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### **Press release**

1 year "Züri Velo"

## More than 270,000 bicycles borrowed in the first year

# "Züri Velo" has grown to 112 stations and 1400 bikes in its first year. Since April 2018, customers have made around 270,000 trips.

The "Züri Velo" network has been continuously expanded since its opening on 6 April 2018. Currently, 1400 bicycles are available to customers at 112 stations. With 150 stations and 2250 bikes, of which 1200 are ebikes, the city network will be complete by summer 2019. In the first year of operation, users took more than 270,000 rides, which corresponds to approximately 700,000 kilometers. Twenty employees of the Social Services and Enterprises of the City of Zurich (SEB) are responsible for maintaining the network on behalf of PubliBike.

PubliBike operates eight bike sharing networks throughout Switzerland, with a total of 350 stations and 3500 bikes. The largest networks are "Züri Velo" and "Velo Bern", followed by Lausanne-Morges and Lugano-Malcantone. PubliBike customers can use the entire network.

### New rates starting on 29 March 2019

Starting on 29 March 2019, PubliBike customers will now have the option to purchase a monthly subscription or an annual subscription. The price for the least expensive "EasyBike" subscription is now CHF 60 instead of CHF 50 per year and is now available for CHF 9 per month. With "EasyBike", the first half hour with a normal bike is free. The price for the "FreeBike" annual subscription has decreased significantly from CHF 400 to CHF 290, while the newly introduced monthly subscription costs CHF 29 per month. With "FreeBike", the first half hour on an e-bike is also free. The prices for pay-per-use ("QuickBike") remain the same. The "MaxiBike" subscription is no longer available. Details on bike sharing and rates can be found on the PubliBike app and website.

Photo: "Züri Velo" station "Helmhaus" (Photo: PubliBike)

### Further information:

- Event: PubliBike will be at the Urban Bike Festival at Turbinenplatz from 29.-31.3. 2019: https://urbanbikefestival.ch/
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