Collaborating towards a Horizon Europe mission on climate-neutral cities by and for citizens – how do we ensure smartness?

Time: 4 December 2019, 14:00-17:30, followed by a reception Venue: Skåne European Office, Nordic House, rue du Luxembourg 3

Delivering results for a mission on climate neutral and smart cities, by and for citizens, requires established models of collaboration at city and regional level. Actors in south Sweden are eager to contribute to the success of the forthcoming Horizon Europe mission on cities by scaling up and sharing our points for success for this key research and innovation initiative.

What models of governance are quired? What new partnerships need to be created to solve global challenges? What mechanisms for collaboration provide the best opportunity to ensure research and innovation results are picked up by cities and citizens?

For our second annual policy event in Brussels, *Lärosäten Syd* – the network of *Universities in South Sweden* – has teamed up with the other south Swedish Brussels offices – *Skåne European Office, Småland Blekinge Halland South Sweden, Skåne Association of Local Authorities* and *City of Malmö EU Office* – to create an opportunity to deepen the dialogue with policymakers and strengthen partnerships with other stakeholders from academia, industry, funding agencies and public authorities to contribute to the shaping of missions and the future European research and innovation landscape.

The event will present a series of pitches from our network, which will cover a selection of our capabilities in the area of sustainable urban development as well as our priorities and expectations of the mission on cities. The discussion will also feature respondents from the mission board and assembly for an update on discussions on formulating a mission on cities.

Thank you for joining us on this occasion so that we together can build successful research and innovation partnerships for European cities from 2021.

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13:30-14:00	Registration, tea and coffee available
14:00-14:10	Welcome and introduction
	 Professor Torbjörn von Schantz, Vice Chancellor, Lund University
14:10-14:20	Why is the mission a priority for Skåne? The bigger picture – a complete innovation ecosystem for smart sustainable cities
	 Wilhelm Ast, Development Manager, Region Skåne
14:20-15:45	South Swedish collaborations towards a Horizon Europe mission on climate-neutral and smart cities
	Views from south Sweden regarding the implementation of a mission-oriented approach to building innovation partnerships.
	 Future by Lund – Innovations for smart and sustainable cities of tomorrow Peter Kisch, Project Manager – Future by Lund, City of Lund Helsingborg as a climate neutral and smart city 2035 Jens Gille, Head of Environmental Strategic Department, City of Helsingborg Building carbon neutral cities in collaboration – discussing the role of academia Lena Neij, Professor, International Institute for Industrial Environmental Economics, Lund University Strategic approaches to urban sustainability transitions Giles Redding Thomson PhD, Department for Strategic Sustainable Development, Blekinge Institute of Technology (BTH) Building smart cities through urban open space governance and management Thomas Barfoed Randrup, Professor in Urban Open Space Management, Swedish University of Agricultural Sciences (SLU) Building smart cities & communities through predictive maintenance and district heating Kristian Widén, Associate Professor and Deputy Program Director Smart Cities and Communities, Halmstad University
15:45-16:00	Swedish networking fika
16:00-16:20	Missions – a novelty in Horizon Europe
	 Jean-François Aguinaga, Head of Unit – Future Urban & Mobility Systems, European Commission – DG Research & Innovation
16:20-17:20	Discussion with respondents – what conclusions can be drawn for the implementation of an EU mission on cities?
	Moderated by Anthony van de Ven, Head of EU Office, Eindhoven Brainport
	 Anna Lisa Boni, Secretary General, EUROCITIES & member of the Mission Board on climate-neutral and smart cities Pirita Lindholm, Director, European Regions Research and Innovation Network & member of the Mission Assembly on climate-neutral and smart cities Peter Kisch, Project Manager – Future by Lund, City of Lund Lena Neij, Professor, Lund University Ola Nord, Head of EU Office, City of Malmö
17:20-17:30	Concluding remarks
	 Professor Kerstin Tham, Vice Chancellor, Malmö University
17:30	Networking cocktail