

Urban Europe Foresight Workshop

Date: 7. November 2011, 10:00 – 16:00

Location: AIT Foresight and Policy Development
Tech Gate Vienna, 7th Floor, Donau City Straße 1, 1220 Vienna

The workshop is held in cooperation with the European Foresight Platform

The vision of the JPI Urban Europe is to fundamentally rethink and manage the dynamics of urban development in Europe to sustain and enhance urban areas as a place of vitality, liveability and accessibility. To reach these aims Urban Europe provides a systemic and human-centered approach which takes utmost advantage of emerging technologies, assessing their potential and socio-economic impacts and utilising them in fundamentally new urban policies and design strategies.

Foresights are an important instrument to enable broad stakeholder participation in the development of long-term scenarios and the elaboration of research, innovation, policy and business strategies. The JPI Urban Europe focuses on a long-term perspective (2050 and beyond), utilises foresight activities to determine substantial new insights into urban requirements and developments with a long-term time horizon of 2050+, and develops urban scenarios and contribute to a long-term research agenda.

For identification and elaboration of most relevant foresight topics in the context of urban development foresight experts and interested representatives of Urban Europe are invited to a workshop series. While the first workshop, organised by the European Foresight Platform, resulted in the identification of three main foresight topics, this second workshop aims at elaborating these topics in more detail and taking next steps towards a call for a first Urban Europe foresight activity beginning of 2012. In particular the workshop should formulate key elements of a first Urban Europe foresight activity with special emphasis on key questions, relevant stakeholders as well as methodological aspects.

Programme:

10:00 hrs	<p>Welcome, introduction of participants (Margit Noll, <i>Vice Executive Director, Joint Programme Initiative Urban Europe</i>)</p> <p>Introduction to JPI Urban Europe: Central questions and desired outcome of the workshop (Margit Noll, <i>Vice Executive Director, JPI Urban Europe</i>)</p> <p>Presentation of key-results from the EFP Policy-Workshop on Screening Urban Foresight from April 2011 (Klaus Kubeczko, AIT – Foresight & policy Development)</p>
10:20 hrs	<p>Chair: Matthias Weber (<i>Head of Unit Research, Technology and Innovation Policy, Austrian Institute of Technology</i>)</p> <p>Presentation of the draft outline for 3 potential foresight topics for the pilot phase (Margit Noll, AIT)</p> <p>Presentation of the Finish foresight activities (Ilmari Absetz, Tekes)</p> <p>Discussion of the outline and setting of the working sessions</p>
11:00 hrs to 15:00 hrs	<p>Working Sessions to elaborate Foresight topics for the pilot phase (depending on the number of participants, sessions can be held in parallel or consecutively)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Discussion of these topics with special emphasis on key questions, critical aspects, • Expected role for the Strategic Research Agenda of Urban Europe • Foresight methods, participation of relevant stakeholders ...
11:00 hrs	Session on Theme 1: Urban Megatrends – the world of cities in 2050
11:45 hrs	Session on Theme 2: European Networks of Cities
12:30 hrs	Lunch
13:00 hrs 13:45	<p>Session on Theme 3: Adaptive Urban Regions</p> <p>Reports from the Sessions 1 – 3 by the rapporteurs</p>
14:10 hrs	Coffee Break
14:25 hrs	<p>Formulating key elements of a first Urban Europe Foresight, <i>Chair: t.b.a.</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Key elements for a first Urban Europe 2050+ foresight activity o Methodological aspects and foresight procedures
16:00 hrs	End

