction but I don't know what is actually changing. Maybe some lines or extension lines where the bus didn't get before but its minor changes and it's not affecting my life so far."

"Riding a bike in Milan makes me feel uncomfortable."

"Not sure that these car sharing services are actually more environmental friendly than having a personal car and taking care of it because these shared cars tend to wear out fast and people don't take care of them because its not theirs.

Once I have my driving license I think I will buy my car and I would get an electric one."

#### **Behavior types**

**Using public transport:** Internalized stage (monthly subscription) Monthly subscriber

**Using Shared Bike:** Familiar behavior use it 2 times a month mainly after midnight when the public transport is down

**Using Shared Car:** Ready to perform Stage

**Using travel planners:** Internalized stage Has it always on but doesn't actually benefit from the informations because he knows by heart the passante schedule so usually never checks

**Using TNC:** Familiar behavior Used to take taxis in the beginning but then decided to save money and start using the other services

### Concerns/Constraints

Money.

Long waiting times at public stations.

Delays in the passante with no alternative with travel planner notifications that are only frustrating.

On a bike relies on google maps who doesn't give a biking route options and didn't actually try to find another app with the option.

His Chinese driving license is not valid.

### **Expectations**

Punctual and reliable public transportation.

Better city infrastructure: When it comes to biking the city has to improve the bike lanes.

Strict time schedules: I know when it's coming and when it's going.

Free sharing bikes.

Name: Jin Sex: F Age: 27 Nationality: Chinese

"Even if I gets my driving license I won't buy a car because its too much maintenance and parking is impossible in Milano."

"I prefer walking in the center than using a bike. I enjoy the city more."

#### **Behavior types**

**Using public transport:** Internalized stage Monthly subscriber

**Using Shared Bike:** Familiar behavior prefers to walk for short distances

Using Shared Car: Ready to perform Stage

**Using travel planners:** Internalized stage Uses 2 atm for delays and bus info google maps for journeys

**Using TNC:** Internalized stage Uses it a lot especially in the weekend and in the night spends around 100 200 euro a month

### Concerns/Constraints

Delays in the passante because she usually relies on it for her commute.

Safety in the night.

Connections from airport to city as she travels a lot.

Her Chinese driving license is not valid and needs to do an Italian driving license.

Even if the government is doing an action to motivate people to use less their private vehicle its more a personal choice depending on each person's lifestyle.

### **Expectations**

Better airport/city connections.

Convenient and fast transportations.

Name:	Luca
Sex:	Μ

Age: 25 Nationality: Italian

"A private car is like a statement of luxury."

"I would love to have a car If I have it will definitely cost me so much more but I have more control over my travel I can have all my things inside and i can personalize."

"Using a shared car to reach the center is challenging because it's difficult to understand how the streets works with the car and Area C so it's hard to know how I can get there without breaking some rules."

### **Behavior types**

<b>Using public transport:</b> Pay as you go user	Internalized stage
Using Shared Bike:	Internalized stage
Using Shared Car:	Internalized stage
Using travel planners:	Internalized stage
Using TNC:	Internalized stage

### **Concerns/Constraints**

Few shared car in time of need.

Enjoy doesn't communicate while driving if you crossed an Area C Under high demand lack of a car sharing service in the zone.

No continuity when it comes to some tram lines. Tram lanes makes it difficult to bike in the city.

### **Expectations**

One app for all managing his pay as you go options.

More efficient service when it comes to car sharing in terms of number of cars, crashing app, better vehicle maintenances.

Public transportation controllers.

Good temperature inside of public transportation Better flow management: Frequent public transportations to avoid being overcrowded.

Ameliorate the transportations for the limits especially that taxis cost a lot more than other cities.

Name: Luigi Sex: M Age: 35 Nationality: Italian

"I don't see that our future will be only with public transportation, I see electric vehicles and other innovative private vehicles."

"Some people call the public transportation as "la sposta poveri!"

"In all cities that i visited it was possible to buy a ticket on the bus and in every bus tram or whatever there was someone that controls buying the ticket . I don't understand why here we don't have this!"

"It would be nice if google maps can tell me where to park but it's something that you just told me i didn't know that i needed it."

#### **Behavior types**

<b>Using public transport:</b> Monthly subscriber	Internalized stage
Using Shared Bike:	Aware stage
Using Shared Car:	Familiar Behavior
Using travel planners:	Internalized stage
Using TNC:	Aware stage

### <u>Concerns/Constraints</u>

When using a shared car it is not convenient when going somewhere a little bit on the periphery he is not guaranteed to find a car for his way back.

Parking is a problem You arrive to your location and don't find a parking spot then you spend more money going around looking for a parking spot and trying to find one.

No bike infrastructure.

Relation between time/money spent for a travel(would use his personal car for a trip that takes 7 mins in his car instead of 45 min in public transport).

Changing too many transportation modes.

#### **Expectations**

More city Actions like educative initiatives and some incentives for not using the car.

More Sundays with no traffic.

Buy a ticket on the bus. Ticket control in public transportation. Fines for bad actions.

Recommendations for where he can find a free parking spot.

