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CYCLING IN PARIS REGION

A NEW VISION, THE « RER-V » REGIONAL CYCLING NETWORK PROJECT

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Paris Region key figures



Cycling: a slow & progressive inclusion in regional urban policies

1976

after years of pro-cars policies, a first report, real groundbreaking document: « the two-wheels in the city » : the bike is again taken account as a real transport mode but no act and nearly no effect

1976

2000



1994

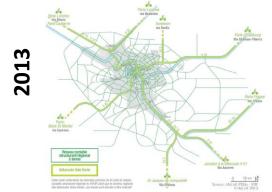
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2000

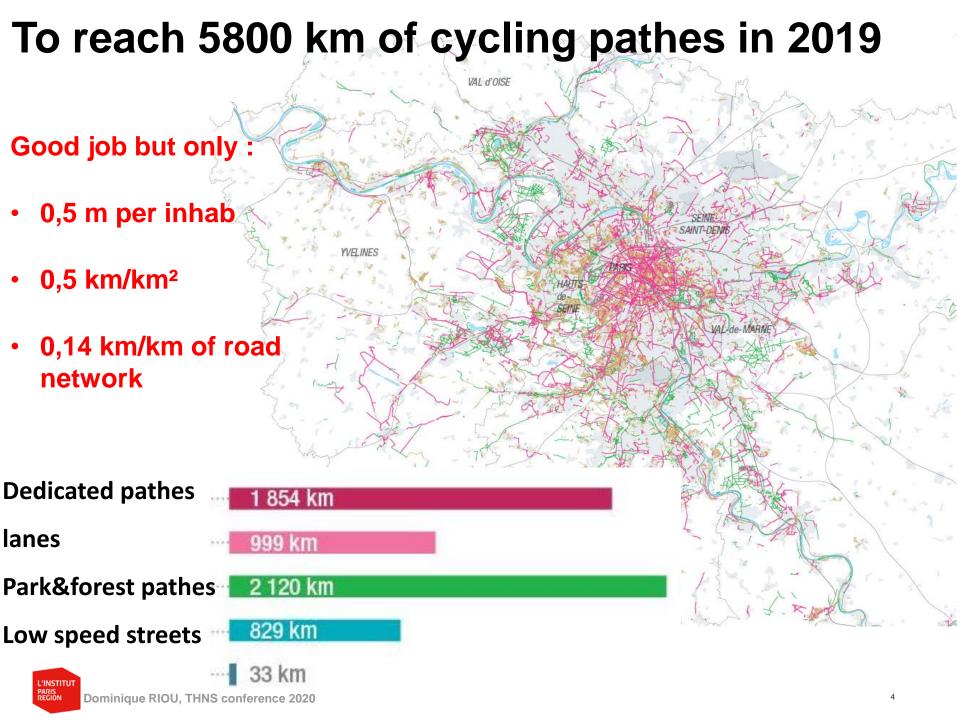
the first regional Mobility Plan (SUMP) is approved and includes a regional network dedicated for biking but without any strong capacities of implementation

2013

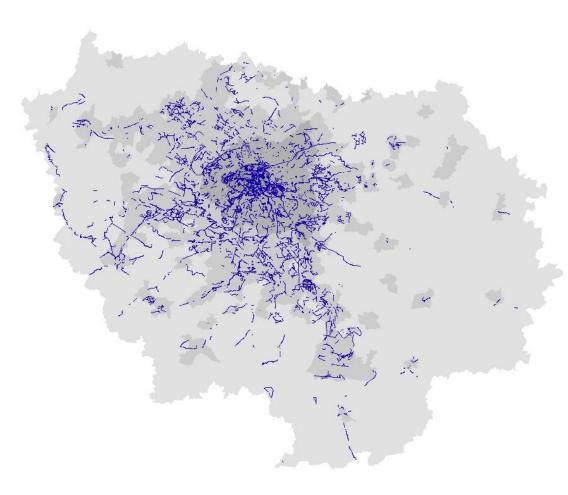
the new regional Master Plan and the new Mobility Plan include together a regional cycling network







Chiefly all of this doesn't make a real network!



