



# EUROCITIES' support to local energy leadership in European cities

Covenant of Mayors Cascade Green Digital Charter & NiCE

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#### **EUROCITIES**





A political platform for the mayors of Europe's most important cities



Founded in 1986, representing cities of over 250,000 inhabitants



140 full member cities in over 30 countries, representing 120m citizens

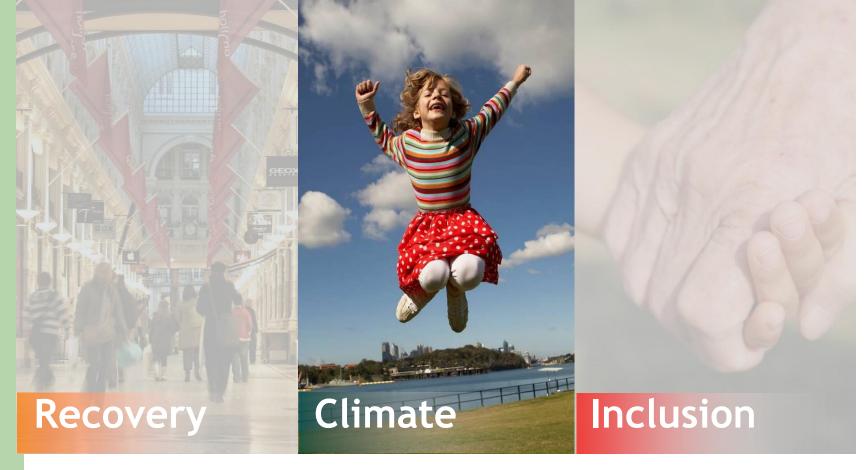


Italian member cities: Bologna, Cesena, Florence, Genoa, Milan, Naples, Palermo, Pisa, Rome, Salerno, Turin and Venice



# EU climate policies: a EUROCITIES priority







# EUROCITIES Working together



Influencing

Dialogue with EU Institutions

**Networking** 

 Sharing and improving knowledge between cities

Visibility

Collaborative projects



- ✓ Cascade
- ✓ NiCE





# Smart cities and communities brokerage event



When: Wednesday 11 July

Where: Brussels

 What: Information/exchange day on FP7 - Smart Cities call for proposals 2013

Who: EUROCITIES members

 Why: learn more about the new call; develop consortia; finetune project ideas

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# Covenant of Mayors

A commitment towards Europe's energy and climate policy

•Funding: DG ENER

Coordinator: Energy Cities

 Partners: EUROCITIES, Climate Alliance, CEMR, FEDARENE

• Duration: Jan. 2011 - Dec. 2013









Covenant





### Mayors voluntarily commit to...



Go beyond Europe's energy objectives for 2020 by reducing the CO<sub>2</sub> emissions in their territories by at least 20% through the implementation of sustainable energy action plans



