



# Activities Report 2018

## European Urban Knowledge Network – EUKN EGTC



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## About the EUKN

The European Urban Knowledge Network (EUKN) is the only independent Member State driven network in the EU, working at the interface between urban policy, research and practice. As a network of national governments, working closely with the European Commission, the EUKN is deeply involved in EU policy-making.

As a strategic knowledge partner, the EUKN benefits its members through tailor-made services, expert analysis, research assistance, and specific practical assistance such as Policy Labs and webinars. One of the key delivery instruments for tailor-made knowledge support are the EUKN Policy Labs.

The knowledge collected through the Policy Labs feed into the rich EUKN e-library, containing selected documents on shared standards, EU policies, best practices and up-to-date research. The EUKN newsletter and social media channels inform a wide audience about recent developments in urban matters.

In addition to the services provided to its members, the EUKN also participates in additional projects. Since the adoption of the Pact of Amsterdam, in 2016, the EUKN is part of the Technical Secretariat of the Urban Agenda for the EU, supporting its implementation through the provision of communication tools, expertise and administrative support to the thematic Partnerships. In 2018, the EUKN started a multi-annual project to support the preparation of the new Leipzig Charter to be adopted under the German Presidency of 2020. At the end of 2018, the EUKN organised an international conference in energy transition, commissioned by the Dutch Ministry of the Interior and Kingdom Relations. Both the membership activities and the additional projects are included in the 2018 Activity report.

## State of the EUKN in 2018

In 2018, the following Member States were member of the EUKN EGTC: Belgium, Cyprus, the Czech Republic, France, Germany and the Netherlands. At the end of 2018, Poland, Slovenia and Spain decided to join the network. Belgium, however, decided to end its membership of the EUKN.

In 2018, the EUKN amended its Convention and Statutes to allow the prospective members to join the network. This process was completed at the end of 2018, starting the formal approval process involving both the existing members and the new members. Once the new Convention and the Statutes will be approved by the existing members, new members, upon approval of their EGTC authorities, will be able to join the EUKN EGTC.

After EUKN established itself as a fully independent organisation in 2017, with a new office location in The Hague's corporate city district, in 2018 the core was composed of 5 (until October) and 4 (from November) full-time employed members of staff including interns.



## EUKN activities in 2018

The EUKN distinguishes its activities between membership activities and externally funded activities.

### I. Membership activities

The EUKN gathers EU Member States in a high-level network of urban policy-making. The EUKN members benefit from strategic and independent expert knowledge support reflected in tailor-made services. These services include themed Policy Labs, knowledge support, and dedicated consultancy services.

#### Policy Labs

Policy Labs are central to the EUKN's work and are very valuable for members and participants. Policy Labs are an EUKN service tailored to meet national, regional and local authorities' knowledge needs regarding pertinent urban development issues. Like all EUKN services, Policy Labs are practical and demand-driven activities, answering the requirements of the commissioning party and providing strategic knowledge exchange and networking opportunities. The Policy Labs are an integral part of the EUKN membership package but are also available for non-members upon request. They can take a variety of forms, such as expert meetings, panel discussions, site visits, case study presentations, workshops, and even small conferences.

The EUKN Secretariat works with external experts such as academics, policy makers and practitioners, continuously refining innovative working methods to be applied during Policy Labs. The format of joint Policy Labs has shown itself to be an interesting pooling of resources, strengthening the exchange between two or more EUKN members on a specific topic.

The Policy Lab topics depend exclusively on members' policy agendas. In 2018, the EUKN organised five Policy Labs on following topics:

1. Two systems, one challenge: Integration in cities in Germany and France - EUKN joint Policy Lab for Germany and France, 25 June 2018, Strasbourg;
2. Strategic Integrated Urban Planning – EUKN Policy Lab for the Czech Republic, 9 November 2018;
3. Prevention of Radicalisation – EUKN Policy Lab for Belgium, 27 November 2018
4. Energy Transition – EUKN Policy Lab Plus for the Netherlands, 6 December 2018;
5. Functional Urban Areas – EUKN Policy Lab for Cyprus, 19 December 2018.

