

Efficiency of government Urban policies to improve Resource Efficiency

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Three years ago, we were in the beautiful city of Santiago de Compostela (Spain) to launch the EUREK project. From that time we have come across many interesting and reports on the European Urban Policy preparing several regional reports detailing the state of urban environmental policy instruments in our territories, identifying...
Believe officially getting started in the first phase of the project in a couple of days, we offer you a little advancement of our latest activities. We hope that inspiring you to follow us for another year, until the end of the project, on our journey towards improved environmental performance in EU urban spaces. Good night! You can read about the latest EUREK update and local activities also in your language thanks to the regional summaries.

IN EURE'S FOOTSTEPS

EURE insists on the role of small & medium cities

European policy makers, elected representatives of small and medium cities in Europe, and the EURE partners gathered in Valencia at the end of June to discuss on how to increase the participation of small and medium cities in the new European Urban Policy. Fernando's experience discussed during the event, for example related to the sustainable built environment, show that those cities have high potential to move from an urban life to a more humane life.



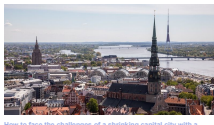
Inspiring visit to Nicosia for the EURE partners
Waste management and innovative urban development projects in Cyprus were at the heart of the 9th EUREK visit of the region of Andalusia, the 10th of the country. The agenda included a thematic session on the 10th anniversary of the meeting of the ministers of the Council of Ministers in the city of Nicosia. The visit was part of several projects that are being developed to bring positive changes to the current urban environment, especially in Nicosia.



Discover the EURE Action Plans
Exploring the lessons learnt and the heritage of experience at work since the beginning of the project, each EUREK partner prepared an Action Plan for its territory. This learning includes actions that will be carried out to improve local policy instruments and enhance the sustainability of their urban development strategies and support the governance of their urban activities like waste management, water treatment and recycling.

BEHIND EURE

The "Other Capital" and its priorities for urban development
With its "Integrated Urban Development Strategy" Alba Lulia aims to become a "more humane city". This strategy defines the framework to assess the implementation of a coherent set of integrated activities of community-specific development sectors. It sets priorities such as smart, sustainable, and inclusive economic growth, sustainable urban based on the rich cultural heritage, reducing pollution and increasing energy efficiency.



How to face the challenge of a thriving capital city with a growing metropolitan area on its periphery?
Riga recently has the urban and suburban areas of Latvia, wants to move them to the center of the country's population, but also a region which is the main driving force of the Latvian economy. This is one of the biggest challenges that planning cities with the growing metropolitan areas experience. Solving these requires a close collaboration amongst the right and stakeholders to coordinate economic development and the development of the city and its periphery. This is the mission of the "Other Capital" - Alba Lulia. This is the possibility to increase support for the implementation of green infrastructure solutions in Riga urban environment.



Energy transition and its impact on local authorities in Brittany
To succeed in its vital energy transition, the region of Brittany must be working on 3 main axes: the development of renewable energies, the control of consumption, and the reinforcement of networks. The idea was to visit together the different stakeholders of the energy transition and transmit locally through "Climate and Energy Transition Plans" which Brittany promotes through a regional network.

AROUND EURE

OREN to support sustainable rural development

The role of rural areas for the prosperity of the European Union is widely acknowledged. Meanwhile, rural areas tend to lose their position and opportunities in an increasingly urbanizing world. The OREN project decided to tackle this issue by involving rural entrepreneurs in an interactive multi-stakeholder learning platform, which will train the participants in advanced managerial and business skills. Partners are currently working on understanding both the origin and development of good business practices in rural areas and the factors that influence the conversion of starting businesses into successfully established ones. A survey, aiming at analyzing the main business and the skills needed to foster a rural business, is currently available in English, French and Dutch.



EU regions in the transformation towards a climate-neutral future
What are the requirements and goals for successful transformation towards a climate-neutral future in regions level in the EU? Based on the analysis of regional best practice examples across the EU, the key drivers, conditions and instruments for a successful transformation have been identified in a study for the European Parliament. The project results in the formulation of specific policy recommendations for EU decision-makers in the field of supporting the EU regions in achieving the goals of climate neutrality.

EURE NEVER STOPS...

Once back from the summer break, we will start another phase of the EUREK project by getting back to our Action Plans and bringing concrete changes to our policy instruments. The Action Plans, one per territory, are a result of the learning process and the exchange of experiences activities. They establish schemes to transfer the lessons learnt to our local policy instruments and ensure the governance of key urban activities on our territories like waste management, water treatment and recycling. This is the last document that we are working on. If you would like to follow our activities until the end of the project, we are glad to keep you on our website and follow @EUREKmeeting on Twitter!



The EUREK project: Efficiency of government Urban policies to improve Resource Efficiency, promotes the exchange of experiences and to improve the environmental performance of EU urban cities, involving the stakeholders with the appropriate model. Project website: www.eurekmeeting.com

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