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Smarticipate: Grab your potential to open up the smart city

by Marek Vogt, Urban Planner and participation expert at WeLoveTheCity

The term Smart City has many definitions. Most of them are made by scientists, researchers and industry experts. But often, cities use an abstract definition without considering the practical requirements of citizens. So why are citizens not directly asked about their expectations? Doing this would help cities, since they often don't know how to bring the Smart City to the ground to serve the real needs of their population.

In the EU-funded project smarticipate, we're following a user-centered approach to develop a digital platform. That means directly connecting 'smart' citizens with their cities. We're doing that with different European partners and in close collaboration with the three pilot cities. Smarticipate provides automatic and immediate feedback on citizen ideas based on open data. It also supports an urban planning dialogue between different stakeholders.

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Smart Dublin: a regional approach to smart cities projects

by Zaira Rivera Fernandez

Smart Dublin is an initiative of the four Dublin local authorities to engage with smart technology providers, researchers and citizens to solve challenges and improve city life.   The unique project, which was launched in March 2016, brought together the four administrative bodies in the city under one umbrella to pull resources, share information and work together to find solutions to their problems.

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REMOURBAN study tour in Nottingham: making history for European smart cities

The REMOURBAN project, in cooperation with the Action Cluster on Integrated Planning from the European Innovation Partnership on SCC and the Smart Cities Information System organised its first Study Tour in the lighthouse city of Nottingham in March 2017, hosted by the Nottingham Trent University.
The day featured a series of workshops on topics such as smart city indicators, innovative business models and integrated planning for accelerating urban transition.

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WEBINAR | 17 May, 10:30 – 11:30 | Regulatory, financial and social barriers & solutions for innovation: lessons learned from EU smart cities projects

The challenge to develop smart cities is not only a technological challenge but also a regulatory, financial and social one. In fact, some non-technical issues may be more challenging to resolve than the technological barriers and the success of a project can depend on this. Join the SCIS webinar with the participation of EU-funded projects REMOURBAN and City-zen to learn more.

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Learn how SCIS works with our brand new video

There is so much data and so many projects, websites, and tools out there, that it can be difficult to find information about the best available smart cities solutions in Europe. This is where the Smart Cities Information System, or SCIS, can help. The Smart Cities Information System knowledge base showcases technologies and lessons learned from EU smart cities projects to promote replication. Watch our brand new video to learn more.

Watch video...

SMARTER TOGETHER launches Club of Cities

The SMARTER TOGETHER lighthouse project launches the Club of Cities bringing together cities from Europe and beyond with the objective of improving their capacity to implement Smart City solutions through networking, study visits and online tools. The cities already participating in the Smarter Together project will share their experience in five areas of co-created and replicable integrated smart solutions: citizen engagement, district heating & renewable energy, holistic refurbishment, smart data and e-mobility.

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Funding support for public procurement of innovative solutions for energy efficiency

Are you a public body at local, regional or national level and interested in the procurement of more energy-efficient and innovative solutions for products, and/or services, and/or buildings?
Are you willing to go the extra mile to purchase those solutions that exactly meet your needs? EASME provides funding support for Public Procurement of Innovative Solutions for energy efficiency (PPI) in the H2020 Energy Efficiency Call, covering 35% of your procurement costs.

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Events

Meetings of the Energy and Managing Authorities Network

15-16 May 2017

Financing Energy Efficiency in Denmark, Sweden and Finland

19- May 2017

EU Sustainable Energy Week

19-25 June
Brussels, Belgium

Brussels, Belgium

Copenhagen, Denmark

Projects

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ZENN

The research project ZenN aims to reduce energy use in existing buildings and neighbourhoods. The project strives to:
- demonstrate the feasibility of innovative low energy renovation processes for buildings at the neighbourhood scale,
- identify, optimise and disseminate the most promising management and funding methods to facilitate large-scale implementation,
- develop, improve and launch ambitious replication plans at several scales (local, regional etc.).

Visit the project's SCIS page
Visit the project's website..

NEED4B

NEED4B is a collaborative project that will demonstrate cost-effective and energy efficient technologies and methods for the design and construction of very low-energy new buildings. A series of pilots located in different European climates will show how to achieve a primary energy consumption lower than 60 kWh/m2/year in the buildings.
The overall objective of the project is to develop an open and easily replicable methodology for designing, constructing, and operating new low-energy buildings, aiming at a large market uptake.

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From the community

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