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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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*JUST, GREEN & PRODUCTIVE –
FRONTRUNNER-CITIES AND THEIR APPROACHES*



WHAT'S TO EXPECT FROM DAY 2?

Many cities and regions from all over Europe are already implementing innovative strategies and principles as described in the New Leipzig Charter and during the kick-off session of our web series on September 3rd 2020. What is to learn from them? This will be addressed in three interactive thematic sessions on **GOOD PRACTICE EXAMPLES** on just, green and productive city strategies.

In each session, there will be a short input, respectively on the **JUST, GREEN** or **PRODUCTIVE CITY**. These are the three key dimensions of sustainable European cities that will be laid out in the New Leipzig Charter. What follows are short inputs of four city representatives in each session on a good practice and a **MODERATED DISCUSSION** on their perception of **KEY PRINCIPLES OF GOOD URBAN GOVERNANCE**. These include the integrated approach, participation & co-creation, multi-level governance, the place-based approach as well as their understanding of urban policy for the common good. For more information see the detailed agendas for each session below.

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TRANSLATE IT INTO ACTION // WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 9TH 2020



JUST, GREEN & PRODUCTIVE: FRONTRUNNER CITIES AND THEIR APPROACHES

SESSION 1 - THE **PRODUCTIVE** NEIGHBOURHOOD, CITY & REGION

Just, green and productive: these three pillars combined contribute to the resilience of our cities and allow them to deal with social, economic and ecological challenges and to provide and guarantee a high quality of life.

With **PRODUCTIVE**, we refer to a diversified economy which provides jobs and assures a sound financial base for sustainable urban development. For this purpose, cities need a skilled workforce, social, technical and logistic infrastructure as well as affordable and accessible space – a challenging task when faced with the shifts towards digital, low-carbon and service-oriented economies that build on a knowledge society and cultural industries. Multifunctionality, new supply chains, sharing economy and shared places are new focal points we observe.

In this session we will hear frontrunner cities that are yet on the right track. With a short input and a moderated discussion, representatives of Aveiro (PT), Preston (UK), Rotterdam (NL) and Mouans-Sartoux (FR) show us their innovative approaches to **BE PRODUCTIVE AND GET FIT FOR FUTURE!**

Moderator: Eddy Adams, URBACT Programme Expert / AE Consult

10h00	»	WELCOME WORDS OF THE MODERATOR
10h05	»	THE PRODUCTIVE CITY – INTRODUCTION & LINK TO THE NEW LEIPZIG CHARTER Jonas Scholze , Executive Secretary, German Association for Housing, Urban and Spatial Development
10h15	»	MODERATED DISCUSSION & INPUTS OF REPRESENTATIVES OF GOOD PRACTICES FROM ALL OVER EUROPE: AVEIRO TECH CITY André Cester Costa , City of Aveiro INNOVATIVE PUBLIC INVESTMENT & PROCUREMENT Tamar Reay , City of Preston BRIDGE: MATCHING LABOUR MARKET SUPPLY & DEMAND Hendrik Jan Bosch , City of Rotterdam LOCAL FOOD SYSTEMS & SUPPLY CHAINS Nathan Begoc & Gilles Perole , City of Mouans-Sartoux
12h15	»	END

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SESSION 2 - THE GREEN NEIGHBOURHOOD, CITY & REGION

Just, green and productive: these three pillars combined contribute to the resilience of our cities and allow them to deal with social, economic and ecological challenges and to provide and guarantee a high quality of life.

With **GREEN**, we refer to a contribution of cities in combatting global warming and to high environmental quality regarding air, water, soil and land use. Therefore, cities must develop quality urban environments, including adequate accessibility to green and recreational spaces. The use of climate-neutral energy supply, renewable resources and carbon-neutral buildings will contribute to significantly reduce greenhouse gas emissions. Further, waste management, climate adaptation and coping with weather extremes are big tasks for cities, as well as the transition to multi-modal and low-carbon mobility systems for all.

In this session we will hear frontrunner cities that are yet on the right track. With a short input and a moderated discussion, representatives of Umeå (SE), Stuttgart Region (DE), Ghent (BE) and Wrocław (PL) show us their innovative approaches to **BE GREEN AND GET FIT FOR FUTURE!**

Moderator: Marcelline Bonneau, URBACT Programme Expert / Resilia Solutions

13h00	»	WELCOME WORDS OF THE MODERATOR
13h05	»	THE GREEN CITY – INTRODUCTION & LINK TO THE NEW LEIPZIG CHARTER Christian Huttenloher , Secretary General, German Association for Housing, Urban and Spatial Development
13h15	»	MODERATED DISCUSSION & INPUTS OF REPRESENTATIVES OF GOOD PRACTICES FROM ALL OVER EUROPE: SUSTAINABLE ÅLIDHEM IN UMEÅ Johan Sandstrom , City of Umeå Thomas Olofsson , Umeå University Albert Edman , Rise Research Institute STUTTGART REGION'S GREEN INFRASTRUCTURE AND CHALLENGES FOR FUNDING AND POLITICAL SUPPORT Thomas Kiwitt , Verband Region Stuttgart CAR FREE GHENT Merijn Gouweloose , City of Ghent NATURE BASED SOLUTIONS FOR HEAT AND FLOODING Malgorzata Bartyna-Zielinska , Sustainable Development Department, City of Wrocław
15h15	»	END

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SESSION 3 - THE **JUST** NEIGHBOURHOOD, CITY & REGION

Just, green and productive: these three pillars combined contribute to the resilience of our cities and allow them to deal with social, economic and ecological challenges and to provide and guarantee a high quality of life.

With **JUST**, we refer to a city that provides equal opportunities and environmental justice for all, regardless of gender, socioeconomic status, age and origin – leaving no one behind. A just city offers opportunities for everyone to fully participate in society. The challenges are to provide equal access to services of general interest, including social services, health care and culture as well as adequate, safe and affordable housing and energy supply. Further, socially balanced neighbourhoods promote integration and equal access to education. Lifelong learning empowers all ethnic and social groups to cope with fast changing labour markets, for example due to digitalization.

In this session we will hear frontrunner cities that are yet on the right track. With a short input and a moderated discussion, representatives of Brussels (BE), Athens (GR), Barcelona (ES) and Gdansk (PL) show us their innovative approaches to **BE JUST AND GET FIT FOR FUTURE!**

Moderator: Nils Scheffler, URBAN EXPERT

16h00	»	WELCOME WORDS OF THE MODERATOR
16h05	»	THE JUST CITY – INTRODUCTION & LINK TO THE NEW LEIPZIG CHARTER Heike Mages , Project Manager, German Association for Housing, Urban and Spatial Development
16h15	»	MODERATED DISCUSSION & INPUTS OF REPRESENTATIVES OF GOOD PRACTICES FROM ALL OVER EUROPE: CALICO: COMMUNITY LAND TRUST IN BRUSSELS Arthur Cady , Community Land Trust Brussels SYNATHINA: ONLINE PARTICIPATION Dina Ntziora & Haris Biskos , SynAthina, Athens HABITAT3: AFFORDABLE HOUSING FOR VULNERABLE PEOPLE Natalia Martínez , Hàbitat3, Barcelona SOCIAL INNOVATION AND INCLUSION Magdalena Skiba , City of Gdansk
18h15	»	END

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