

Programa Operacional Regional do Centro

FIN-URB-ACT Meeting Cities and MA

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How is Mais Centro involved in the FIN-URB-ACT Project?

- Official member of the local support group (ULSG)
- Takes an active part in the ULSG meetings at local level (9 meetings)
- Actively participated in two local seminars (2009 and 2010)
- Takes an active part in transnational project meetings (4 international seminars)
- Mais Centro is involved in the production of the LAP
- Mais Centro is going to approve funding for part of the LAP



Most Useful Results of our Cooperation with FIN-URB-ACT Project

- Networking with local authorities and actors (municipalities, university, incubators, professional schools, industrial and commercial local associations, banks, business angels, etc.)
- Better understanding of local authorities and actors' challenges, priorities, etc.
- Exchange of experience and learning from good international practices (both urban policies and MA practices)



Most Useful inputs for urban development instruments in Mais Centro

- Better understanding of integrated sustainable urban policies
- Advice on how to allocate funds in OP
- Advice on how to build next OP
 - Urban sustainable development is going to be an important dimension
 - An integrated approach to urban development



The Future...

- Formal cooperation among the different entities involved in the ULSG – Protocol
- Local Action Plan ("Aveiro Empreendedor")
- Project submitted to Mais Centro to finance the activities identified as priorities