Full reports on the EUKN Policy Labs are available on the EUKN website. What follows here, is a short summary of the main results of the events.

## Two systems, one challenge: Integration in cities in Germany and France

EUKN joint Policy Lab for Germany and France, 25 June 2018, Strasbourg



On 25 June 2018, the EUKN organised a joint Policy Lab for its members France and Germany. This larger Policy Lab, bringing together over 70 French and German experts from various levels of governance, took place in Strasbourg and was organised in cooperation with the French General Commissariat for Territorial Equality (CGET) and the German Federal Ministry for the Interior, Building and Community on the theme of migrants and refugees' integration in cities in both countries.

The Policy Lab was aimed at fostering a multilevel dialogue as well as supporting local initiatives through case study workshops. Integration policies are central in the French-German political agenda, and the French-German Integration Council, which gathers numerous stakeholders, is already working on strengthening cross-national cooperation by exchanging good practices and finding common solutions on such a complex topic.

As a starting point for this event, Claire Charbit (OECD) presented the immigration context in Europe, with the OECD report "Working Together for Local Integration of Migrants and Refugees" as support. The first roundtable gathered national stakeholders on the topic of national integration policies and local integration. The second roundtable focused on cities' actions and their interaction with other levels of governance. The discussions shed light on the two main urban policies encompassing integration issues in France and German cities: the "Politique de la Ville" and "Soziale Stadt".

Four themes have been further investigated as part of dedicated workshops: access to rights and anti-discrimination, language acquisition, urban renewal and citizen participation, and economic integration. Local projects from France and Germany were presented followed by discussions with the participants. The EUKN Policy Lab provided the opportunity to foster the exchange of knowledge and good practices on integration policies. At the end of the Policy Lab, participants stated how much they appreciated cross-border exchanges on integration policies.

## Strategic Integrated Urban Planning

EUKN Policy Lab for the Czech Republic, 9 November 2018



The Czech Republic is reconsidering its strategic urban planning strategies. This is partly implemented through Integrated Territorial Investments (ITIs), a funding scheme introduced in 2014 as part of the European Structural and Investment Funds (ESIF). Discussions about Cohesion Policy in the next programming period, have led to discussions in the Czech Republic to explore how ITIs can be used more effectively.

In a presentation given in Brussels on 18 January 2018 (“Post 2020 Regional Policy in the Czech Republic as a stepping stone to future territorial dimension of ESI Funds”), Deputy Minister David Koppitz formulated four areas of change: stronger and more precise territorial focus defined by the regional development strategy, rational use of integrated instruments reacting to real needs (stakeholders involved in planning), reduction of administrative burden and increasing capacity for multi-source fundraising within integrated projects, and a single set of rules for all ESIF and simplification of control procedures.

The last area is a matter of negotiations between the Member States and the European Commission. The first three areas have been used as a starting point for an EUKN Policy Lab to support the Czech Republic in developing a revised strategy for strategic urban and regional development projects in the next programming period. This Policy Lab tackled current trends and focused on governance and financial engineering of these projects, including the use of ITIs. Experts from the Netherlands, the UK, Poland and Czechia presented strategic larger urban development projects from their countries.

Two key questions emerged from the discussions: How to make better use of ITIs for the next programming period? How to improve current integrated strategic planning projects and programmes? The discussion invited all participants to reflect on two concrete projects chosen by the Czech Ministry discussed from two different, but complementary perspectives:

1. Strategy: looking into aspects such as governance, urban context, programming, participation of citizens and the private sector.
2. Financial engineering: use of EU funding instruments, including ITIs and other forms of multi-source funding.