- 4080 signatories
- 2054 Italian cities and provinces signatories

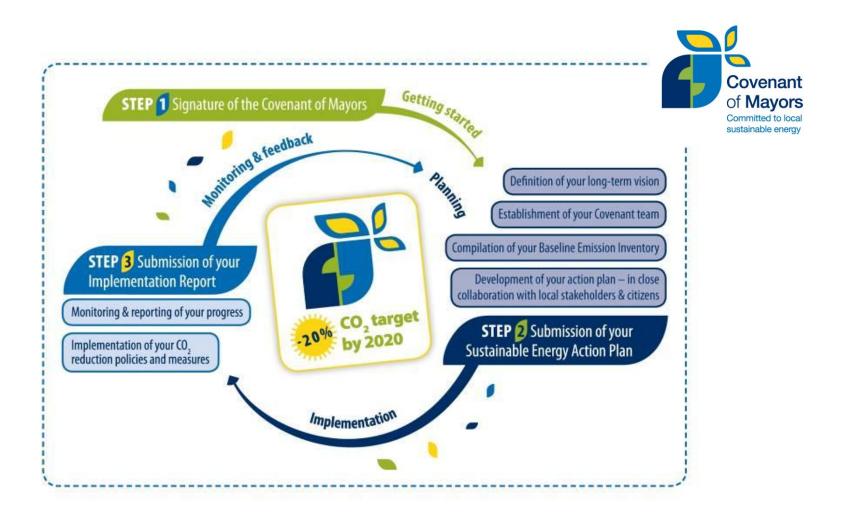


# Sustainable energy action plan (SEAP)



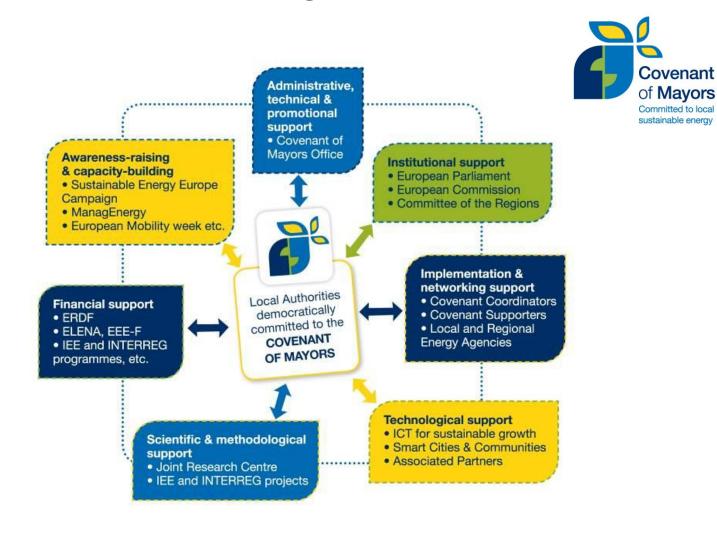


# Three steps to become a signatory





### What do cities get out of it?





#### Further information

#### www.eumayors.eu







#### Cascade

#### Cities exchanging on local energy leadership



Funding: Intelligent Energy Europe

Coordinator: EUROCITIES

• Expert partners: Wuppertal Institute (renewable

energy and distributed generation)

Koucky & Partner (energy in urban

transport)

City of Malmö (energy efficient

buildings and districts)

Partner cities: Amaroussion, Amsterdam,

Birmingham, Burgas, Edinburgh, Eindhoven, Gateshead, Genoa, Gijón, Malmo, Mannheim, Milan, Nantes, Stockholm, Sunderland, Tampere, Terrassa, Venice and

Warsaw.

Duration: June 2011 - May 2014









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### Project objectives





Burgas, Bulgaria

- Support cities to achieve European objectives on energy efficiency, renewable energy and reducing CO2 emissions by 2020
- Promote large-scale networking, mutual learning and best practice sharing activities
- Learn with and from each other about the design and implementation of sustainable energy projects

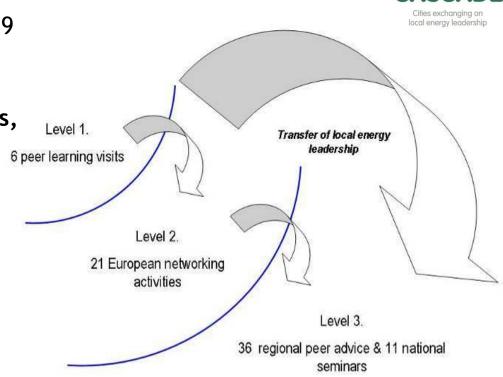


# 'Cascading' levels of networking and mutual learning

Level 1 (year 1) - In depth **peer learning** visits among 19 partner cities

Level 2 (year 2) - study tours, work shadowing and mentoring, 20 additional cities (mainly from new EU member states)

Level 3 (year 3) - national and regional networking across 11 member states





# Next steps: Cascade call for participation



- "Peer to peer exchanges" on implementing sustainable energy policies in European cities
- CASCADE project invites other cities in Europe to join the project's networking and mutual learning activities.
- Types of exchanges: study tours, mentoring visits, work shadowing
- Thematic areas: Energy efficient buildings and districts, renewable energy, urban transport
- Budget: contribution to the travel and accommodation costs of 20 selected cities to an average of 2000 € per city
- Launch of the call: 16 May
- Deadline: 10 July
- Activities to take place between October 2012 and December 2013



Milan, Italy





# Networking intelligent Cities for Energy efficiency

### Networking intelligent Cities for Energy Efficiency

• Funding: FP7

Coordinator: EUROCITIES

Partners: Clicks and Links

City of Manchester

Leibniz Institute of Ecological

Urban and Regional Development

SEVENTH FRAMEWORK PROGRAMME







• Duration: Sep 2011 - Feb 2014







# The Green Digital Charter CHART

- Reducing emissions through ICT
- Promoting progress in tackling climate change through the innovative use of digital technologies in cities



#### 3 tangible commitments:

- Work with Green Digital Charter signatories on ICT & Energy Efficiency;
- Deploy five large-scale ICT pilots per city addressing the above areas within 5 years;
- Decrease ICT's direct carbon footprint per city by 30% within 10 years.



# NiCE Areas of actions



#### 1. GDC Framework and Tools

establishing a replicable framework for classifying, measuring and reporting on city actions on ICT and Energy Efficiency



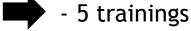
- Reporting tools

- Action tools

#### 2. City Support and Action

providing cities with a comprehensive range of support to help progress actions based on the GDC





- Study Tours

#### 3. Outreach and Engagement

Developing wider synergies with key stakeholders and initiatives



- 3 roadshows

- Focus on China

- CoM



# NiCE Upcoming events



• EAST-WEST, Cyprus, 4 September 2012 Green Digital Agenda in Smart Cities -European and Chinese cities leading by examples

NiCE training, Sarajevo, September 2012
 Introduction to the Green Digital Charter and funding opportunities







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