

“PROUD” Project

Promoting Urban Sustainable Development in Local Authorities

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Core Partners:

Biopolitics International Organisation, Greece

Municipality of Sabadell, Spain

Planet A.E., Greece

Laser Technology North West, UK

Promoters:

Europa Media Psc, Hungary

**Institute of Education and Communication, Czech University of life
Sciences, Czech Republic**

Union of Cyprus Municipalities

Malta Environment and Planning Authority

Project Rationale

- **Need for training in sustainable development issues.**
- **Local Authorities indicated as having a major role in implementation of Agenda 21.**
- **Limited knowledge regarding the concept of sustainability.**
- **Absence of training.**

Project Objectives

Target group:

- a) Local Authority Officers
- b) Policy Makers

Other Potential Users:

- a) National Unions of Local Authorities
- b) Environment Advisory Centers and Councils
- c) Government and NGO education institutions

Project Objectives

Specific aims:

- a) **The encouragement and support of Local Authorities in developing Local Action Plans**

- b) **The provision of training on the promotion of urban sustainable development policies and practices**

Project Methodology

- **The assessment of the urban environment and sustainable development, and the role of the local authorities in the EU**
- **Development of an environmental performance review and evaluation of the 4 new member states involved in the project.**
- **Development of the Training e-tool based on the priority themes set by the Commission.**
- **Testing of the Training e-tool.**
- **Dissemination, promotion and valorisation of the developed tools to the broadest possible audience.**

Project Outcome

4 Training Modules:

**Sustainable Urban Management
(Biopolitics International Organisation)**

**Sustainable Urban Transport
(Planet A.E.)**

**Sustainable Urban Construction
(Municipality of Sabadell)**

**Sustainable Urban Design
(Laser Technology North West)**

MODULE 1

PROMOTING URBAN SUSTAINABLE
DEVELOPMENT IN LOCAL AUTHORITIES
GUIDE FOR LOCAL AUTHORITIES

Sustainable Urban Management

Environmental
Management
Economy

Society



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MODULE 2

PROMOTING URBAN SUSTAINABLE
DEVELOPMENT IN LOCAL AUTHORITIES
GUIDE FOR LOCAL AUTHORITIES

Sustainable Urban Transport

Reduction of traffic

Traffic Management

Mobility management



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MODULE 3

PROMOTING URBAN SUSTAINABLE
DEVELOPMENT IN LOCAL AUTHORITIES
GUIDE FOR LOCAL AUTHORITIES

Sustainable Urban Construction

Eco-construction

Eco-management

Indoor environment



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MODULE 4

Land use

Sustainable transport

Cultural heritage

Green space and

biodiversity
Mobilising society

EU and National resources

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The importance of promoting and cultivating environmental awareness and consciousness is increasing year after year. The number of environmental problems is increasing, especially in the urban areas, resulting to significant implications on the human health, impacts on the wider environment and climate change, as well as the quality of life and the economic performance of the cities themselves. Around 80% of the European Union's population lives in cities and towns. Urban areas are, therefore, the places where environmental problems most affect the quality of life

CORE PARTNERS



Biopolitics International Organisation, Greece *Core Partner*

Biopolitics International Organisation is the coordinator of the module on “**Sustainable Urban Management**”. It will provide the project with scientific support and contribute to the implementation of the Training e-Tool. Furthermore, B.I.O. is the coordinator of WP3 “Development of the Training e-Tool”, and responsible for the **design and development of the website** where all the tutorials will be uploaded.

<http://www.biopolitics.gr/>

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Municipality of Sabadell, Spain *Core Partner*

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Sustainable Urban Management



- ✓ Environmental management
- ✓ Economy
- ✓ Social welfare

Sustainable Urban Transport



- ✓ Reduction of traffic
- ✓ Traffic management
- ✓ Mobility management

Sustainable Urban Construction



- ✓ Eco-construction
- ✓ Eco-management
- ✓ Creating a satisfactory indoor environment valuing both comfort and health

Sustainable Urban Design



- ✓ Land use
- ✓ Sustainable Transport
- ✓ Cultural heritage and history
- ✓ Green space and biodiversity
- ✓ Mobilising society
- ✓ EU and national resources

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Environment

- Land management
- Urban ecology
- Water management
- Waste management
- Alternative energy
- Mobility and transport

Economy

- Capacity building for sustainable development
- Economy and finance
- Employment creation
- Education

Society

With an estimated 50% of the world's population living in cities, cities have become the engines of modern society, the centres of economic, political, social and cultural activity, and magnets that attract the rural poor. Beginning with the more developed countries of Europe and North America, and now in Asia, Africa and Latin America, cities are spreading out in all directions, consuming farms and open spaces lying in their path. In the face of rapid growth, public services like water supply, sewerage disposal and power generation have been hard pressed to keep pace with the demand. In this context, sustainable urban management is not only an imperative in improving the quality of the urban environment, but a prerequisite for securing a healthy living environment for Europe's urban citizens.

The objectives of this module are therefore to:

- Raise awareness of the key principles of sustainable urban management
- Present urban management issues from the scope of the environment, the economy, and society
- Stress the links that exist between sustainable urban management and the improvement of the environmental performance and quality of urban areas
- Set out the nature of the challenges, what action has been



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