



Experience exchange on Inclusive Urban Planning

- *Do you want to continue the dialogue with us?*

About the work in Gothenburg

Equal Gothenburg - Making the entire city socially sustainable is the name given to our long-term initiative linked to the ambition of Gothenburg becoming an equal city. The initiative influences all the processes and activities happening in Gothenburg.

We put great emphasis in developing our city in dialogue with the citizens. Residents are experts in their own habitats, they should be given the opportunity to influence and participate in the development of their city districts, meaning the houses as well as the neighborhoods. The neighborhoods are extremely important to people's well-being. Public places need to be safe and appealing, but also provide space for recreation and meetings.

In addition to this, we are also working hard with new methods and models, with site-creating activities, as well as testing new working methods when it comes to safety. Something we do in cooperation with the local police and the community.

Our plan for the upcoming five years

As the creation of a more cohesive city is integrated in the urban planning process, we hope to see several changes within the upcoming five years. The housing plan called BoStad2021 is one tool for speeding up the process of building new affordable, attractive and functional houses. The target is 7,000 completed homes by 2021, in addition to regular housing production.

An important goal is to build a less segregated city with urban districts that can serve as a living space for all citizens. This can be accomplished by combining different forms of housing types and cost levels throughout the city. We also need to complement the districts with social services - such as access to health care and child care for example. In the plans for the new central city district by the river, Frihamnen, a model has been developed to create a social mix in the district from the beginning.

Increased knowledge and experience exchange

Equally and socially sustainable urban development are complex issues that require patience and long-term thinking. We hope that the seminar in Brussels has given an increased knowledge on our work and what can be achieved. But we

would like to continue the exchange of experiences. Please contact us if you would like to know more about our work or discuss future exchanges.

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