Join JPI Urban Europe in Brussels
29-31 May 2017!

Join urban practitioners and policymakers, researchers, European institutions and organisations and Urban Europe’s partners to discuss how to achieve urban transitions by enhancing the impacts of urban research and innovation investments, scaling up solutions and broadening stakeholder engagement. Take part in a discussion where the latest research results from JPI Urban Europe projects and the long-term strategy of JPI Urban Europe are reflected against international urban policies and strategies. Learn more about how public authorities can act as transformation agents, catalysing change by cooperating with researchers, business and social innovators.

Save the date 29th to 30th May for two open events and 31st May for the JPI Urban Europe Projects Meeting.

Events 29-31 May

Policy conference:
Engaging for impact – the next step in urban transformation

Why is it so difficult to speed up urban transition? Using the Global Sustainable Development Goals and the EU Urban Agenda as a starting point, we will discuss urban challenges and the role of research and innovation in transitioning European cities. Mayors from European cities will reflect on their current challenges and results from JPI Urban Europe funded projects will be presented. The long-term strategy of JPI Urban Europe will be reflected against international urban policies and strategies.

Target groups: Policy makers, research community, urban practitioners, experts from cities and regions, Member States, Brussel-based urban networks and European Institutions.

The event is co-hosted by the European Committee of the Regions, the European Commission and JPI Urban Europe.

Following the conference there will be an evening networking event.

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Stakeholder seminar and brokerage event
– Making cities work

Public sector as transformation agent
How can the public sector act as transformation agent, catalysing change by cooperating with researchers, business and social innovators? How can cities apply knowledge gained in testbeds and innovation projects in their own organisations and the city at large? The seminar will showcase learning examples from European cities and invite participants to influence implementation of the JPI Urban Europe strategic research and innovation agenda.

Break-out sessions target five topics:
• Public sector as a transformation agent
• Cities as urban data laboratories
• Enhancing impact and scaling up solutions
• Social innovation and social entrepreneurship in the circular economy
• Sustainable accessibility

Target groups: Urban policy makers and practitioners from public and private sector on city level, researchers.

Brokerage event
City representatives, business actors, researchers and NGO's are invited to discuss major European city challenges and how to solve them. Help influence the call for Innovation Projects that JPI Urban Europe will launch in November 2017: Joint Innovation Action Making cities work supporting research-based innovation solutions in cities.

Target groups: Representatives from cities, industry and researchers.
The event is hosted by JPI Urban Europe.

Projects meeting III
This meeting is for all research and innovation projects funded in Urban Europe’s first four calls, funding agencies involved in the calls and the JPI Urban Europe community. Meet and share knowledge, present project results, engage in strategic discussions and find partners for future cooperation. A separate invitation will be sent out for this event (invitation only).

The event is hosted by the European Commission and JPI Urban Europe.

Invitation and registration
More information about the events including detailed programs for all days will be available on the JPI Urban Europe website end of March. Formal invitations will be sent out March 29.

Registration opens March 29 and closes May 15. Registration for JPI Urban Europe Projects meeting III opens March 13 and closes April 15.

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