Better infrastructure: Separate bike and car lanes.

Not to drive but instead take advantage of his travel time.

Name: Erica Sex: F Age: 33 Nationality: Italian

"Moving around in a car during the day is way too slow to make sense for short distances and if you only need to move yourself too, I can tell from using a bicycle in rush hours a lot, I was faster than cars in many occasions."

"I check travel planners when I need to travel to a place I don't know. But, Since they're so convenient I tend to check back for routes I already know sometimes"

" If you're wealthy you can't be seen using public means, like those are for the poor."

### **Behavior types**

<b>Using public transport:</b> Pay as you go user	Familiar Behaviour
Using Shared Bike:	Familiar Behaviour
Using Shared Car:	Ready to Perform
Using travel planners:	Internalized stage
Using TNC:	Aware Stage

### <u>Concerns/Constraints</u>

I signed up for enjoy after one night I was far from home and the metro service had stopped, so I'd have a backup if it happened again but haven't used it so far.

When having your personal bike you always Have to keep an eye on weather forecasts, worrying that it might get stolen, etc

Not being able to pre-plan her trip.

Cramped feel of public transportations when they're full A metro wagon in commute hours in summer is stinky and sweaty A full metro wagon can be alienating in general if you're using it a lot Avoid using underground transportation because she feels it is messy and crowded.

People still retain a mentality that it feels more independent and practical to have your own car. more of a status symbol from the past. Roads are cramped with cars no one knows where to park.

#### **Expectations**

Private cars just make no sense for a single person to just move around.

I have no doubt personally that public and shared transport make more sense than private in a city but I get frustrated when they end up being just as slow, for any reason.

In public transport, a precise time planning like when she plans on her bike.

Be able to conduct another activity in a public transport like reading a book Increase number and frequency of public transportation.

Less cars so would free up the roads and probably lessen surface public transport delays.

Buy a ticket on the bus where driver is able to check that everybody has a ticket too.

Direct and better and more affordable connections with major airports.

Name:	
Sex:	

Fabrizio M Age: 38 Nationality: Italian

"I would never take a 90 Bus in the night instead I usually take a taxi even if I had to pay a lot."

"I wish the metro would work non stop on a Saturday like in other big cities."

### **Behavior types**

<b>Using public transport:</b> Monthly subscriber	Internalized stage
Using Shared Bike:	Internalized stage
Using Shared Car:	Ready to Perform
Using travel planners:	Familiar Behavior
Using TNC:	Familiar Behavior

### Concerns/Constraints

Safety in public transportation in the night.

Shared services that you have to park in a designated place (BikeMi).

Temperature of the metros are inconsistent.

Not having his driving license wants to works on having his license.

No bike recommendation routes.

#### **Expectations**

Non stop working public service in the weekend with controllers to secure it's safety.

Better night services.

No more public biking park spots.

# expert interview: URBI

Name: Emiliano Saurino Urbi (MaaS operating in Milan)

**1. Since when did Urbi start to operate in Milan?** February 2014

### 2. Do all the city that you operate in are similar or do you feel each one has its own particularity?

We open a city when there are more than 2-3 shared mobility services available, where we thing an app like URBI makes sense.

This means that usually they are similar in terms of size and mobility offer. On the other side every city has it's own particularity and we need to adapt. A big city like Milan or Berlin with many citizens and many mobility players has different needs than a "medium" city like Turin for example.

#### 3. Can you tell me more about the particularity of Milan?

Milan in Italy is a pioneer in mobility. On one side they are fighting private cars and pollution, on the other are facilitating new mobility trends.

This is a good situation for a service like ours. The users are "digital ready" and they are willing to use new services. Between the Italian cities is also quite international

#### 4. Did you face any challenges to launch as MaaS?

The main problem we are facing is that the public transport company (ATM) doesn't want to cooperate with new initiative although the city is asking them to do so. This is a particular situation because the city is suppose to own ATM.

On the other side, but this is a common problem in all cities, the private stakeholders are not yet in a phase where they see a value to be aggregated. We think that right now the services are not competing between each others, the real competitor is the "private car".

In order to convince a user to leave the car at home, the alternative service has to be reliable and convenient.

The only way to achieve this is having multiple services. They still think they will be the only mobility provider

### 5. Did you do any user test before launching in the city? And did you find it was easy to adopt by user?

It depends on the cities. Usually we "open" a city and than we adapt listening to the users. They give feedback on services they want in the app and they allow us to discover if a city as data that we don't know exists.

Even between same service running in different cities there are small differences. We aggregate more than 60 providers, it's almost impossible to be updated with the changes happening without the help of our users. Once we can reach a core user group in the city everything is much easier. This is the tricky part in "medium-small" cities.

### 6. When it comes to travelers, what are the most common pain points that you identified?

First of all we assume that they are already familiar with shared mobility services, it's difficult that a traveler decides to use them the first time while abroad.

The main pain point is the discovery and enrollment on local services, most of the time they are already registers to other services with all the documents and payment already validated. Going through another registration flow is a big blocker.

