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Advancing Climate Action for 2030



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06.05.2025-Day 1
08:00 - 09:00

Registration

09:00-10:30

 Opening: Celebrating Mission Cities' Successes
- *Plenary Room*
10:30-11:00

Coffee Break

11:00-12:30

Breakout Sessions

12:30-14:00

Lunch

14:00-15:30

Breakout Sessions

15:30-16:00

Coffee Break

16:00-17:00

 Advancing Climate Action Locally: Policy, Investment, and Partnership - *Plenary Room*
17:00

 Drinks - *Onsite*
07.05.2025-Day 2
08:00 - 09:00

Registration

09:00-10:00

 The Baltic View: A Regional Perspective on Energy Transition, Innovation, and Shared Governance
- *Plenary Room*
10:00-10:30

 Mission Label Ceremony
- *Plenary Room*
10:30-11:00

Coffee Break

11:00-12:30

Breakout Sessions

12:30-14:00

Lunch

14:00-15:30

Breakout Sessions

15:30-16:00

Coffee Break

16:00-17:00

 Financing the Future - *Plenary Room*
19:00

 Dinner - *The Palace of the Grand Dukes of Lithuania*
08.05.2025-Day 3
08:00 - 09:00

Registration

09:00-10:00

 What will it take? Strategic enablers for the 2030 transition - *Plenary Room*
10:00-11:00

 Building bridges across Europe - *Plenary Room*
11:00-11:30

Coffee Break

11:30-12:45

Breakout Sessions

12:45-14:15

Lunch

14:15-15:30

 Closing: From Dialogue to Shared Action - *Plenary Room*
15:30-17:30

Site Visits




TRACKS
Day 1 - 11:00-12:30
Day 1 - 14:00-15:30
MEL

MEL-Driven Climate Action: Unlocking the Power of Co-Benefits for Cities - *Breakout Room 8 (5.1)*

Beyond Mitigation

Connecting the dots: data, reporting and policy - *Breakout Room 3*

Strengthening Climate Resilience Through Citizen-Powered Data - *Breakout Room 10 (5.6)*

Reflecting on methods, indicators and tools for inclusive and climate neutral cities for Nature-Based Solutions - *Plenary Room*

Democracy, SI & Social Change

All Hands on Deck: Building the Participation Infrastructure Cities Need Now - *Breakout Room 1*

From Local Experimentation to Urban Transformation: R&I Projects for Net-Zero - *Breakout Room 6 (5.3)*

The New European Bauhaus: Meaningful Community Engagement in Urban Transformation - *Breakout Room 9 (5.5)*

Partnerships & private sector

From Challenge to Change – The Outcomes of the ICC Project in Forging Successful City-Business Collaborations - *Breakout Room 10 (5.6)*

National Dialogue on Better Funding Part 1 (Closed Door) - *Breakout Room 7 (5.2)*

National Dialogue on Better Funding Part 2 (Closed Door) - *Breakout Room 7 (5.2)*

Finance

Overcoming Financing Challenges: Effective Approaches to Mobilise Resources for the Long-term Implementation of Climate Investment Plans - *Breakout Room 4*

Place based financing - overcoming value model gaps through multi-actor collaboration - *Breakout Room 9 (5.5)*

Governance, Policy & Regulation

Scaling up the Mission: How Climate City Contracts Drive Learning and Replication in National Platforms - *Breakout Room 2*

Strategic Public Procurement for Sustainable Cities: Driving Environmental Action and Stimulating Innovation - *Room 6 (5.3)*

Supporting All European Cities in Their Journey to Climate Neutrality: NetZeroCities Tools, Services, and Peer-learning Opportunities - *Breakout Room 4*

Peer learning

Piloting Systemic Approaches to Transformational Change: Learning from Implementation Part 1 - *Breakout Room 5*

Technology: Energy, Mobility

Positive Energy Districts (PEDs) – Outcomes, Challenges & Future Prospects - *Plenary Room*

Traffic and Transport Policies: Decarbonizing Urban Mobility - *Breakout Room 3*

City-Led Session: Good practices of Cities Aiming Towards Climate Neutral Heating and Cooling - *Breakout Room 5*

Ticket to Circularity: City Experiences Implementing Circular Economy in Public Transport - *Breakout Room 1*

City-Led Session: How to Reduce Emissions from Heavy Transport and the Logistics Sector? Case Studies from Cities - *Breakout Room 2*


TRACKS
Day 2 - 11:00-12:30
Day 2 - 14:00-15:30
MEL

Mission in Action: How Research Supports Cities in Achieving Climate-Neutral and Smart Futures - *Breakout Room 3*

Powering City Action through Climate Neutrality Tools and the Community of Practice - *Breakout Room 8 (5.1)*

Beyond Mitigation

Closing the Net-Zero Gap: Carbon Removal and BECCS in Cities - *Breakout Room 9 (5.5)*

Unlocking Investment for Nature-Based Climate Solutions: Bridging Finance, Policy and Governance for Scaled Impact - *Breakout Room 3*

