

## Policy Lab on Urban Transformation Pathways in European Cities

**Date:** Monday, 13 May 2019, 13.00 - 18.00 h & Tuesday, 14 May, 9.00 - 13.00 h

**Location:** Impact Hub Berlin, Friedrichstraße 246, 10969 Berlin, Germany

**Accommodation:** Hotel Motel One Berlin-Mitte, Prinzenstraße 40-42, 10969 Berlin

### PURPOSE AND GOAL

- The Policy Lab on urban transformation pathways invites five European cities that are striving towards sustainable urban development from different backgrounds, to share and discuss their respective experiences in the light of global agenda processes (such as the Agenda 2030 and the SDGs, New Urban Agenda, Paris Climate Agreement, Urban Agenda for the EU).
- Thus, participants get the opportunity to engage in peer-to-peer learning with other leading European cities while receiving feedback and valuable insights from urban professionals on their urban transformation pathways.
- In addition, cities will be updated on current EU policy processes in the field of urban transformation, and on their relevance to them.
- On Day 1, participants will join forces in facilitated working groups, as they discuss thoughts on the relevance of international agenda frameworks for local transformation pathways, and what support cities need for their implementation.
- Results and ideas will be showcased in a growing exhibition in order to enhance the discussion on Day 2 with further experts joining the discussion.

### PROGRAMME DAY 1

Monday, 13 May, 2019

- 12.30 h**            **Arrival at Impact Hub**  
*Snacks will be provided*
- 13.00 h**            **Welcome**  
Tilman Buchholz, Federal Ministry of the Interior, Building and Community
- 13.10 h**            **Introduction**  
Philipp Misselwitz, Urban Catalyst  
*Purpose and Goal of the Policy Lab and introduction to programme*  
*Participants' expectations and intentions for the workshop*
- 13.30 h**            **Session 1: Mapping local transformation pathways**  
Facilitation by Urban Catalyst, adelphi & EUKN  
*Participants map their city's local transformation pathways*  
*Short presentation of respective results in growing exhibition*
- 14.30 h**            **Coffee break with snacks**
- 14.45 h**            **Session 2: Reflecting international agenda frameworks**  
Facilitation by Urban Catalyst, adelphi & EUKN  
*Discussion in two working groups with five participants each: What role do international agendas play at the local level and what did change when they were introduced?*  
*Short presentation of respective results in growing exhibition*
- 15.45 h**            **Presentation: EU support mechanisms for localising global and European agendas**  
Franziska Schreiber and Barbara Burkel, adelphi  
*Overview of existing instruments and mechanisms at the EU level to support the implementation of global and European agendas at the local level*  
*Short presentation followed by Q&A*

- 16.30 h**            **Coffee break with snacks**
- 16.45 h**            **Session 3: Conceptualising structural support**  
Facilitation by Urban Catalyst, adelphi & EUKN  
*Brainstorming in working groups about the support mechanisms that cities need in order to better link local transformation pathways with international agendas*  
*Short presentation of respective results in growing exhibition*
- 17.45 h**            **Wrap-up of the day**  
Moderation by Urban Catalyst  
*Short reflection of the day's outcome and outlook for Day 2*
- 18.45 h**            **Joint Dinner (optional)**  
Venue: Taz-Kantine, Friedrichstraße 21, D-10969 Berlin  
*Please let us know in advance if you would like to join*

## **PROGRAMME DAY 2**

*Tuesday, 14 May, 2019*

- 09.00 h**            **Arrival at Impact Hub**
- 09.15 h**            **Welcome and introduction; short recap of Day 1**  
Tilman Buchholz, Federal Ministry of the Interior, Building and Community & EUKN
- 09.30 h**            **Presentation of the projects *Global Urban Transformations* and *Possibilities and Strategies of the German EU Council Presidency 2020***  
adelphi & EUKN
- 09.45 h**            **Reflection of Day 1's findings in open discussion with invited experts**  
Moderation: EUKN, Urban Catalyst  
*The participating cities will present the exhibition results of Day 1's sessions 1 and 2: mapping cities' transformation pathways and linking them to global and European agendas*  
*Further invited experts will be asked to comment on the presented results*
- 11.00 h**            **Coffee break with snacks**
- 11.30 h**            **Moderated discussion on on linking local perspectives with urban agenda processes at the EU-level**  
Moderation: EUKN  
*The entire group of cities and further experts will engage in a plenary discussion on ways forward in making global and European agendas work at the local level*  
*Particular attention will be paid to the contributions of the new Leipzig Charter and the updated Urban Agenda for the EU in this regard*
- 12.30 h**            **Closing remarks**
- 13.00 h**            **End of the meeting**  
*Snacks will be provided*

### LIST OF PARTICIPANTS (as of 10/5/2019)

*13 and 14 May, 2019: Representatives of five European Cities*

NAME	CITY	POSITION
Panagiotis Exarchos	City of Athens, Greece	Advisor to the Mayor of Athens on European and International Affairs
Mary Saradari	City of Athens, Greece	Scientific Expert at the Office of Resilience of the City of Athens and Sustainability Technical Project Manager "Extrema" UCPM Project of the City of Athens
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Delphine Gaudart-Brunet	Communauté d'Agglomération de La Rochelle, France	European Project Officer

*14 May, 2019: Further invited Experts*

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Marine Gaudron	CEMR	Policy Officer – Economic, Social and Territorial Cohesion, Local Finances
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Kieran McCarthy	European Committee of the Regions (CoR)	CoR member for Cork Municipal Council and rapporteur for the Urban Agenda for the EU
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## HOW TO GET TO THE VENUE

Both venue and hotel are well connect to Berlin's public transport system.

- Hotel Motel One Berlin-Mitte, Prinzenstraße 40-42, 10969 Berlin (Hotel) is located at MORITZPLATZ (U8), Exit *Heinrich-Heine-Straße*
- Impact Hub Berlin, Friedrichstraße 246, 10969 Berlin (Venue) is located near HALLESCHES TOR (U1, U6), Exit *Friedrichstraße*

Public transport schedules are available here: <https://www.bvg.de/en>

Tickets can be purchased at yellow or red ticket machines, or with the bus driver.

A single ticket from Tegel Airport (TXL) and major train stations will cost 2,80 €.

A single ticket from Schönefeld Airport (SXF) will cost 3,40 €.