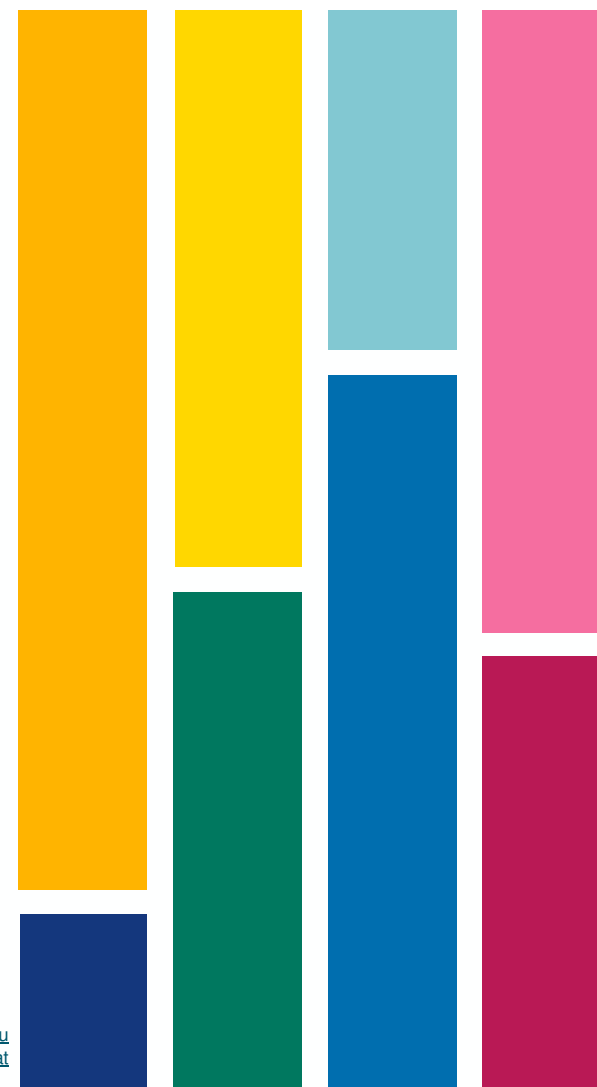




Eurocities Knowledge Society Forum background, experience and activities

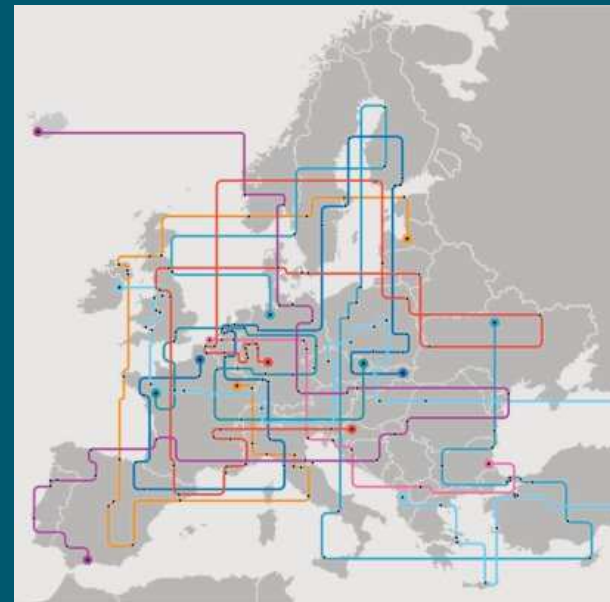
3rd EUDIGIT Webinar – 16 December 2021, 14:00
The importance of digitalization in European and extra-European Programmes and networks

