



## Action:

Promote **Urban Resource Centres** for waste prevention, re-use and recycling

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# Which action is needed?

## Phase 1 – Research/Classification



- Conduct a classification study
- Deliver a final report with further recommendations with regards to the establishment and organization of “Urban Resource Centres”
- Disseminate findings from classification

## Phase 2 - Establish knowledge exchange platform



- Establish a city network for Urban resource centres
- Establish a Peer-to-Peer exchanges

## Phase 3 – Ensure a sustainable organization and continuous work on the topic



- Address financial and legislative barriers
- Develop a sustainable business model for Urban Resource Centres





# Classification

- 10 respondents to the call for cases
- 8 centres interviewed
- Draft version of the classification ready by mid-October



## Centres in the classification:

- The Goldmine (Copenhagen)
- Mini-recycling stations (Oslo)
- Vollebekk fabrikker (Oslo)
- Alelyckan (Gothenburg)
- Rlab (Porto)
- OPO'Lab (Porto)
- De Kringloopwinkel (Flanders)
- Halle 2 (Munich)



## In dialogue:

- 48er Tandler, Vienna
- Ríu, Marche – Region in Italy





# Questions to be reflected upon

- **How is the involvement of the Partners?**

- Regular updates on the process by email
- Should start up with phone-meetings on a regular basis
- The Working Group consists of:
  - The Hague
  - Porto
  - Greece
  - CEMR

External Stakeholders:

- RREUSE

- **Main challenges in the implementation phase?**

- Finding the right platform to establish a network and disseminate information about the classification
- Get relevant cities engaged and willing to participate in a network and enable Peer-to-Peer exchanges on a regular basis





# Questions to be reflected upon

## What are the benefits of establishing a network?

- A opportunity to address common barriers at the EU-level
- Have a network to discuss and learn more about experience barriers, local adaptations and success factors.
- Practical peer-to-peer exchange of best practice

## Who should be involved?

- Cities and stakeholders working actively with waste prevention, re-use and recycling through so-called Urban Resource Centres.
- Cities with experience on this field, and/or ambitions to establish these centres.





# Questions to be reflected upon

## How to ensure a stable progress of this action?

- Organize workshop/seminar to get an active working group.
  - Succeed in creating engagement and commitment to a city network addressing this topic.
  - Keep to the timeline set up for the implementation phases
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- **Which possibilities are available for financing of the action?**
    - Opportunities to get direct funding to the establishment of these centres?
    - URBACT Networks
    - Other opportunities?
  - **Questions?**





# Questions for the Partnership

- Will you be interested to join a network addressing this?
  - Should it be only cities participating or both associations, MS and EU institutions?
- Suggestions to other cities/stakeholders that should be invited to join the workshop?
- What could be programs or initiatives who could assist in the implementation of this action and host the network?

