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PARTNERSHIP ON URBAN POVERTY

what?

The partnership on urban poverty will formulate concrete proposals for better regulation, funding and knowledge. These proposals are contributions to the design and revision of existing and future EU legislation, instruments and initiatives. They are also incentives to strengthen integrated national, regional and local urban poverty policies. The partnership has identified two priorities: the fight against child poverty and regeneration of deprived neighbourhoods.

The Partnership on Urban Poverty brings together Member States (France, Belgium, Germany, Spain, Greece), cities (Lille, Kortrijk, Birmingham, Łódź, Timişoara, Daugavpils, Keratsini-Drapetsona), regions (Brussels-Capital, Ile-de-France), experts (URBACT, EUKN, EAPN), observers (UN Habitat, FEANTSA, Eurochild) and the European Commission.

120 million people, nearly a quarter of the EU population, were at risk of poverty or social exclusion in 2014. 27% of these people are children and 10% of Europeans live in a household where no one has a job. The majority of EU policies have a direct impact on urban areas and cities, there is a clear need to consider the urban dimension in policy making at all levels of governance. Cities must be involved.

The Partnership acts on the causes and effects of urban poverty and follows a people-oriented and place-based approach. The identification of action areas will be followed by an Action Plan scheduled for 2017. Its implementation will take place in the upcoming 3 years. The actions will lead to active inclusion of the poor and regeneration of deprived neighbourhoods.



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The Urban Agenda for the EU is a joint initiative of the European **Commission, Member States, cities** and other relevant stakeholders to address urban challenges