## Prevention of Radicalisation

EUKN Policy Lab for Belgium, 27 November 2018



This EUKN Policy Lab builds on the recommendations of a Policy Lab held in 2016, emphasizing the importance of the local authorities' role in the preventive approach to the phenomenon. The aim was to formulate answers to questions such as what are the individual and social factors that cause possible breeding grounds for radical views, both for radical Islamic views and extreme right ideologies. Where does the attraction lie for these ideologies? How to work on these issues in the field of prevention and awareness-raising in education, community life and breaking through factors that encourage radicalisation?

The Policy Lab is primarily intended for local authorities involved in the prevention of radicalisation phenomena in Belgium. It also addresses other policy levels, to researchers and organizations active in this domain. The aim is to promote the sharing of information and the exchange of experience between the participants, by enriching them with the local policy pursued in neighbouring countries.

During the event, the phenomenon and the trigger factors that can lead to radicalisation were explained, as well as the methodology developed as a result of research. The developed methodology provided an instrument to respond adequately. The mapping of these trigger factors provides a starting point for determining which organisations or persons can play a role in signalling and intervening. Two speakers highlighted the importance of social ties in education and, by extension, community life. French sociologist, Tarik Yildiz, explained the relevance of social processes, namely the influence of poverty, lack of perspective and the connection between petty crime and radicalization. The Policy Lab concluded with two rounds of three workshops, each introduced by experts from either Belgium, France or the Netherlands. The workshops provided space for reflection and exchange on local policy in regard to the prevention of radicalisation. Each workshop covered one of the following three themes:

1. Identification and follow-up of the radicalisation process.
2. Training professionals in the neighbourhoods.
3. Cooperation between local government and partners (family, schools, mosques, associations, police, justice).



## Energy Transition in the built environment

EUKN Policy Lab Plus for the Netherlands, 6 December 2018



Photo: Esther Quell

Urban energy transition is a key policy theme, both politically and socially, for European cities. The government's sustainability objectives affect everyone: citizens, businesses and policy makers at all levels of government. The Dutch climate agreement aims to reduce CO<sub>2</sub> emissions by 49% by 2030. In the Netherlands, the decision to stop natural gas extraction by 2030 means that 7.8 million homes and 1.1 million office buildings must be made sustainable and natural gas-free. While the Dutch case is unique in some respects, other countries face similar challenges regarding the transformation of buildings into sustainable or even zero-emission.

The Dutch Ministry of the Interior and Kingdom Relations has commissioned the EUKN to organise an international conference that sheds light on this large-scale challenge from a European point of view. The conference replaced the usual Policy Lab, hence the name "Policy Lab Plus". The event brought together experts from the Netherlands, Belgium, Denmark, France, Germany and Spain to share their experiences in transforming the existing building stock into green, energy-efficient structures. The conference focused on successful policy instruments and explored how authorities and other key actors can create societal support for these massive transformation processes. Two core aspects were stressed:

1. What policy instruments can be used by national, regional and local authorities to speed up and to scale up the energy transformation of existing residential and commercial buildings; and
2. How to ensure societal support, without which these transformation processes cannot be realised?

In answering these questions, the international experts shared strategy and good practices. In addition, the experiences and working methods of the Energy Transition Partnership of the Urban Agenda for the EU were investigated, as two Dutch cities (Tilburg and Groningen) take part in this Partnership.

## Functional Urban Areas

EUKN Policy Lab for Cyprus, 19 December 2018



The 2019 EUKN Policy Lab organised for Cyprus focused on the current European debate on Functional Urban Areas (FUAs), which is the generally accepted term to designate these cooperation models. The Policy Lab brought insights from two important pan-European initiatives: the Urban Agenda for the EU Partnership on Sustainable Use of Land and Nature-based Solutions and the broad study on Functional Areas for the Council of Europe.

The Department of Town Planning and Housing in Cyprus opened the meeting, followed by two presentations that served as input for an interactive discussion with the audience on the relevance of a FUA approach for Cyprus.

