



## CITIZEN FOCUS

### ***Developing civic engagement and participation in smart cities and communities: four initiatives and their roadmaps ahead***

*15th of November 2021  
3-5 PM CET online event*

After our policy oriented meeting back in July this year when we discussed on how citizen participation and deliberation increasingly position as key pillars across different policy areas and mechanisms, we have been busy updating the roadmaps of the initiatives that are part of the Action Cluster. Therefore, the November meeting will be the best opportunity for touching base and presenting the plans of each one of the initiatives, inviting new interested potential members to join, spotting possibilities for cross-initiative synergies in view of future steps. As usual, the meeting will see the participation of DG ENER/DG CONNECT Policy Officers coordinating the Smart Cities Market Place.

Join us to know more about:

- EC Policy updates on Smart Cities and Communities and related topics
- A new Democratic Innovations Initiative broadening the scope and ambition of the former Participatory Budgeting group
- Citizen's Control of Personal Data update and forthcoming large event targeting cities to provide them with dedicated software and mechanisms to ease take-up
- Citizen City plans towards updating the toolkit concepts and generating new project ideas
- InnovateCity developments as the initiative became a sustainable Foundation with 19 associated cities which have plans to funding a digital platform with a CPB (Central Purchasing Body) embedded to support joint procurement processes.



## Meeting Details

<b>Date &amp; time</b>	15th November 2021 15.00 – 17.00 PM CET
<b>Location</b>	Videoconference
<b>Organizer</b>	Steinbeis 2i

## Agenda

- 15:00 – 15:05      Getting everybody connected
- 15:05 – 15:15      *Welcome and introduction to the meeting*  
Maria Sangiuliano, Smart Venice - SCM AC CF Chair & Judith Borsboom, Locality, SCM Action Cluster Coordinator, and Gabi Kaiser, Steinbeis Europa Zentrum, AC CF Manager
- 15.15 – 15.30      *Introduction on Policy updates from the EC*  
Georg Houben (EC, DG ENER) *tbc*, Javier Orozco-Messana (EC, DG CNECT)
- 15:30 – 15:45      *Democratic Innovations and Inclusive participation Initiative*  
Maria Sangiuliano, Smart Venice srl
- 15:45 – 16:00      *Citizen Control of Personal Data*  
Shaun Topham, DataVaults project
- 16:00 - 16:15      *Citizen City*  
Eda Ozdek, White Research
- 16:15- 16:30      *European Network of Policy Labs*  
Jorge Saraiva, InnovateCity
- 16:30- 16:55      *Q&A and roundtable on synergies*
- 16:55 – 17:00      *Wrap-up and next steps*  
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