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EmPowerIngUs Innovation Transfer Network

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Understanding the Transfer Process and the URBACT Local Group











Why are we here?



Because...









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Cities adapt the experience of a successful Urban Innovative Actions' project and develop an investment plan to implement it.

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Because...

- ✓ You want to tackle an urban policy challenge and find solutions through the transfer of an innovative practice.
- ✓ You wish to improve or change local policies by sharing experiences and exchange knowledge with other European cities working on similar challenges.
- ✓ You are eager to involve relevant key stakeholders and practice participatory culture by learning new tools and methods for effective policy- making.
- ✓ You want to **experiment** at local level.











The URBACT method



Participatory Approach

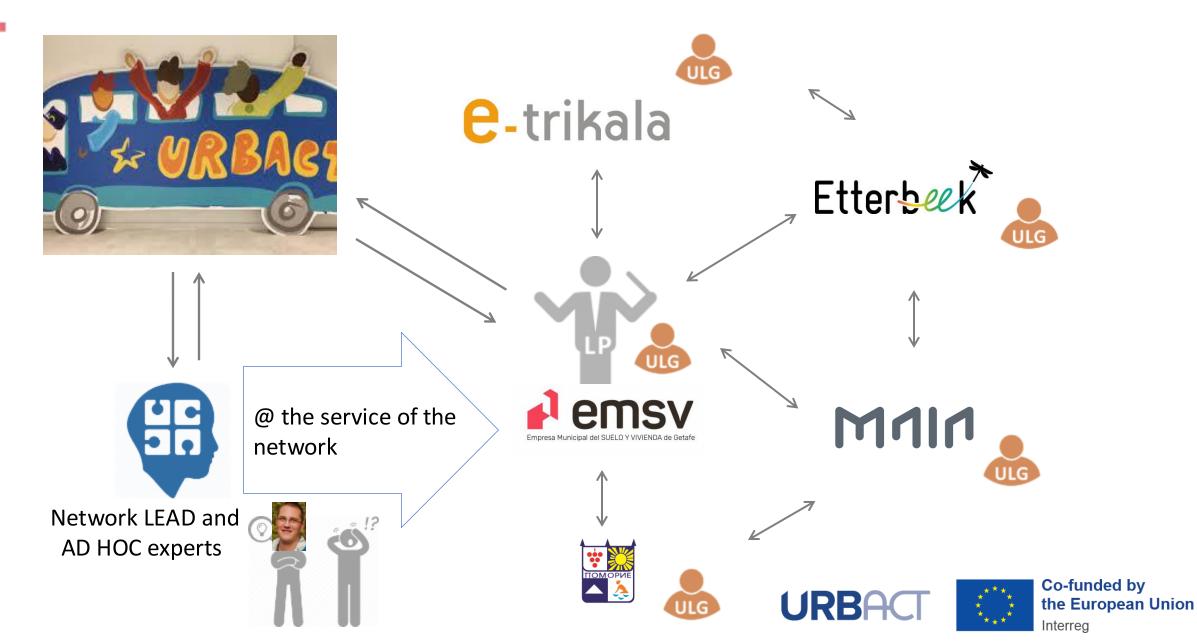
Integrated Approach







The URBACT Network is like an Orchestra on the tour



What is the purpose of this transfer process?













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NETWORK LEVEL



LOCAL LEVEL

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Reflecting E&L activities State of transfer process

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ULG Set up & Visioning









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- + other tailor-made Capacity building activities inlouding on crosscutting Gender, Green, Digital;
 - Knowledge capture, uptake and sharing, visibility activities & support with policy advocacy along the journey;
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tools for integrated partcipatory approaches, Resourcing & Financing, etc.



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The Network **Final Report**

3rd Network article Network results, Future prospects



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Finalisation



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Linking Transational and Local Activities is the essence









NETWORK LEVEL

Getting inspired by other cities across Europe with various exchange and learning activities















URBACT Local Group Set up









Final Investment/ **Continuity Plan**

LOCAL LEVEL

Strengthening your skills by experimenting participatory and integrated approaches









Your main deliverable

Lead Partner



Continuity Plan

Transfer Partners



Investment Plan



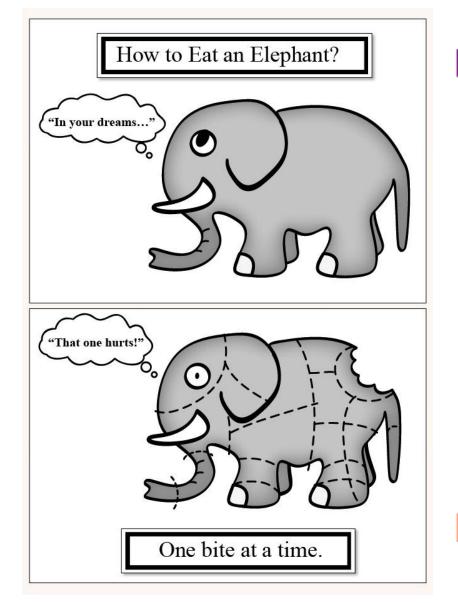








How are we going to do it?













STEP 1: Forming your ULG!













About the URBAC Local Group?

Each URBACT partner is required to set up a <u>Local Group</u> gathering <u>key local</u> <u>stakeholders</u> in order to co-produce city strategies and action plans.

The main objective of the ULG is to bring around the table the different interests at stakes and different perspectives to frame problems and agree policy priorities, and concrete solutions to address these problems in the most efficient way.

It is <u>not a "one size fits all" framework</u>. Depending on the issue they want to address, on the local context and previous experiences, each ULG will build on a different mix of local stakeholders (e.g. members of other departments, elected representatives, different tiers of government, beneficiaries, NGOs, private sectors, etc.).

The URBACT LSG Toolkit & EmPowerIngUs ULG Tips & Tricks.











Let's discuss...

