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EUROPE'S CITIES FIT FOR FUTURE

THE **WEB CONFERENCE SERIES** ACCOMPANYING THE
RENEWAL OF THE LEIPZIG CHARTER DURING
THE GERMAN EU COUNCIL PRESIDENCY

KICK-OFF // SEPTEMBER 3RD 2020 // 9H30 - 12H30

TRANSLATE IT INTO ACTION // SEPTEMBER 9TH 2020 // 9H45 - 18H15 (3 x 2H30)

SET THE RIGHT FRAMEWORK // SEPTEMBER 18TH 2020 // 9H30 - 12H30



WHAT'S IT ABOUT?

The German Association for Housing, Urban and Spatial Development and the German Federal Ministry of the Interior, Building and Community invite all actors shaping Europe's cities and regions to take part in the web series "Europe's Cities Fit for Future": five online sessions spread over three days during the **GERMAN EU COUNCIL PRESIDENCY**. The COVID-19 pandemic turned most local development strategies upside down in a drastic way. However, 2020 still holds the opportunity to influence an important strategic course in the field of European urban development policy and thereby to react immediately and resolutely to the experienced shortcomings. The regulations governing the EU Structural Funds for the next seven years will be approved. Further, the adoption of the **NEW LEIPZIG CHARTER** is foreseen end of 2020. Together with you, we want to discuss in our European web series, what the New Leipzig Charter and the EU cohesion policy contribute to resilient cities and regions that are fit for future.

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KICK-OFF

*FUTURE-PROOF CITIES & REGIONS –
WHAT A NEW LEIPZIG CHARTER
WANTS TO CONTRIBUTE*



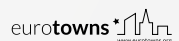
WHAT'S TO EXPECT FROM DAY 1?

The globalisation has its strong impacts on local level. Climate change, increasing social fragmentation, digitalisation, new economies: Cities are facing a number of different challenges. How to cope with them and what the **NEW LEIPZIG CHARTER** and its principles could contribute? These questions are at the heart of the first web session. We will hear keynotes of **VOLKMAR VOGEL**, Parliamentary State Secretary to the German Federal Minister responsible for urban development, as well as of the book author **DR. NIKLAS MAAK** and other high-ranking officials and experts. Furthermore, **KEY NOTES & TALKS** of European urban development experts are on the agenda.

**REGISTRATION AND
FURTHER INFORMATION:**

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KICK-OFF // THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 3RD 2020



FUTURE-PROOF CITIES & REGIONS – WHAT A NEW LEIPZIG CHARTER WANTS TO CONTRIBUTE

Moderator: Dorothea Palenberg, Managing Partner, blue! advancing european projects

10h00	»	INTRODUCTION BY THE MODERATOR
10h05	»	WELCOME STATEMENTS Michael Groschek , President of the German Association for Housing, Urban and Spatial Development Volkmar Vogel , Parliamentary State Secretary to the German Federal Minister of the Interior, Building and Community
10h25	»	KEY NOTE: OUR CITIES' FUTURE – WHAT'S AHEAD? Dr. Niklas Maak , Book Author and Writer for the F.A.Z. Feuilleton
10h50	»	TALK: THE LOCAL & THE GLOBAL: MAKING SENSE OF EUROPEAN SPATIAL POLICIES Prof. Dr. Anna Geppert , University Paris-Sorbonne
11h10	»	STRETCHING LEGS
11h20	»	SHORT INPUTS: CITIES' FUTURE CHALLENGES AND HOW TO ADDRESS THEM Claudia Baranzelli, PhD , Researcher at the Joint Research Centre of the European Commission Dr. Margit Noll , Chair of the JPI Urban Europe Management Board Wolfgang Teubner , Regional Director of the European Secretariat of ICLEI
12h00	»	TALK: TOWARDS A NEW LEIPZIG CHARTER – UNLEASHING THE TRANSFORMATIVE POWER OF CITIES Prof. Dr. Silke Weidner , Brandenburg University of Technology Cottbus - Senftenberg Tilman Buchholz , Deputy Head of Unit, German Federal Ministry of the Interior, Building and Community
12h30	»	CLOSING OF THE KICK-OFF WEB CONFERENCE Christian Huttenloher , Secretary General, German Association for Housing, Urban and Spatial Development

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