

#SCEWC19: URBACT Open Dialogue

2019 November 19th | Fira de Barcelona

Presentation

Smart City Expo World Congress (SCEWC)

Smart City Expo World Congress exists in order to empower cities and collectivize urban innovation across the globe. Through promoting social innovation, establishing partnerships and identifying business opportunities, the event is dedicated to creating a better future for cities and their citizens worldwide.

As the world's leading event for cities, Smart City Expo World Congress provides a unique meeting spot for smart city sectors and an innovative platform for urban action worldwide.

The event is based around the values of social inclusion and empowerment and is dedicated to promoting awareness, understanding and critical reflection between inhabitants of different cities worldwide, all in a climate of mutual respect and caring. Sustainability is a top priority, with the Towards Zero Waste initiative aiming to reduce waste and increase efficient use of resources across the event.

URBACT

URBACT is a European exchange and learning programme promoting sustainable urban development.

The programme enable cities to work together to develop solutions to major urban challenges, reaffirming the key role they play in facing increasingly complex societal changes.

We help cities to develop pragmatic solutions that are new and sustainable, and that integrate economic, social and environmental dimensions.

URBACT Open Dialogue at #SCEWC19

The URBACT session at #SCEWC19 will take place November 19th consisting in a 1 hour and 45 minutes open event (from 17.15 to 19.00) focused on the presentation on the results of the

different URBACT networks, learning and results obtained through this programme of 15 years of experience.

We will have representatives from Spanish National Authority and National URBACT Point (NUP), URBACT cities coming from different countries of Europe (elected representatives and civil servants), and other NUP representatives.

The aim of the event is presenting innovative solutions developed through URBACT from an international perspective. An open dialogue to share experiences, ideas, projects, etc. with other cities, public and participants in the #SCEWC19

Contents

The event will be structured through URBACT's 2 main strands of activities:

1. TRANSNATIONAL EXCHANGE & LEARNING: Presenting the different types of URBACT networks
2. CAPACITY-BUILDING: How URBACT develops tools and trainings to improve cities' urban policies, focusing in the results

For each of these 2 sections, there will be 2 different kind of URBACT profiles intervening: URBACT cities' representatives and National URBACT Points' responsables coming from other countries.

Language

The whole session will be in English without simultaneous translation

Agenda

17.15-17.30 What's URBACT Explaining what is URBACT and what can do for your city Iñigo Enríquez, Ministry of Finance- National Authority

17.30-18.30 URBACT's transnational exchange & learning Dialogue with representatives of European cities participating in the Action Planning Networks (APN), Implementation Networks (IN) and Transfer Networks (TN) Retailink APN: Patricia Illa, City Councillor of Igualada

VIP row: Brigitta Kása and Ágnes Kovácsné (Nyíregyháza, Hungary), Eva Malinová and Hana Svobodová (Pardubice, Czech Republic), Isabel Tomé (Barcelona Metropolitan Area)

URBInclusion IN: Vasilena Mitsiadi, Deputy Major of Trikala (Greece)

Innovato-r TN: Józsa Tamás, Head of the Strategic department of Veszprém (Hungary)

18.30-18.45 URBACT capacity-building How URBACT is helping cities around Europe to boost and improve Sustainable Urban Development policies. Maria Papoutsis, National URBACT Point (Greece-Cyprus)

18.45-19.00 Final debate Q&A Speakers + audience
Open debate with the audience Moderated by Jon Aguirre, Spanish NUP

Practical information

- 📍 When? November 19th, from 17.15 to 19.00 (1 hour and 45 minutes)
- 📍 Where? Fira de Barcelona, South Agora (Av. Joan Carles I, 64, L'Hospitalet de Llobregat, Barcelona)
- 📍 How to get there? Check it out here: <http://www.smartcityexpo.com/en/the-event/practical-information>

