

GEOPOLITICS OF EUROPE

Should transport be public or private?

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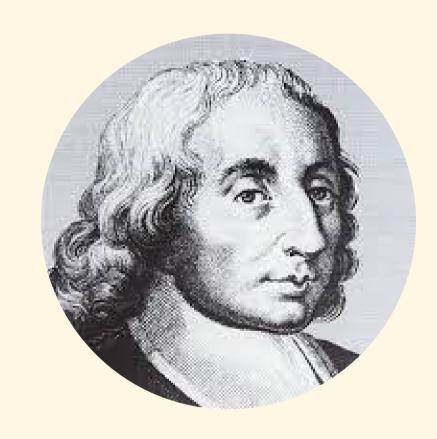
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Introduction





Public transportation was born in Europe in 1662 thanks to Blaise Pascal

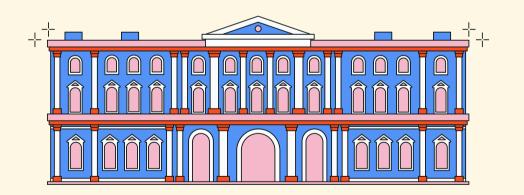




Today, throughout Europe, there are 210,000 kilometers of railroads, 52,000 kilometers of waterways and 7,000 kilometers of high-speed railroads.

Public transport: advantages and disadvantages

Advantages



States are obliged to make transport accessible to all, wherever they live, their main objective is to serve the population and to connect all the smallest towns to the largest cities



Disadvantages

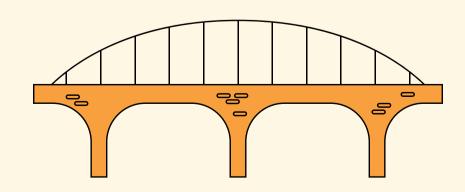




There are no alternatives, they are in a monopoly situation. Users are totally dependent on state-controlled transport

The States do not pay the public employees correctly, which consequently does not attract people who can have the necessary skills to bring innovations in the field of infrastructures or in security.





When transportation is public, the state has to allocate a budget for these improvements.

Private transport: advantages and disadvantages

Advantages



Allowing competition in the transport sector will bring several benefits:

- Benefits for consumers because prices will be extremely competitive
- Great increase in proposal regarding security and services
- The creation of many jobs





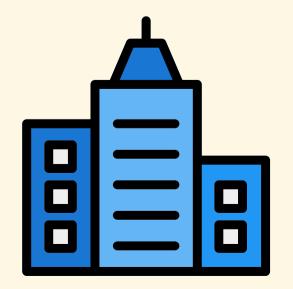
Disadvantages





1- Money before people

The private transport wanting essentially profit contrary to the states will privilege the exploitation of the big lines rather than the small lines because less used.





2- Bad attention

Small minority of people will use this field as little as possible legally in order to earn as much money as possible







Conclusions

Doing "public - private" would be the best

Must be open to the private sector for consumers but must also be open to the public to ensure citizen rights

Thank you for listening!

Don't hesitate to ask any questions!

