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URBAN ARENAS
FOR SUSTAINABLE AND JUST CITIES

CO-CREATIVELY DISTILLING ACTIONABLE SOLUTIONS FOR CITY-MAKERS

Increasing poverty and inequality, made worse by the recent financial and housing crises, are putting the social cohesion and resilience of European cities to the test. Yet cities play a key role in responding to the great challenges of our time.

Many researchers and innovators have focused on understanding urban social inequality and ecological unsustainability and have identified numerous ways of making cities more just and sustainable. This knowledge and experience needs to be further consolidated and effectively communicated.

URBANA TAKES UP THIS CHALLENGE

- Distilling and sharing knowledge generated by research and innovation projects and translating it into action.
- Facilitating interaction and knowledge exchange.
- Empowering UrbanA participants to apply this knowledge locally.
- Influencing policies in favor of sustainable and just cities.

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Four co-creative spaces, known as Arena events, will bring together city-thinkers and city-makers from across Europe. They will be invited to connect with one another, to reflect on previous research, to exchange expertise and ideas, and to generate promising approaches to creating sustainable, inclusive and thriving cities. Each Arena event takes place in a different city and focuses on a specific theme. The events will be blended gatherings, allowing people to participate either in person or online.

			
ROTTERDAM	BARCELONA	BERLIN	BRUSSELS
28-29 November 2019	4-5 June 2020	Feb/ March 2021	October 2021

MAPPING
APPROACHES
TO URBAN
SUSTAINABILITY
AND JUSTICE

UNDERSTANDING
HOW MAKING
CITIES
SUSTAINABLE
CAN CREATE
(IN)JUSTICE

IDENTIFYING
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Are you a policy-maker, activist, entrepreneur, intellectual or citizen engaged and interested in making cities better? Are you from a grassroots initiative, a social enterprise, a citizens' group, an NGO, a university, a think tank or a local government? Are you curious about what others are doing? UrbanA offers you the opportunity to connect and reflect with other city makers, to help distil best practices and, most importantly, to contribute to a sustainable and just future.

YOU CAN GET INVOLVED AS AN URBANA FELLOW OR AS A PARTICIPANT IN THE ARENA EVENTS

- **UrbanA fellow.**

You will join all four Arena events. You will be offered a place in the program, social media profile and reimbursement of your travel costs up to a maximum of 350 euros (per event). In return you contribute by sharing your knowledge or skills for example, by writing a blog.

- **UrbanA participant.**

You can participate in one or all of the Arena events in Rotterdam, Barcelona, Berlin or Brussels.

To apply to become an **UrbanA fellow** or to register as a **participant** please see the UrbanA website: www.urban-arena.eu/arenas.

You can also become part of our Community of Practice alongside the Arena events. Within the Community of Practice we learn together about sustainable and just cities through blogs and podcasts, arena webinars and the UrbanA-wiki. By registering for our newsletter (www.urban-arena.eu/newsletter), you will have access to the Community of Practice and have the opportunity to co-shape it.



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