



# GREEN DIGITAL CHARTER & KNOWLEDGE SOCIETY FORUM JOINT MEETING Draft agenda

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The year 2017 will be crucial for the completion of the Digital Single Market, and cities will play an important role in this process. The forthcoming implementation of the EU's new digital laws and the launch of the Urban Agenda partnership on digital transition will have a major direct impact at local level.

On the occasion of the winter meeting of its knowledge society forum, EURO CITIES wishes to engage in a dialogue with officials and representatives of the EU institutions and other stakeholders to make the most of the planned digital policies and initiatives. While assessing the real needs and priorities of cities related to urban digital transition, participants will also exchange views on current and future implementation challenges and obstacles.

The political debate in the morning will be followed by two parallel technical workshops dedicated to specific policy issues. Concrete cases, project examples, and initiatives will be cited to illustrate how cities can become smarter through the use of digital solutions.

The EURO CITIES Green Digital Charter ([www.greendigitalcharter.eu](http://www.greendigitalcharter.eu)) is one such initiative. It commits 51 European cities, representing almost 27 million citizens, to work together and deliver on the objectives of improving the quality of life in cities using digital solutions. The workshop participants will also develop recommendations to help local authorities and EU institutions jointly achieve their policy and project objectives.

## **CITIES IN TRANSITION** The role of digital in shaping our future cities



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8:45

**Registration**

9:15

**Plenary session****The role of digital in shaping our future cities**

Panel discussion on the occasion of the launch of the Urban Agenda partnership on digital transition

**Welcome:** John Frank, MICROSOFT vice president EU government affairs and Anna Lisa Boni, EUROCITIES secretary general

- Kaja Kallas MEP
- Eddy Hartog, head of unit smart mobility and living, European Commission
- Eedi Sepp, advisor, Estonian Ministry of the Interior (tbc)
- Mary-Ann Schreurs, deputy mayor on innovation, Eindhoven
- Roberta Cocco, alderman on digital transformation, Milan
- Political representative from Oulu (tbc)

**Moderator:** Dorthe Nielsen, EUROCITIES policy director

10:30

**Coffee break**

11:00

**Parallel workshops****A. Data**

How will the landscape change after the General Data Protection Regulation?

**Moderator:** Bart Rosseau, Ghent

**Initial input:**

- EC rep, DG JUST
- Helsinki

**C. IoT and the future city**

How will IoT and IoE change cities and society?

**Moderator:** Adrian Slatcher, Manchester

**Initial input:**

- Olavi Luotonen, DG CNECT
- Representative of MICROSOFT
- Martin Brynskov, Synchronics city project

**B. eGovernment**

How to better involve local authorities in the implementation of the eGovernment action plan?

**Moderator:** Federica Bordelot, EUROCITIES

**Initial input:**

- Juan Arregui, DG CNECT
- Amsterdam

**D. Standards**

What are the priorities of cities in the development of standards?

**Moderator:** Christophe Colinet, Bordeaux

**Initial input:**

- Svetoslav Mihaylov, DG CNECT
- Bart de Lathouwer, ESPRESSO project

12:30

**Networking lunch**

13:30

**Parallel workshops****E. Urban Platforms**

How can cities benefit from co-creating requirements for their future urban platforms?

**Moderator:** Graham Colclough, Urban DNA

**Initial input:**

- Svetoslav Mihaylov, DG CNECT
- Andrew Collinge, London

**G. Connectivity**

How will the new and ambitious connectivity package affect cities' business models for deploying broadband?

**Moderator:** Staffan Ingvarsson, Stokab, Stockholm

**Initial input:**

- Nancy Pascal, DG CNECT
- Bristol

**F. Performance measurement of smart city projects**

Which are the identified needs and what are the latest developments?

**Moderator:** Nikolaos Kontinakis, EUROCITIES

**Initial input:**

- Eric Lecomte, DG ENER
- Nikolaos Kontinakis, CITYKeys
- Piero Pelizzaro, Milan

**H. Procurement for innovation**

Is this the way to deploy open and ever-evolving technological solutions?

**Moderator:** Eindhoven (tbc)

**Initial input:**

- Matija Matoković, DG GROW
- Albert Seubers, ATOS

15:00

**Plenary session**

**- Reporting from the workshops: "Conclusions & what next?"**

**- GDC awards for smart city projects**

16:00

**End of conference**