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Editorial

Have you already signed up for the virtual Smart Cities Marketplace Forum on 9 and 10 June 2021?

If not, [here you can register for the event](#). The online event includes a public two-day conference with a mixture of high-level keynotes, plenaries, engaging workshop sessions and Action Cluster meetings to show that Smart Cities are a key factor regarding for example Clean Energy, the Mission on Climate-Neutral and Smart Cities, the Renovation Wave, and specific activities in Transport and Mobility as well as the digital solutions context. The Smart Cities Marketplace Matchmaking funnel provides matchmaking geared to specific needs of city administrations and informs about financial instruments. It helps Smart Cities Marketplace stakeholders to realise their plans and projects – the essence of the Smart Cities Marketplace's operation. This year's edition of the Forum will be an official partner event of the [EU Green Week](#). It will be linked to the EU Action Plan toward a Zero Pollution Ambition as a key action of the European Green Deal.

Your Smart Cities Marketplace team

Smart Cities Marketplace News

Explore, Shape & Deal: Experts in integrated planning took home the prize at our Smart City Matchmaking



The first Smart Cities Marketplace Matchmaking of 2021, in which experts from Action Clusters and Initiatives played a central role, was successfully completed with more than 200 participants, 86 bilateral meetings and pitches on inspiring project ideas from the Action Clusters.

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Explore, Shape & Deal: A Masterclass on smart cities: what have our signatories learnt?

Explore, Shape & Deal: The Stories



The Smart Cities Marketplace takes to the airwaves and is currently producing a number of podcasts. So, if you are interested in Smart Cities Investment, find out more about our Action Clusters & Initiatives and if you are all about EU Policies. Stay tuned to our @EUSmartCities twitter channel, where we will announce each of the podcasts as soon as they are ready for you.

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Explore: Help us help you



The Smart Cities Marketplace team would love to get your feedback on our website. Therefore, we have created a VERY short survey to take in your views – these will guide further development of the platform.

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News from the Action Clusters of the Smart Cities Marketplace

Explore: New initiative Pre-Commercial Procurement comes with 7 M EUR

The Pre-Commercial-Procurement (PCP) initiative aims to increase the awareness of benefits and processes of PCP. Capitalising on project procuRE, this initiative does not only allow interested parties to receive information about how PCP works but invites Cities and solution providers alike to learn by participating in real projects for which funds are available. The kick-off meeting will take place during the Smart Cities Marketplace forum on 10 June.



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Explore & Shape: Citizen engagement reconnecting the dots

As we slowly try to recover from a long pandemic period and the economic crisis it has triggered, it becomes increasingly urgent to work for a more sustainable future addressing both socio-economic and environmental challenges. Join the discussion of the Citizen Focus Action Cluster Meeting taking place as part of the Smart Cities Marketplace forum on 10th of June.

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Beyond the Smart Cities Marketplace

Explore & Shape: Smart City Privacy: Enhancing Collaborative Transparency in the Regulatory Ecosystem (SPECTRE)



The SPECTRE research project investigates data governance challenges in smart cities through the lenses of law, communication science and economics as part of a four-year project. The interdisciplinary nature of the project offers the possibility to develop legally sound, sustainable, and realistic guidelines with respect to data governance in the context of the smart city.

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Explore & Shape: Proposal for a European Interoperability Framework for Smart Cities & Communities welcomes stakeholder consultation



Acknowledging the importance of interoperability for the well-being of the inhabitants and entities of European cities, Deloitte and KU Leuven University have developed a proposal for the European Interoperability Framework for Smart Cities / Communities (EIF4SCC). Have your say and take part in the survey!

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Explore & Shape: New fact sheets reveal lessons learned from recent CIVITAS research projects



A new series of fact sheets set out the key takeaways from six concluded CIVITAS research projects: Cities-4-People, METAMORPHOSIS, Mobility Urban Values (MUV), PROSPERITY, SUITS, and SUMPs-Up. These formed two clusters: the first clusters looked at neighbourhood mobility planning, whilst the second worked on Sustainable Urban Mobility Plans (SUMPs).