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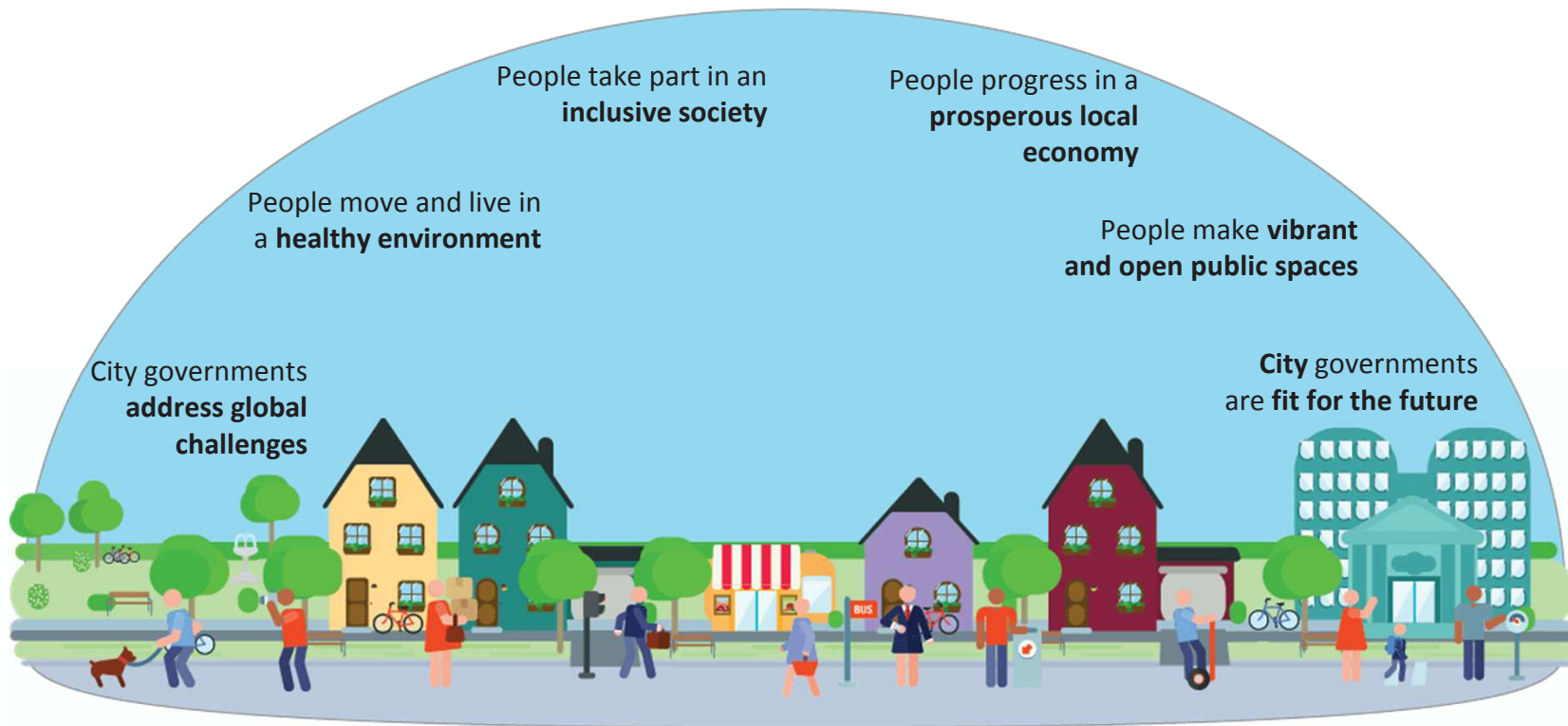


Eurocities The European network of cities

- **Political** platform for **mayors** and **leaders**
- Connecting **200+** **cities** across **38 Countries**
- Representing over **135 million people**



“Eurocities is the leading network of major European cities, working together to ensure a good quality of life for all”



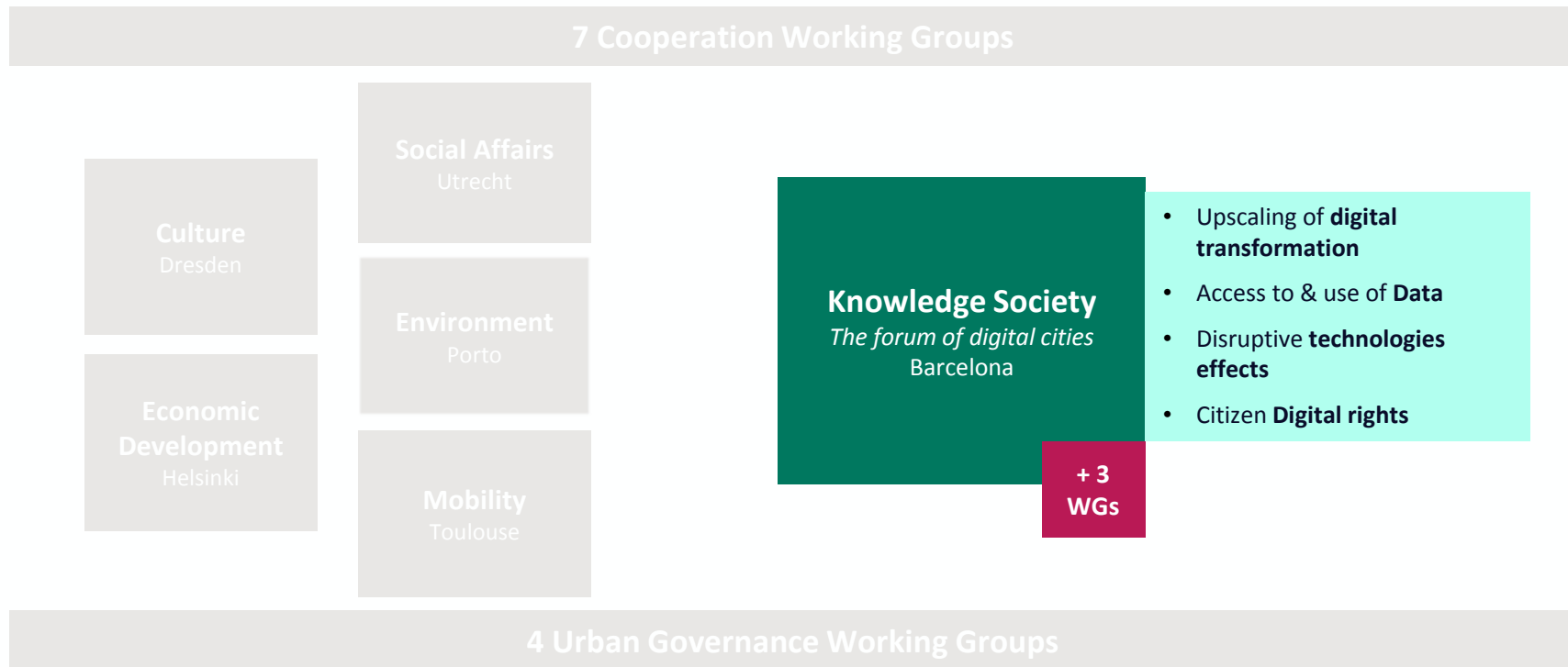
Eurocities Forums, Working Groups & Projects

