Call for CrAFt Cities: Annex

This Call for CrAFt Cities aims to select 70 cities that want to test and share models of transformation with us, and become role models for cities across Europe. Cities can express their interest by filling in and submitting the Expression of Interest form no later than 9th September 2023 at 17:00 CEST.

All answers to the questions and all documents that you upload to the Expression of Interest must be in English.

The requested example of existing/completed site/activity and site in need of transformation should be self-contained pdf documents that each include one picture or other type of visual, a text of maximum 400 words that explains why you think this example is relevant, and a website link (if available) where more information can be found. All uploaded files must be named according to the city and item to which they correspond (e.g. EXAMPOLIS-existing.pdf).

The CrAFt project will select the CrAFt Cities according to the following eligibility, evaluation and selection/ranking criteria:

- The 70 cities will be selected among cities from EU Member States or countries with an Association Agreement to the Horizon Europe programme or in the process of negotiating such an Agreement.

- Cities may participate in the call if they have at least 50 000 inhabitants. Cities from countries with 5 or less cities of more than 100 000 inhabitants may express their interest if they have more than 10 000 inhabitants. Those countries are: Croatia (HR), Cyprus (CY), Estonia (EE), Ireland (IE), Latvia (LV), Lithuania (LT), Luxembourg (LU), Malta (MT), Slovenia (SI) and Slovakia (SK).

- Groupings of cities of smaller size can apply if together they have at least 50 000 inhabitants. Those cities would have to be geographically contiguous and demonstrate that they can act in a coordinated manner, with a single coordinating entity having authority to make decisions and commitments for the whole grouping.

- In the context of this call, the term “city” is used to refer to a geographical subnational jurisdiction (“local administrative unit”) such as a town or a city that is governed by a local government as the legal entity of public administration, understanding that the institutions of local governments may vary from country to country and terminology used in national contexts may differ.

- Only one proposal per city will be accepted. A municipality may choose to dedicate a point of contact among its own staff, or delegate this responsibility to a person from another organisation, in that case supported by an official Letter of Support by the Mayor or City Manager.
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