



APPLY NOW!

CALL FOR FELLOW CITIES

Apply to become a **WeGenerate Fellow City** if your city is interested in learning about and exchanging on innovative urban regeneration projects with community engagement at the core.

DEADLINE: 1 MARCH 2024

WeGenerate is a Horizon Europe research and innovation project that supports local governments in four Demo Cities - Bucharest, Cascais, Cesena, and Tampere - as they revitalise different urban districts with sustainable, low emission, inclusive, people-centered approaches.

The Demo Cities will work with experts and stakeholders to improve their understanding and capabilities in **social innovation, participatory planning, digital applications, sustainable mobility, and energy** in the **built environment**.

SHARING INNOVATION

The Demo Cities will co-create and implement innovative solutions to address local technical and social challenges and **share their learnings** throughout the process with **five (5) diverse Fellow Cities** as part of the project's **peer-to-peer learning and exchange network**.

Fellow Cities - with financial and expert support from project and local partners - will further test the innovations' replication and mainstreaming potential during their own local WeGenerate Replication Roadmap process.

FELLOW CITY BENEFITS

Gain early access to project results!

- early project results, lessons learnt and project innovations;
- peer-to-peer learning and exchange within a network of cities;
- learning opportunities tailored to local urban regeneration needs;
- funding for travel and accommodation to participate in eight (8) on-site visits to the Demo Cities to learn, exchange and observe the implementation measures in the urban regeneration pilots in these cities;
- support and advice from project partners to assess the replication potential of the urban regeneration solutions piloted in the project, and to align them with local existing urban development and renovation goals, financing opportunities, and key policy and legislation frameworks;
- 10.000€ in financial support for the local authority (applicant) to prepare a WeGenerate Replication Roadmap for implementing solutions tested by the project to be adapted to a redevelopment area or project in your city.

THE DEMO CITIES

OPEN CAMPUS FOR NEIGHBOURHOOD AND CLIMATE

Bucharest (Romania) will go beyond the state-of-the-art by showing how a new sharing economy model can be realised by opening up university campuses through urban regeneration. Community energy sharing is faced with many challenges in the regulatory framework of Romania. Novel ways of practice and business models (e.g., rent-a-roof solar scheme, Energy-as-a-Service, etc.) are needed to overcome the existing barriers. This Demo will establish a pioneer precedent for energy sharing as well as open spaces in socially mixed urban communities.



SOCIAL NEIGHBOURHOOD AS AN ACTIVE ENERGY COMMUNITY

Cascais (Portugal) plans to establish a decarbonisation living lab and citizen energy community that engages residents from diverse social backgrounds, including deprived social housing neighborhoods, to provide first-hand evidence of the potential for energy communities to reduce energy poverty, a pressing social problem affecting 20% of Portugal's population. The energy community will share PV electricity generated in public buildings with energy-poor households at a lower price or for free.

RE-ACTIVATING URBAN SPACE FROM CITY GATEWAY TO NEIGHBOURHOOD

Cesena (Italy) will show how the regeneration of the train station district can be leveraged to create new social, economic, and environmental values for a deprived neighbourhood in the vicinity. WeGenerate will propel the regeneration process beyond the status quo by integrating innovative technological, social, and aesthetic actions in the existing plan.

HUMAN-CENTRIC WALKABLE CITY

Tampere (Finland) aims to revitalize its declining city center with a sustainable, people-centric focus using the latest digital technologies like Digital Twin and Metaverse. Metaverse is used in urban planning to provide immersive experiences, allowing citizens to see and provide feedback on proposed changes. The Demo will pioneer the use of these digital technologies to broaden and deepen social participation in urban regeneration.



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TIMELINE

JANUARY 2024

OPEN CALL

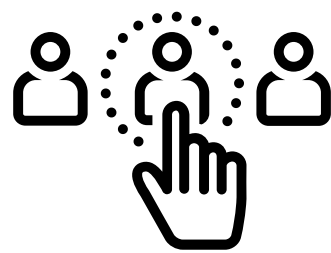
The call for WeGenerate Fellow Cities will be open from January 2024 to March 2024. Applications can be submitted via EC Survey.



MARCH 2024

SELECTION & CONTRACTING

Fellow Cities will be selected and formalised with a sub-contract agreement.



SPRING & FALL 2024

STUDY VISITS TO DEMO CITIES

Experts from selected Fellow Cities will travel to and participate in 2-3 days Study Visits to Demo Cities (4 trips).



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ASSESSMENT

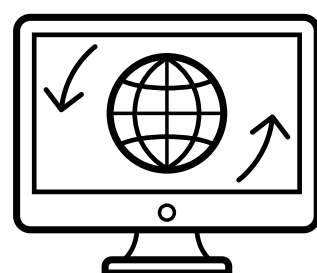
Work with project experts and local stakeholders to assess and identify opportunities for the WeGenerate approaches in your city.



ONGOING

ONLINE LEARNING & EXCHANGE

The WeGenerate Cities will regularly convene online to address high-priority learning needs and exchange with one another.



Learn more at:

www.wegenerate.eu