Mart Grisel, director of the EUKN EGTC, introduced the topic of FUAs within the current EU context., He addressed issues such as typologies, governance of, recommendations of the Urban Agenda Partnership on Sustainable Use of Land in regard to FUAs.

Ms Ioana Ivanov, the main editor of the Preparatory study for the 17<sup>th</sup> session of the CEMAT conference on “Functional Areas in Member States of the Council of Europe”, discussed the EU context post 2020 and the new instruments that facilitate the establishment of FUAs. Special attention was given to the situation in Romania, which holds the Presidency of the Council of the EU in the first half of 2019, given the fact that the topic of FUAs is part of the Presidency programme.

After these two plenary presentations, the relevance of a FUA approach for Cyprus was further elaborated in two discussions rounds: a first general Q&A round to answer questions and to collect concrete challenges, and the second round focused on the most strategic issues mentioned by the audience.



## Expert Pool

The EUKN Secretariat provides knowledge support to its members on a case-by-case basis, often delivered by experts from the EUKN Expert Pool in the field of urban policy and research in Europe. The newly restructured EUKN Expert Pool in 2018 provides better access to the professional community of experts specialised in pertinent urban-related themes and topical expertise to EUKN members.

The aim of the EUKN Expert Pool is to generate and to deepen knowledge about urban policy practices responding to the multi-faceted challenges. In 2018, the EUKN database consisted of 45 European experts in variety of urban-related themes.

## Acquisition

The EUKN Secretariat continues to attract new members from EU countries in order to consolidate the positive developments that the planned accession of Poland, Slovenia and Spain showcase. The outreach efforts in 2019 will focus on Croatia and Finland. First concrete exchanges with the Croatian Ministry were established in 2018.

In addition to its membership activities, the EUKN expects to acquire additional externally funded projects for 2019 and beyond. In 2018, the EUKN Secretariat submitted a bid for one Horizon 2020 project: POLISAPIENS, a project focused on innovative solutions for inclusive and sustainable urban environments. The Coordination and Support Action (CSA) project proposal was submitted in March 2018, but was not successful, although the evaluation was quite positive. This was a reason for the consortium to prepare for 2019 a similar bid for a Research and innovation action (RIA), with largely the same consortium members as with the original the CSA bid.

In 2018, the Secretariat managed to obtain additional assignments from the Dutch Ministry of the Interior:

- A study to research the impact on urban governance at national level as a result of the involvement of Member States and their cities in the Urban Agenda for the EU. The study will start in 2018 but will be finalised in the course of 2019;
- The creation of a maximum of 10 knowledge dossiers in 2019;
- The organisation of an international conference in 2019 and a related study. The conference will take place in October 2019.

## Exposure and Communication activities

In 2018, the EUKN website has gone through major technical and design updates. The new website is fully compatible with the current security standards and offers more functionality. The website now also responds to GDPR guidelines and is more user-friendly and visually attractive. The EUKN web pages have been restructured to make the findings of EUKN products, e.g. research reports and Policy Lab reports, easier available. Integration with social media channels and the EUKN newsletter has been improved.



## Newsletter and social media

The EUKN newsletter *Urban Review* continued being disseminated in 2018. The newsletter was altered slightly in terms of layout design and content, whilst remaining a key source to promote EUKN service, material and urban knowledge. The content either featured trending urban issues in the form of an interview with an expert, research paper summary, policy reports, network activities, EUKN news or up-and-coming urban conferences and meetings. The newsletter in 2018 was sent to approximately 2800 subscribers worldwide 7 times.

Social media played an important role in the communication but also showed many challenges. Via these channels, the EUKN can interact with other key urban stakeholders building an online network that can also be put into action offline. This resulted in a revised communication strategy document that will be important for the EUKN going forward. This year also saw a continued push to promote the EUKN on social media with regular tweets and posts on Twitter, LinkedIn, YouTube and Facebook. In December 2018, Twitter had 1224 followers (830 in 2017), Facebook 2352 followers (2146 in 2017), LinkedIn group had 4655 members (4561 in 2017). The YouTube channel was created in 2017 and still needs to be promoted properly.