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Explore & Shape: EERA's feedback on the EU Commission's Roadmap



Bringing forward key comments and recommendations for developing the new European Research Area (ERA), EERA submitted its contribution to the European Commission's Roadmap for the Pact for Research and Innovation in Europe. Implemented within the framework of the new European Research Area (ERA), the Pact for Research and Innovation in Europe sets out commonly agreed values and principles, aiming at encouraging EU countries to reaffirm their commitment and to integrate them into national R&I policies.

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Smart City Projects News

Explore: REPLICATE Final Conference was celebrated in March

After 5 years of hard work among the 38 partners, REPLICATE project has come to an end. The final conference was a great opportunity to present the achievements of the project that started in February 2016 and has ended in January 2021. Around 100 people from several European countries joined the event and had the chance to learn more about the results and impacts of REPLICATE project during these 5 years.



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Explore: POCITYF - The cultural heritage challenges a sustainable future

Several heritage organisations reacted to the fact that protected sites do not play an important role in the EU Green Deal's strategy against climate change, even though historic buildings represent a significant share of the stock in Europe.



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Explore: Smart City projects mySMARTLife, MAKING-CITY, POCITYF, MatchUP and STARDUST introduce their exploitable results in a webinar series

This seminar series aims to inform the public as well as interested stakeholders, and local authorities interested in the specific solutions presented in mySMARTLife and the European smart city projects MAKING-CITY, POCITYF, MatchUP and STARDUST.



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Events

Explore: EU Green Week 2021

The European Green Week 2021 will be dedicated to the 'zero pollution ambition'. It will be an opportunity to engage with all stakeholders and interested citizens on how we can work together to make the ambition for a zero pollution and toxic-free environment reality. The Smart Cities Marketplace will take part in the EU Green with a booth in the exhibition area. Additionally,

Georg Houben, Policy Officer DG Energy will present the Smart Cities Marketplace during a networking session on 2 June 14:00-14:30 CEST.



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Explore: Popular objectives, controversial measures

The Lighthouse Project 'IRIS Smart Cities' will join the Green Week as a showcase from the Lighthouse community in how to implement measures with support from the citizens, even if those citizens are at first reluctant to fully engage. Based on work in the project to addressing and sharing insights from the ground, the project will join a session on 'Popular objectives, controversial measures'.



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Explore: URBIS SMART CITY FAIR

The URBIS Smart City Fair brings a smart combination of a trade fair and an exclusive conference programme, where leaders in the field of Smart City will be introduced. For two days dozens of representatives of Central European cities and municipalities and leaders in innovations will meet with one goal – to share experience, ideas, and examples of specific solutions on how to correctly develop a Smart City concept in cities. The Smart Cities Marketplace will take part with a shared booth with SCALE to present the Marketplace and all H2020 Lighthouse Projects.



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Explore, Shape & Deal: Smart Cities Marketplace Forum

Join the Smart Cities Marketplace biggest annual event, the Forum (former General Assembly). This year's two-day virtual conference will be an official partner event of the EU Green Week. It will be linked to the EU Action Plan toward a Zero Pollution Ambition as a key action of the European Green Deal. Look forward to an engaging Keynote speech by Kadri Simson, European Commissioner for Energy, high level plenary sessions and engaging parallel sessions.



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Explore: Covenant of Mayors Investment Forum

The Covenant of Mayors (CoM) Investment Forum – Energy Efficiency Finance Market Place will be jointly organised by the European Commissions' DG for Energy, DG for Climate Action and the Executive Agency for small and Medium-sized Enterprises (EASME). It will focus on showcasing successful projects on financing energy efficiency, climate adaptation, clean mobility, and innovative energy planning. The Smart Cities Marketplace will be hosting the session: 'ESCOs as a key tool in achieving energy efficiency targets for Europe' on 15 June at 17:00 CEST.



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