# Equity implications of emerging transport modes

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| The transport landscape is becoming increasingly diverse. Emerging forms of transport such as electric bicycles, electric scooters and possibly driverless cars, alongside different models of accessing and paying for transport, such as sharing vehicles, or mobility as a service mean that the transport landscape is changing.  On the one hand these new modes of transport offer the promise of a more inclusive and equitable transport system, for example, by removing upfront costs of ownership, or widening access to motorised transport for those who cannot drive. However, there are also concerns as to whether these modes can really address issues of inequality in the transport system – and an increasing amount of evidence suggests that those most likely to be excluded from the transport system at present do not benefit from these new modes of transport.  In this learning café we will present the arguments surrounding the equity of emerging transport modes – referring to our ongoing research as well as the international literature in order to stimulate debate and discussion around the potential of new transport modes to address equity concerns. |