

## ITF Urban Logistics Hub Round Table

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- Julius Caeser attempted to manage urban logistics:
"No heavy goods vehicles in Rome during the daytime except for the purposes of temple building or repair, or for removing demolition waste"
(M Beard, SPQR 2015)
- Who drives innovation (and why?)


## Freight and logistics fundamentals



Commercial activity: Power of procurement

## Influencing the last mile



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- Commodity supply chains
- 'Bread, beer, blood'
- Volume/frequency
- Existing regulations: local, national, international
- Vehicle - weights, dimensions, specifications (CAZ, DVS)
- Driver - licencing, WTD
- Operation - noise, health and safety (load and workers)
- Kerbside - time, location, conflicting uses
- Locations
- Production site, warehouse(s) and customer


## Drivers of change

- Logistics activity
- Seasonality
- Customer trends
- Retail led
- Supermarkets, Amazon, 'instant' grocery
- Delivery speed and 'free delivery'
- Cost v service (productivity and journey time reliability)
- NB: Traditional operators v venture capital
- Property sector
- Investor appetite (commercial v residential v industrial)
- Leases/rental
- Property supply
- Industrial/logistics land availability


## Public sector role

- Policy, strategy and regulation
- People AND goods
- 'Consolidation centres and cargo bikes' - define problem first
- Avoid, shift, improve
- Land zoning, planning and development
- Control v responsibility
- Operate or manage consolidated freight?
- Procurement (public sector 14\% GDP in the EU)
- Behaviour change?
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