Democracy, SI & Social Change

Be a Superhero for a Day: Building Stakeholder Trust for Regenerative Urban Transformations - *Breakout Room 6 (5.3)*

Energy Democracy Levering Climate Neutrality in Mission Cities - *Breakout Room 2*

Partnerships & private sector

City-Industry Dialogue - Part 1 (Closed door) - *Breakout Room 4*

City-Industry Dialogue - Part 2 (Closed Door) - *Breakout Room 4*

Mutual Learning Event on Engaging the SMEs in the Decarbonisation of Mission Cities - *Breakout Room 9 (5.5)*

Finance

Innovative Finance for Adaptation and Climate Resilience - *Plenary Room*

Funding Transition Pathways: Leveraging Policy & Regulation to Unlock Alternative Finance - *Breakout Room 1*

Governance, Policy & Regulation

National support for climate neutral and resilient cities: strengthening multilevel governance across European countries - *Breakout Room 2*

City-Led Session: Governance Innovation: Internal Transformation, Ecosystem Thinking & Regional Alignment - *Breakout Room 7 (5.2)*

Peer learning

Celebrating the Cities' Learning Journeys from the Twinning Learning Programme! - *Breakout Room 5*

Piloting Systemic Approaches to Transformational Change: Learning from Implementation Part 2 - *Breakout Room 5*

Urban Planning and Design for Climate Impact - *Breakout Room 8 (5.1)*

Open Space - *Breakout Room 6 (5.3)*

Technology: Energy, Mobility

Stakeholder's Dialogue: How Data-driven, AI and Smart City Solutions Can Support Climate-Neutral Cities - *Breakout Room 1*

Getting Things Done! Successful measures ready for replication in Mobility and Transport - *Plenary Room*

Energy Systems in Transition: Peer-to-Peer Cities Exchange - *Breakout Room 7 (5.2)*


TRACKS
Day 3 - 11:30- 12:45
MEL
What Can Cities Do About Scope 3 Emissions? - *Breakout Room 2*
Beyond Mitigation
When disaster strikes: dialogue on cities, resilience, safety, and security - *Breakout Room 6 (5.3)*
Democracy, SI & Social Change
Bridging Divides in Everyday Politics – Building the Relational Capacity and Collective Intelligence of Governance - *Breakout Room 7 (5.2)*
Partnerships & private sector
A League of Climate Champions - *Breakout Room 8 (5.1)*
City-Led Session: Governance of Climate Transition Collaboration with Private Sector - *Breakout Room 10 (5.6)*
Finance
“Multi-level Governance” in Practice: Aligning Public Funding at All Levels - *Plenary Room*
Scaling Up Climate Innovations in cities: Lessons learned from 10 years of Smart cities and Communities projects - *Breakout Room 9 (5.5)*
Governance, Policy & Regulation
Strategic Settings for City Transitions: Using Regulatory Sandboxes, Policy Labs & Studios to Achieve Mission Success - *Breakout Room 3*
Governance Innovation and Implementation: Building on Key Insights, Learnings and Good Practices in Four Critical Areas - *Breakout Room 1*
Peer learning
Bridging Borders for Climate Neutrality: Partnering Ukrainian Cities with EU Mission Cities - *Breakout Room 5*
Technology: Energy, Mobility
Building Resilient Public Transport Systems: Preparing for Future Shocks - *Breakout Room 4*

NetZeroCities' Stand



SLOTS

Day 1 - 6 May

Day 2 - 7 May

Day 3 - 8 May

SLOTS	Day 1 - 6 May	Day 2 - 7 May	Day 3 - 8 May
REGISTRATION	8:30 -9:00 Portal Orientation Session & Learning opportunities for all cities EUROCITIES	Portal Orientation Session & Learning opportunities for all cities EUROCITIES	Portal Orientation Session & Learning opportunities for all cities EUROCITIES
MORNING BREAK	10:30-11:00 Green Bonds to Finance Investment Plans Climate City Capital Hub	NetZeroPlanner Demo: Climate action planning in practice EUROCITIES	
	11:00-11:30		Showcase of case studies on social innovation UPM
LUNCH	12:30-13:00 Introduction to the role of standards in the EU Cities Mission ICLEI	Leveraging External Capital with City Funds Climate City Capital Hub	
	12:45-13:15		Seat at the Table - Climate Transition through PPPs Climate City Capital Hub
	13:30-14:00 Community of Practice Meet and Greet: Connecting Cities, the Private Sector, and Beyond ? EUROCITIES	Peer-learning opportunities at National and EU-level EUROCITIES	
	13:45-14:15		Discussion on MEL, reporting and co-benefits ICLEI
AFTERNOON BREAK	15:30-16:00 Walk-through of the Social Innovation Resources on the NZC Portal UPM	Opportunities for Cities beyond the Mission, featuring the Online Planning Lab! EUROCITIES & POLIMI	Circular economy and positive energy districts ICLEI & VTT