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Replicate successful findings...

With their hands-on approach, cities make a difference in the fight against climate change. They are the living labs of the energy transition where innovative technologies, business models and practices are tested.

Learn more about these new technologies and lessons learned in the field of energy, mobility & transport and ICT on the **Smart Cities and Communities Information System** (SCIS), a platform funded by the European Union. Here, you can find valuable information about projects on the creation of smart cities and an energy-efficient urban environment. Over the past three years, more than 60 different projects have already used the platform to showcase their best practices to a broad audience.

"The next step is now to replicate the successful findings: SCIS will play an important role in upscaling and disseminating best practices and lessons learned from the projects. In evolving towards a strong instrument for replication, SCIS will continue working closely together with you. We also look forward to your ideas of how SCIS can be at your service!"

A big thank you to the previous team for doing such a great job which allows us to jump right into the process of further evolving the platform. In doing so, we want to keep you updated by using the newsletter to inform you about projects, events, best practices and novelties on the SCIS.

We hope you have an inspiring read!

The new project consortium of SCIS wishes you happy holidays and a great start into the year 2018!

The new team behind SCIS



VITO, the Flemish Institute for Technological Research, leads the SCIS project with Sarah Bogaert as the project coordinator. Han Vandevyvere leads the analysis of the individual projects in order to capture the lessons learned and come to recommendations for replication.

DNV-GL, the provider of independent renewable energy advice, will maintain and extend the SCIS database and host the self-reporting tool. It is represented by Eelco Kruizinga and Rudy Rooth, focusing on the projects' data collection.

Steinbeis 2i is an expert in cross-border innovation projects as well as exploitation and communication of research results. Valerie Bahr and Isabell Kraft work on the visibility of the platform via the various media channels.

EUROCITIES is the network of major European cities, gathering more than 140 cities to foster knowledge exchange and peer learning. Nikolaos Kontinakis and Gabriel Jacqmin will support in identifying stories from the projects to aid replication.

Th!nk E concentrates on increased renewable energy use in the urban development. Within SCIS, Leen Peeters' main focus is on the evaluation of interesting and replicable technical innovations for cities.

Tecnalia has various smart cities projects in its portfolio, making it very valuable to share experiences with SCIS and other cities. Francisco Rodríguez Perez-Curiel is supporting the SCIS team for the projects' analysis and replication.

"We, the SCIS team, will be responsible for the SCIS platform until September 2020 and hope to engage in this great community of SCC and EeB projects. Together, let's enhance the effective and efficient replication of innovative solutions in the field of smart low carbon cities!"

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Social media activities

SCIS has the ambition to bring everyone together in the field of smart cities and communities and energy-efficient buildings. Therefore, SCIS is going to be active in social media channels. Follow us on twitter or Facebook and we will keep you updated!

The SCIS newsletter is published once a month, informing about the platform, the project community and its news. You are welcome to send in any topics you are interested in or have questions about!

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