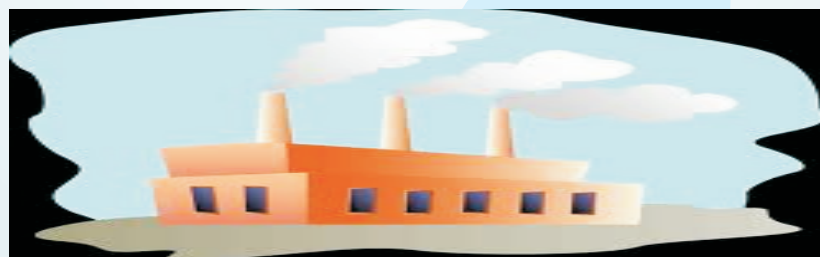


Our Project

CONURBANT starts from the consideration that EU small towns face strong difficulties in energy management and planning because of their lack of skills and resources, while medium and large cities have a higher responsibility related to higher density of human activities to more complicated issues of sustainable land using and planning and mobility. The CONURBANT project aims at helping medium-large cities, and the smaller towns in their urban area, through capacity building using peer to peer support and training between less and more experienced Municipalities, in the framework of the CoM.

- we will help Municipalities understand the benefits of making our cities cleaner
- we will support Municipalities in developing their Sustainable Energy Action Plans
- we will create sustainable relations between small, medium and large EU cities
- we will show Municipalities that their role for our greener future is crucial
- we will involve local political decision makers and other stakeholders to ensure the positive impact of our project



How?

- 8 Trainee Municipalities and at least 40 Conurbation towns will be trained at local level
- 2 open training sessions will be organized in Brussels for EU Municipalities
- Provision of training materials in national as well as English language
- 1 local forum set up in each participating municipality
- 8 Sustainable Action Plans in Trainee cities
- 40 Sustainable Action Plans in Conurbation towns
- 1 Local forum set up in each participating municipality
- 50 New signatories of the Covenant of Mayors
- 1 Energy day in 10 project areas every year

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What is the Covenant of Mayors?

The Covenant of Mayors is the mainstream European movement involving local and regional authorities, voluntarily committing to increase energy efficiency and use of renewable energy sources on their territories. By their commitment, Covenant signatories aim to meet and exceed the European Union 20% CO2 reduction objective by 2020.

After the adoption, in 2008, of the EU Climate and Energy Package, the European Commission launched the Covenant of Mayors to endorse and support the efforts deployed by local authorities in the implementation of sustainable energy policies. Indeed, local governments play a crucial role in mitigating the effects of climate change, all the more so when considering that 80% of energy consumption and CO2 emissions is associated with urban activity.

2,717 Signatories

128,379,950 Inhabitants

How to join?

- The Covenant of Mayors initiative is presented to the municipal council or equivalent decision-making body
- The city council formally adopts the Covenant of Mayors and mandates the mayor - or other representative of the city council - to sign the adhesion form
- The city council informs the Commission about its decision by sending a message to the Covenant of Mayors Office mailbox
- The city council receives a confirmation by e-mail with information about the next steps

Step by Step

"The Covenant of Mayors is fundamentally a key instrument of the EU energy policy. Cities and regions have the capacity to act on the most relevant sectors of our energy demand.

If most European regions and cities joined the Covenant of Mayors, more than half of the work to attain our 20% target would be done!"

Günther OETTINGER
EU Commissioner
for Energy



What do we expect to achieve?

- Improving the capacity of Municipalities participating in the project by trainings and study tours
- Creating the base for Municipal institutionalization of SEAPs in order to guarantee their sustainability
- Creation of synergies and integration of common actions between Trainee and tutoring Municipalities and conurbation towns
- Support to Municipalities to implement at least 3 actions within the first year after finalization of their SEAPs
- Dissemination and popularization of results, achievements and produced documents within the project duration

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