Co-creation in the context of sustainable cities: concepts, challenges and perspectives

Thursday 7 September 2023 at 3 p.m. CEST, virtual seminar (Zoom)

The Sustainable Cities Platform cordially invites you to its virtual seminar: ***'Co-creation in the context of sustainable cities: concepts, challenges and perspectives'***. This 60-minute seminar aims to present the concept and principles of co-creation, as well as the various challenges that may exist in order to make co-creation processes truly inclusive and adapted to the context of each territory. A **second seminar** organised on 22 September 2023 at 3pm CEST will focus on putting these principles into practice through three concrete examples from platform members and partners.

Agenda for the meeting :

- 3 p.m.: welcome of participants and presentation of the Sustainable Cities Platform
- 3.05 p.m.: key concepts, attitudes and tools for facilitating multi-stakeholder co-creation processes (Mariela Wismann)
- 3.20 p.m.: Territorial co-creation in a context of cultural diversity: the case of Morocco (Amal Erragh)
- 3.35 p.m.: Meeting the challenges of inclusion in the co-creation of citizen participation processes in Morocco (Hélène Lambert)
- 3.50 p.m.: discussion
- 4 p.m.: end of the event

Simultaneous translation into French, Spanish and English is provided.

Description of speakers :

Mariela Wismann, Director of the Good Food for Cities programme in Latin America, Rikolto

Facilitating multi-actor processes is both an art and a science. Mariela will present **the key concepts, attitudes and tools** required to set up a co-creation process within the framework of multi-stakeholder partnerships. Her presentation will draw on the toolbox developed by Rikolto to train its collaborators and partners, as well as on its extensive experience of co-creation in the field of sustainable food systems in Latin America.

Amal Erragh, territorial coordinator, Enabel in Morocco

Amal will talk about **territorial co-creation** in Morocco, as an innovative process aimed at encouraging collaboration between different stakeholders to design and co-produce territorial projects. The Moroccan context, characterised by a rich cultural and regional diversity, and geographical, linguistic and cultural specificities, has profoundly influenced the co-creation approach adopted. This **multi-actor approach** encourages the participation of citizens, civil society organisations, public institutions and the private sector, with the aim of developing solutions specific to each locality.

Hélène Lambert, Project Manager for Citizen Participation, Gender Equality and Social Inequalities, Enabel in Morocco

Hélène will discuss the general challenges of **inclusion** in co-creation and the strategies put in place as part of a citizen participation project in Morocco. Firstly, the general challenges relating to inclusion in co-creation processes will be presented. Secondly, Hélène will present the approach and strategies adopted to encourage the involvement and consideration of the needs of women and young people, including those from disadvantaged groups, in a project aimed at supporting the dynamics of citizen participation in Morocco, in particular through co-creation.

Moderator: Charlotte Flechet, Director of Rikolto's Good Food for Cities international programme.

Event schedule

Tegucigalpa, Honduras	Thu, 7 Sep 2023 at 07:00 CST
Lima, Peru	Thu, 7 Sep 2023 at 08:00 PET
Dakar, Senegal	Thu, 7 Sep 2023 at 13:00 GMT
Rabat, Morocco	Thu, 7 Sep 2023 at 14:00 WEST
Kinshasa, Congo Dem. Rep.	Thu, 7 Sep 2023 at 14:00 WAT
Brussels, Belgium	Thu, 7 Sep 2023 at 15:00 CEST
Bukavu, Congo Dem. Rep.	Thu, 7 Sep 2023 at 15:00 CAT
Dar es Salaam, Tanzania	Thu, 7 Sep 2023 at 16:00 EAT
Hanoi, Vietnam	Thu, 7 Sep 2023 at 20:00 ICT
Denpasar, Indonesia	Thu, 7 Sep 2023 at 21:00 WITA

Registration and participation: please register by completing the following form (and then we will send you an Outlook meeting request): https://forms.gle/W2sRWREEHocCjocS7 or use this Zoom link: https://us06web.zoom.us/j/84025384097

More information: Charlotte Flechet (charlotte.flechet@rikolto.org) or Karlien Gorissen (karlien.gorissen@vvsg.be)

The sustainable cities platform

The JSF **Sustainable Cities** is a platform created as part of a grant programme funded by the Belgian federal government DGD (Directorate-General for Development Cooperation and Humanitarian Aid) within which stakeholders discuss, exchange and collaborate on the contribution to sustainable cities in the world through international cooperation. The platform has 5 active members: VVSG (Association of Flemish Cities and Municipalities) - the platform's lead organisation, UVCW (the Union of Cities and Municipalities of Wallonia), Brulocalis (the Association of the City and Municipalities of Brussels), the NGO Echos Communication, and the NGO Rikolto. A number of other players, including NGOs,

institutional players and Enabel, are closely involved in developing the activities. Together, these actors are working to create sustainable cities that achieve the SDGs. The sustainable city operates within the ecological limits of the planet while guaranteeing the minimum social conditions necessary for the well-being of its inhabitants.