URBAN AGENDA FOR THE EU

WORKING TOGETHER FOR BETTER CITIES

70% EU CITIZENS living in cities
~70% EU LEGISLATION implemented by cities
~70% JOBS created in cities
85% EU GDP generated in cities

OBJECTIVES

BETTER REGULATION
BETTER FUNDING
BETTER KNOWLEDGE

KEY PRINCIPLES

Multi-level governance
Partnership working method
Integrated approach
Sustainable urban development
United Nations goals
Functional urban areas
Urban-rural linkages
Cities of all sizes
12 PRIORITY THEMES

- Partnerships which already started
  - Integration of Migrants & Refugees
  - Air Quality
  - Housing
  - Urban Poverty
  - Circular Economy
  - Climate Adaptation
  - Energy Transition
  - Urban Mobility
  - Digital Transition
  - Public Procurement
  - Jobs & Skills in Local Economy
  - Sustainable Use of Land and Nature-Based Solutions

**Partnerships**

**Action Plans**
- Composition: European Commission, Member States, cities, stakeholders
- For each Priority Theme
- Preparatory Phase
- Implementation Phase

"The Commission will play an active role and continue facilitating the implementation of the Urban Agenda"

**Some of the EU Funds Available (2014-2020)**
- **ERDF**
  - > €100B spent in cities
  - Out of which €15B managed by cities directly

- **EIB**
  - €1.5B to sustainable urban development

- **ESF**
  - €96M for network of cities

- **URBACT**
  - €370M to experiment innovative ideas

**Other EU Funds**
- Horizon 2020, Smart Cities, Life...

*Most of the actions will be about policy improvements and will not require funding*

**Timeline**
- Pact of Amsterdam
- General Affairs Council conclusions
- 30 May
- 21 June
- European Week of Regions and Cities
- End 2016
- Summer 2017
- Launch of further Partnerships One-stop-shop online
- 2017
- Cities Forum Report by the Commission
- Launch of the remaining Partnerships

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