7 Cooperation Working Groups



4 Urban Governance Working Groups

Eurocities Forums, Working Groups & Projects



Eurocities Knowledge Society Forum

2020 - 2022



- Steering Committee
- Working Groups
- Task Forces
- Community of Practice
- Annual event (Madrid, September 2022)
- Collaborative projects
- EU funding

Eurocities KSF lines of work

- Political action
 - EU Advocacy
- Collective intelligence
 - Knowledge building and sharing
 - Projects
- Exchanges of good practices
 - Capacity building
 - Projects and collaborations
- EU Funding
 - projects

Selected statements



Better Business to Government (B2G) data sharing that works for cities and people

<https://eurocities.eu/wp-content/uploads/2021/08/EUROCITIES-statement-on-B2G-data-sharing.pdf>



People-centred Artificial Intelligence (AI) in cities
Response to EU's white paper on AI

https://eurocities.eu/wp-content/uploads/2020/08/EUROCITIES_statement_on_AI_final.pdf



The fifth generation of telecommunications system (5G) deployment in cities
June 2020

https://eurocities.eu/wp-content/uploads/2020/08/EUROCITIES_statement_on_5G.pdf



Eurocities KSF Thematic focus

- Emerging technologies
 - EU Agenda: Artificial Intelligence Act
 - EU Agenda: Data Strategy
 - EU Agenda: 5G roll-out
- Digital inclusion
 - EU Agenda: Digital Decade
 - EU Agenda: Digital Education Plan

Eurocities KSF Digital inclusion

- **CitiMeasure**

Using citizen measurement to create smart, sustainable, and inclusive cities.



- **UserCentriCities**

Local implementation of the e-governance principles Tallinn Declaration.



Eurocities KSF Digital inclusion

- **Smart City Expo World Congress**

Bordeaux, Barcelona, EP, CIDOB & Medici project – addressing the digital divide

- **Annual Forum meeting**

Rennes 2021: ‘Building trust with citizens’ – Data platforms and citizen engagement



SMARTCITY
EXPO WORLD CONGRESS

THE EVENT ▾ | EXHIBIT ▾ | PROGRAM ▾ | CALLS ▾

Ensuring Digital Inclusive Cities in the Post-covid 19 Era

LIVING & INCLUSION

<https://www.smartcityexpo.com/agenda/%e2%80%8bensuring-digital-inclusive-cities-in-the-post-covid-19-era/>



<https://hopin.com/events/eurocities-knowledge-society-forum-meeting>

Eurocities KSF Digital inclusion

- **Citizen data principles & ‘Data, People, Cities’**

Recognising data generated by citizens as a valuable public asset while preserving and reinforcing citizens’ rights.

- **Cities Coalition for Digital Rights**

To protect and uphold digital rights at the local and global level, on access, transparency, skills and data privacy



https://eurocities.eu/wp-content/uploads/2020/08/Data_people_cities_-_EUROCITIES_citizen_data_principles_in_action.pdf

Cities for Digital Rights

To protect and uphold digital rights at the local and global level

<https://citiesfordigitalrights.org/about-declaration>



Eurocities KSF Digital inclusion

- **Living-in.EU initiative**

Digital solutions to create places where people enjoy living and working, 'the European way'.

LIVING-IN.EU

JOIN,
BOOST,
SUSTAIN

<https://living-in.eu/declaration>

- **(Youth) employment and digital skills**

Cross-collaborations with Eurocities' Forums on Social Affairs, Economic Development, and Environment.



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Policy transfer on measures to tackle youth unemployment



Eurocities KSF get involved

- As a member of a working group
- As a member of a task force
- As a member of a Community of Practice
- Working and sharing in the collaboration platform
- Through a Lab project
- Proposing projects in an Open Mic session
- Attending events

Eurocities KSF in short

- Cities help cities
- We learn from each other
- We share challenges and solutions
- We build knowledge together
- We grow together
- We advocate for more cities competences and EU funding
- We advocate for the role of cities in building back better

Thank you!

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