



Cluster Pilot on Digital innovation for sustainable cities

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 Coordinators' & Action Leaders' Meeting



Frame: Digital innovation in cities was highlighted by the Finnish Presidency

Outcomes from and activities forward by the Presidency

1. **Comprehensive Conclusions on digital innovation in cities**
2. **Declaration ‘Joining Forces to Boost Digital Transformation in Europe’s Cities and Communities’; Support to the process**
3. **Suggested work stream on Digital Innovation for Sustainable cities within the Urban Agenda**
4. **Involvement to development of European policy instruments as support to digital transformation**



Digital Innovation for Sustainable Cities: Outline for cross-thematic Cluster Pilot

- Achieving the goal of sustainable and carbon-neutral urban development is, to large extend, dependent on the full utilization of digital opportunities in cities
- **The idea** of the Cluster Pilot is to gather relevant TP Coordinators and Action Leaders to identify common issues on digitalization
- The Cluster Pilot aims at going to the practice and to focus on a specific theme. The pilot feeds into the evolution of the general model of clusters within the UAEU. Pilot will be fitted into the HR PRES framework for clusters.
- **Series of 3** workshops / 'cluster labs' planned to animate the pilot. Expertise will be attached to support the implementation of the Pilot, related to analysis, content and facilitation.
- Funding for the pilot is reserved from FI, covering the majority of expenses. Travel costs, instead will be covered by the participants themselves.
- The HR Pres, the upcoming DE Pres and upcoming SI Pres (as initiator of the Green City Cluster) will be invited for the pilot. For other key players, DG Regio and DG Connect and EUROCIITIES will be engaged.



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