## Website and E-Library

EUKN website activities included updates in news, events, as well as regular submissions to the E-Library with policy documents and research reports.

The website was improved, simplified, and a new strategy of its improvement was finalised. The website went through a major functional and security update, taking into consideration the GDPR Privacy Policy. Moreover, several design features were improved, and the website was made more user-friendly and visually attractive.

The project started in the beginning of 2018 with a dedicated budget. These include the re-assessment and re-adjustment of the search engine connected to the E-Library and a security update of the content management system. In the run-up to this update, the EUKN Secretariat re-organised the content on the website to make it more informative and concise.

Now, the website better showcases the EUKN's activities, governance structure, services, and political embeddedness. Easy access to a rich E-Library containing selected documents on shared standards, EU policies, good practices and up-to-date research is available to all urban leaders, practitioners and policymakers through the EUKN website. Since its establishment, the EUKN has led the way in the investigation and dissemination of topical knowledge and the advancement of today's European urban policy and practice.

## Assembly Meetings in 2018

The EUKN Assembly is a decision-making body of the EUKN EGTC and in 2018 was comprised of six representatives of six EUKN members: Belgium, Cyprus, Czech Republic, France, Germany, and the Netherlands.



The EUKN Secretariat organised two Assembly Meetings to inform the Assembly of the Secretariat's activities and to provide a forum for debate on the network's strategic position and concrete activities:

- Assembly Meeting, 11 June 2018, The Hague, The Netherlands
- Assembly Meeting, 13/14 December 2018, Berlin, Germany

The 2018 Assembly Meetings were especially important because of the complex revision of the EUKN Statutes and Convention. The alteration of these documents was important to update the documents with new information, simplify the membership procedures and to allow other countries to join EUKN in 2019 and beyond. The Assembly members agreed for Poland, Slovenia, Romania and Spain to (re)join the network.

During the first Assembly Meeting in 2018, the formal decision was made regarding the new chair and vice-chair of the EUKN EGTC. The EUKN EGTC chair in 2018 is Germany, represented by Mr Tilman Buchholz, while the vice-chair role belongs to the Netherlands, represented by Mr Nicolaas Beets.

## II. Externally funded activities

EUKN generates added value for its members through externally funded activities. The involvement of the EUKN Secretariat in the Urban Agenda for the EU is a prime example.

Externally commissioned research activities (e.g. under Horizon2020) reinforce the EUKN's position as a knowledge network and provide access to the European research community and discourse. Moreover, the involvement in the implementation of the New Urban Agenda and the Sustainable Development Goals builds bridges between national, European and global activities in the field of sustainable urban development.

The external projects EUKN was commissioned for in 2018 are:

1. DE2020 - Support in the preparation for the upcoming German EU Presidency in 2020;
2. Policy Lab Plus for the Netherlands - Organisation of the Dutch Conference on the topic of Energy Transition [see the Policy Lab section of the document];
3. UAEU Technical Secretariat and senior expertise – Communication and knowledge support activities for the Urban Agenda for the EU process and the Partnerships.

### DE2020

In 2018, with its German partners Deutsche Verband and Cottbus University, the EUKN began supporting the upcoming German Presidency in 2020.

The first national meeting in July 2018 was a starting point for the discussion process on the further development of the Leipzig Charter in the run-up to the upcoming Presidency. The overall objective was reaching a common understanding of the political and strategic orientation of a revised Leipzig



Charter. The meeting discussed general expectations, guiding themes and principles, and the spatial dimension of the upcoming processes. During the meeting, several themes of high urgency were identified such as digitalisation, climate change, demographic development and migration.

