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## Media release

PubliBike

### The Lugano-Malcantone network expands.

**The PubliBike Lugano-Malcantone network will be further expanded from 31 to 38 stations. Seven new stations will be operational on 29 March.**

By December 2017, PubliBike had modernised the Lugano-Paradiso network by adding 50% e-bikes. Subsequently, the network was extended to Lower Malcantone. In addition to the 25 stations already operating in December 2018, 6 stations were put into operation: "Lambertenghi", "Piazza Molino Nuovo", "Via Ginevra", "Massagno", "Viale dei Faggi" and "Viganello". On 29 March 2019, the following stations will be inaugurated: "Piazza Manzoni", "Via Beltramina", "Via Ceresio", "Via Crocetta", "Via Ferri", "Ospedale Italiano" and "Paradiso SBB". 38 stations and 208 bicycles will be available to customers in the Lugano-Malcantone network. To date, 55,000 rides have been taken in this network, the equivalent of biking around the world three times.

PubliBike bikes can be borrowed via smartphone or SwissPass. You can locate the stations and the number of bikes available with the app or the website. PubliBike has eight bike sharing networks throughout Switzerland. In mid-March 2019, PubliBike recorded 1 million rides.

#### **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:** "LAC " station of the Lugano-Malcantone network (Photo: PubliBike)

**More information:**

- **Map of the network:** Map of the stations on the attached pdf or at [www.publibike.ch](http://www.publibike.ch)
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