The second pain is lack of trust. It's not that they want to pay less, but they might have the feeling that they are paying more for a service just because they are tourists. Especially in Italian cities, it is important to give them a fixed price in our MaaS solution, so they know how much they will pay before they use the services.

### 7. For users, did you define any kind of target (age group, personas, living in a specific zones etc.)?

We did not define target at the beginning. Now we are looking to our data to understand who is using our app and how we can improve the experience of the target that we are not yet hitting. For example most of our users right now are between 24-34 and they are male.

We are working to improve our product in order to attract more females and 18-24 target.

### 8. Have you received any kind of feedback from adopters that you thought were insightful?

We receive many feedbacks by mail, but mostly regarding services and how to improve the current app.

Regarding new features we try to be fast to put in the app a POC of the feature we want to test and than analyzing the data on how the users interact with it we decide if it makes sense to invest time developing it.

### 9. How do you currently reach customers (touchpoints and channels) and are you planning on adding others for the future?

We have tried different approaches. In Milan we've also opened a temporary shop.

In general the most use touch point is mail, than reviews and than social. We do have a couple of "core users" that time to time visit us for a coffee :) In the future we'd like to try to organize small and local mobility events.

# designer ideation feedback 1

#### Name: Liqin Service Designer

#### 1. If you can share some general thoughts about the ideation workshop. Also if you have in mind some advantages and disadvantages about using tools

The workshop is great, it is the first time me as a service designer to do such scheduled brainstorming section and also it is interesting because it all starts from changing users' behavior's point of view. There are 8 stages of behavior change, it would be great to better explain the difference between those stages. Just maybe taking the time into consideration, it is a little bit too long .and maybe think about how to introduce those tools in a simple and easy way.

### 2. Did you think using users behavioral state and this method to conduct the ideation was useful for the project?

Yes, definitely. It provides a new perspective, promoting a new service is actually changing user's behavior.

### 3. What did you think about using the canvas (Design Ideation Canvas, Idea Interlink Canvas, Idea detailing Canvas)

Some parts actually we didn't use. For example for the design ideation canvas, we didn't talk about the service organization part and the human touchpoints part. I really like the idea interlink canvas, that's the part that we actually start brainstorming and i will prefer to have more space.

#### 4. What did you think about using the ideation cards? Did you feel they were useful to generate/validate more ideas? (Current context cards, Ignite cards (Primary & Secondary) Challenge Cards, Enrichment Cards)

Some yes, but I need time to actually understand the cards, but maybe if I use the cards more frequent, I will adapt it easier and faster. Also, as I remember there are some moments that Ravi interprets and ask my understanding about the cards, and I didn't understand it totally. The illustrations of the cards are super good.

### 5. Some Ideas to improve the ideation workshop and the use of these particular tools

Have better explanation about the tools. Maybe a presentation or something instead of just papers.

# designer ideation feedback 2

Name: Felicitas Service Designer

#### 1. If you can share some general thoughts about the ideation workshop. Also if you have in mind some advantages and disadvantages about using tools

I think it was useful because brainstorming was clear and focused on right things. It was easier to think about topic and write down things that I never used to think about before

### 2. Did you think using users behavioral state and this method to conduct the ideation was useful for the project?

I think it was useful because it was interesting to think about stuff that you will never have on your mind to come to the solution.

### 3. What did you think about using the canvas (Design Ideation Canvas, Idea Interlink Canvas, Idea detailing Canvas)

I liked the idea of using canvas because there were main points to think about, it was easier and faster than regular brainstorming

#### 4. What did you think about using the ideation cards? Did you feel they were useful to generate/validate more ideas? (Current context cards, Ignite cards (Primary & Secondary) Challenge Cards, Enrichment Cards)

They were useful but sometimes confusing. Sometimes I was able to validate more ideas but sometimes it was too confusing for me to read them and think about the main topic

### 5. Some Ideas to improve the ideation workshop and the use of these particular tools

Maybe an introduction with a very graphical presentation on the tools and a distinction by color of the different kinds could help to clear out the concepts

# designer ideation feedback 3

Name: Tamara Product Designer

#### 1. If you can share some general thoughts about the ideation workshop. Also if you have in mind some advantages and disadvantages about using tools

the cards and supports were a huge help to ideate, identify directions and confront each other

# 2. Did you think using users behavioral state and this method to conduct the ideation was useful for the project? absolutely, yes

### 3. What did you think about using the canvas (Design Ideation Canvas, Idea Interlink Canvas, Idea detailing Canvas)

The design ideation canvas seemed really useful, the idea interlink canvas was nice, but not that useful in my opinion, I didn't see such an advantage to simply clustering ideas according to specific parameters. The limit of the printed paper made it difficult to organize the quantity of post-its

#### 4. What did you think about using the ideation cards? Did you feel they were useful to generate/validate more ideas? (Current context cards, Ignite cards (Primary & Secondary) Challenge Cards, Enrichment Cards)

They were very useful yet a little confusing in the beginning, since there were a lot and subdivided in categories. This made it difficult in first instance to fully concentrate on the ideation instead of what card to take and how these were supposed to work



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