The first international meeting held in October 2018 was dedicated to the presentation of the 2007 “Leipzig Charter on Sustainable European Cities”. The meeting also included the current milestones in European urban policy and their implication for the next German EU Presidency, with a specific focus on the Urban Agenda for the EU and the post 2020 Cohesion Policy. The second half of the meeting allowed for discussions on the possible aspects of a new Leipzig Charter using a “World Café” method. This informal setting fostered the exchange of insights among participants on specific questions, such as:

- How has the UAEU contributed to integrated urban development as pro-posed by the Leipzig Charter?
- How could the UAEU be improved to ensure the implementation of the principles of the Leipzig Charter?
- What principles should the new Leipzig Charter emphasise to better implement the UAEU?
- What strategic linkages do you see between the new Cohesion Policy (post 2020) and the revised Leipzig Charter

### Urban Agenda for the EU

After supporting the Dutch Presidency of 2016 to prepare the Pact of Amsterdam, establishing the Urban Agenda for the EU, the EUKN became part of the Technical Secretariat for the Urban Agenda for the EU in a consortium with Ecorys (lead partner) and EURO CITIES.

In 2018, the EUKN Secretariat was involved in communication activities aimed to support all twelve Partnerships in promoting the work of the Partnerships, providing input to the action plans, conceptualising public consultations and attending Partnership meetings. Moreover, the EUKN Secretariat supported the Urban Agenda for the EU by co-organising European meetings such as the Green Week, the European Sustainable Energy Week (EUSEW) and the European Week of Regions and Cities (EWRC). In addition, the EUKN supports the Urban Agenda for the EU Partnerships by providing senior expertise.

The Urban Agenda for the EU represents a unique governance framework for better addressing urban issues in EU policy-making. The multi-faceted activities surrounding this important task constitute a great opportunity to foster the EUKN’s profile and expertise. Being part of the Technical Secretariat for the Urban Agenda for the EU, the EUKN continues to provide organisational and content-related support to all Partnerships and to the Urban Agenda process as a whole.

In the past year, the EUKN continued offering its communication services to all the Partnerships by managing horizontal communication and maintaining the online communication channels (website, Twitter, YouTube and newsletter).



Via the dedicated website hosted on the Futurium platform from the European Commission, the EUKN Secretariat strived to make the Urban Agenda for the EU process even more transparent and responsive to stakeholders and the public. This involved coverage of the Partnerships' meetings, event organisation and conceptualisation of the "Public Feedback" (online consultations of stakeholders on Partnerships' draft Action Plans).

Finally, the EUKN Director supported the Technical Secretariat by providing strategic knowledge and expertise related to the work of Partnerships. Concretely in June 2018, EUKN Director, Mr Mart Grisel, provided knowledge support to the Sustainable Use of Land and Nature Based Solutions Partnership on the topic of Functional Urban Areas.

## **The EUKN Secretariat in 2018**

The core of the EUKN Secretariat in the beginning of the 2018 was the same as in 2017, with three full-time employed members of staff: Mr Mart Grisel, Director, Ms Ivana Vujic, Junior Project Manager and Ms Lea Scheurer, Junior Project Manager.

The two interns, Heleen van Weers and Davide Crispo, who joined EUKN in October 2017, assisting in communication and research activities, ended their internship in March 2018. From May until November 2018, two interns, Irmak Akal and Margaux Barrett, joined the EUKN team for another six months.

At the end of 2018, EUKN Secretariat was composed of 4 members, including Anh Nguyen, a new intern who started her internship in October 2018.