- a lot of too short trunks
- lack of continuities for quite long itinerary
- very variable quality
- lack of signage
- A lot are underused

Old facilities, some begining to vanish









New & good facilities, but still lack of users

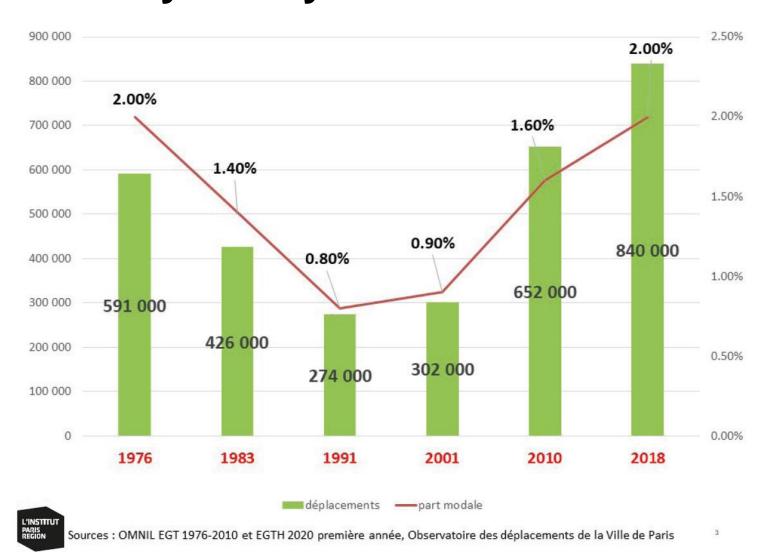








Consequently, the cycling mobility used to increase very slowly





A specific case, Paris City



- 900 km of cycling pathes (8,6 km/km²)
- 3 times increase of traffic in 20 years







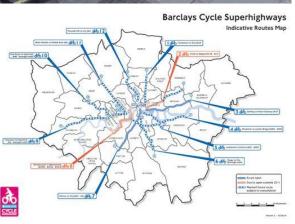


Other european metropoles show the way

- Supercykelstier in Copenhague
- Cycle Superhighways in London
- Fahrradroutenhaupnetz in Berlin



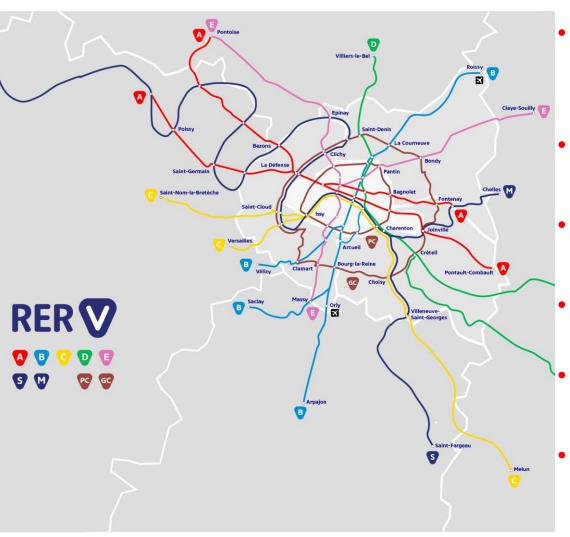








Early 2020, finally a new vision for cycling in Paris Region: the RER-V project



- RER-V for Réseau Express Régional Vélo (same name than suburn trains RER)
- 9 lines, 650 km of continuous itineraries
- designed for heavy traffics (bike as a mass transit mode)
- initiated by cycle associations (https://velo-iledefrance.fr/)
- built by local bodies
 (municipalities and councils)
- with the financial support of the Region (300 M€ funds)

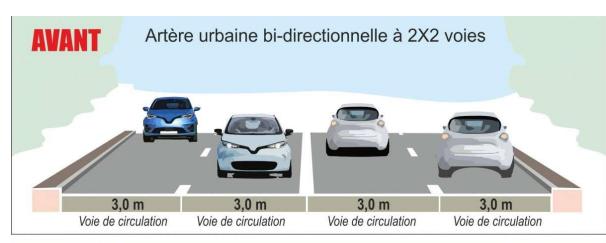
- cycling considered as a safe mode of transport
- emergency faced to PT difficulties, risk of huge car congestion and pollution
- 140 km of new pathes built within 4 months,
- low cost solutions but fast implementation
- radical solutions to take back space from cars
- new connections opened eg to economic zones
- results: lots of commuters, bike traffic doubling compared to 2019





The concept







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Some implementations









Rivoli street in Paris, records broken with more than 20,000 bikes per day

70's only cars



2000's cars & buses



Late 2010's cars & buses & bikes





2020 only bikes & buses

Last, why promote urban cycling?

Because It's good for:

- > the planet: it's a real zero emission mode of transport
- the city: it's compact, quick and flexible, adapted for a huge part of urban trips
- > your health: regular cycling lowers the risk of coronary disease and obesity-related diseases or diabetes by approximatively 50%.

Thanks