## EUKN events organised in 2018

11 Jun	Assembly Meeting, The Hague, NL
25 Jun	Policy Lab for France and Germany, Strasbourg, FR
28 Jun	1 <sup>st</sup> National meeting for the DE2020, Berlin, DE
1 Oct	1 <sup>st</sup> International meeting for the DE2020, Brussels, BE
9 Nov	Policy Lab for the Czech Republic, Prague, CZ
27 Nov	Policy Lab for Belgium, Brussels, BE
6 Dec	Policy Lab Plus for the Netherlands, The Hague, NL
13-14 Dec	Assembly Meeting, Berlin, DE
19 Dec	Policy Lab for Cyprus, Nicosia, CY

## Participation EUKN staff in external events in 2018

25 Jan	Expert hearing REGI Committee European Parliament, 7 <sup>th</sup> Cohesion Policy report and the Urban Agenda for the EU, Mart Grisel (speaker), Brussels, BE (web streamed)
31 Jan-2 Feb	UAEU - 4 <sup>th</sup> Partnership meeting on Sustainable Use of Land and Nature-Based Solutions, Mart Grisel (moderator), Bologna, IT
28 Feb-1 Mar	UDG/NTCCP meeting, Mart Grisel (participant), Sofia, BG
6-7 Mar	High-level Political Meeting Urban Mobility Partnership, Mart Grisel (moderator), Karlsruhe, DE
20 Mar	UAEU - Urban Poverty Partnership Coordination meeting, Lea Scheurer (presentation), Brussels, BE
5-6 Apr	EUROCITIES Forum, Ivana Vujic (presentation), Amsterdam, NL
17 Apr	UAEU Inclusion of Migrants and Refugees: Urban Academy event, Lea Scheurer (UAEU Technical Secretariat), Brussels, BE
19-20 Apr	DGUM/DGTC meeting, Mart Grisel (participant), Sofia, BG
23-24 Apr	UAEU - 5 <sup>th</sup> Partnership meeting on Sustainable Use of Land and Nature-Based Solutions, moderation, Mart Grisel (moderator), Vilnius, LT
24-25 Apr	JPI Urban Europe Agora Stakeholder meeting, Lea Scheurer (participant), Bucharest, HU
8 May	Conference: Urban Agenda for the EU and its impact on European and national urban policy, Mart Grisel (panellist), Warsaw, PL
15 May	UAEU Inclusion of Migrants and Refugees meeting, Lea Scheurer (UAEU Technical Secretariat), Amsterdam, NL
22-24 May	UAEU - Green week, Lea Scheurer/Ivana Vujic (Technical Secretariat of the UAEU), Brussels, BE
5-7 Jun	UAEU - EUSEW, Lea Scheurer/Ivana Vujic (Technical Secretariat of the UAEU), Brussels, BE
18-19 Jun	Meeting Partnership Sustainable Use of Land and Nature-based Solutions, Mart Grisel (presentation EUKN research), Stavanger, NO
28 Jun	National Meeting, DE2020, Lea Scheurer/Mart Grisel (co-organisers), Berlin, DE
17-18 Sep	German federal conference urban development, Lea Scheurer, Mart Grisel (participants), Frankfurt, DE
20-21 Sep	NTCCP/UDG meeting, Mart Grisel (participant), Vienna, AT
1 Oct	European Meeting DE2020, Lea Scheurer/Mart Grisel (organisers), Brussels, BE
8-11 Oct	UAEU - EWRC2018, Brussels, BE: Lea Scheurer/Ivana Vujic (Technical Secretariat of the UAEU)
11 Oct	JPI Urban Europe Seminar, Mart Grisel (participant/speaker), Brussels, BE



29 Oct	Dag van de Stad, Amersfoort, Mart Grisel (participant), NL
30 Oct	JRC meeting: Future of the Cities report, Mart Grisel (participant), Brussels, BE
12-14 Nov	DGUM meeting, Mart Grisel (participant), Vienna, AT
13 Nov	DG Seminar: Effective territorial and urban governance on EU level, Mart Grisel (participant), Vienna, AT
4 Dec	UAEU Inclusion of Migrants and Refugees meeting, Lea Scheurer (UAEU Technical Secretariat), final conference, Brussels, BE
4-5 Dec	Final EUCANET Conference, Mart Grisel (panellist), Turin, IT