

JPI „URBAN EUROPE“
Workshop

Minutes
Inputs Networks

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1. Urban Net



Website

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http://cordis.europa.eu/fetch?CALLER=FP6_PROJ&ACTION=D&DOC=11&CAT=PROJ&QUERY=0126e088b171:394e:69eda89d&RCN=79974

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Questions

1. Where do you see possible links between your own network and „Urban Europe“?

- Urban Net exists for 3 years
- Themes of JPI and Urban Net have a lot of overlap, Urban Net does promote “sustainability” more prominently
- JPI has broader scope, e.g. transport, but in the ERA nets this is covered by ERA transport
- Urban Net uses similar funding sources in the EU, but the funding scope of URBAN EUROPE is “broader”
- Urban Net does not focus on application (e.g. demonstration projects) so much → difference
- Cooperation and competition close together, but they are going to support the JPI

2. How could your network and “Urban Europe” as a possible JPI collaborate in the future?

- Support for lobbying
- Urban Net knows the national contact points and can inform them about the JPI

3. What specific recommendations does your network offer to optimise the proposal on “Urban Europe”?

- Support for lobbying
- Emphasis: Urban research is underrepresented in the EU research landscape AND on the national level (not every country conducts an urban research programme)
- Create a main message/innovative idea addressing a European challenge
- Cities are places of solutions, not of problems
- “sustainability” should be an overall objective/precondition, not merely referred to in Module 1
- What is meant by “rethinking” and “managing”: text says no start from scratch, but rethinking implicitly includes that (contradiction)
- Better balance between technology and socio-economic perspective
- Refer to neglected areas/disadvantages neighbourhoods, which have not the capacity to encounter the necessary changes themselves
- Follow the line of argumentation: avoidance → efficiency → enhancement → alternative/new solution
- Emphasis: international relations/exchange of good, knowledge, migrants
- Future developments of urban way of live are (1) both shrinking and sprawl at the same time and (2) growing part of leisure, sports, outdoor activities
- Integrate the different scales of urban scale: region, city, urban quarters, buildings

2. European Energy Research Alliance (EERA)



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Questions

1. Where do you see possible links between your own network and „Urban Europe“?
2. How could your network and “Urban Europe” as a possible JPI collaborate in the future?
 - EERA new network
 - Could make use of JPI: JPI provides test beds/demonstration areas, EERA could emphasise the technology part (energy) and in the end the JPI could serve with validation and evaluation means
3. What specific recommendations does your network offer to optimise the proposal on “Urban Europe”?
 - Emphasis: outcomes are tools for policy makers
 - Emphasis: European Research Alliance
 - JPI creates knowledge and transfers it to policy makers and citizens
 - JPI takes research findings and make them applicable

3. European Construction Technology Platform (ECTP)



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Questions

1. Where do you see possible links between your own network and „Urban Europe“?
 - JPI can help to utilise technology, ECTP can provide technology research
 - ECTP consists of 35 running platforms dealing with construction
 - Network of firms (architects, designers,...)
 - 200 organisations are involved
 - Virtual network, not fixed headquarter
 - Aim: Development of a research strategy for construction “Built environment”
 - Dealing with Infrastructure (underground, streets)
 - 10-20 years perspective
 - 2 new programmes in development:
 - o Energy Efficient Building Programme (40% of energy is consumed by buildings, development of neutral or energy producing buildings)
 - o Construction and Control System for Buildings
 - They have links to FINE (Future Infrastructure Network Europe), potential partner
2. How could your network and “Urban Europe” as a possible JPI collaborate in the future?
 - JPI can help to utilise technology, ECTP can provide technology research
 - ECTP also works with roadmaps → potential for cooperation
3. What specific recommendations does your network offer to optimise the proposal on “Urban Europe”?

4. ERA-Net Transport



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1. Where do you see possible links between your own network and „Urban Europe“?

- ERA-Net Transport has no clear position to Urban Europe so far, as they have not discussed it yet
- ERA-Net Transport was set up 2004, but the underlying network existed already before
- Aim: cooperation of experts, join forces
- Roots of ERA-Net Transport is EPTR (European Platform on Transport Research)
- EPTR group aims on improving the coordination of national transport research policies and to strengthen trans-national transport research activities in areas of common interest
- ERA-Net Transport must be more strategic (JPI can learn from this)

2. How could your network and “Urban Europe” as a possible JPI collaborate in the future?

- JPI and ERA-Net Transport have a lot of overlapping topics (e.g. e-mobility, road user charging, the elderly in transport, security issues)

3. What specific recommendations does your network offer to optimise the proposal on “Urban Europe”?

- Big challenge of the JPI is the involvement of actors → how will that be done?
- Emphasis the implementation of management and policy tools
- Give hints how the existing research landscape can be embedded

5. Programme de recherché et d'innovation dans les transports terrestres (PREDIT) & Member of ERA-Net Transport



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- Suggests a early involvement of existing networks
- ERA-Net Transport is in the end of the 2. phase, they think about the 3. phase – creating an ERA-Net Plus for electro mobility
- Urban Europe could be an opportunity for “criticising” sectoral approaches (of PREDIT) in a positive way

2. How could your network and “Urban Europe” as a possible JPI collaborate in the future?

- Lobbying is important
- He suggests to meet and see how JPI and ERA-Net Transport and PREDIT could work together

3. What specific recommendations does your network offer to optimise the proposal on “Urban Europe”?

- Holistic system is a heavy word, he would suggests more specifications

6. French Alliance for the Environment (Sustainable City and Mobility) Alliance for the Environment (AllEnvi)



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Questions

1. Where do you see possible links between your own network and „Urban Europe“?
 - Too many initiatives on national level in France, focus and coordination would be helpful
2. How could your network and “Urban Europe” as a possible JPI collaborate in the future?
3. What specific recommendations does your network offer to optimise the proposal on “Urban Europe”?
 - Widen the focus, not only Europe, but also global connection, especially in transport issues
 - JPI has potential for observatory research and data collection

7. POLIS



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Questions

1. Where do you see possible links between your own network and „Urban Europe“?
 - Polis was set up 20 years ago
 - Network of cities, 70 member, 18 countries
 - Bringing together: needs of cities and research findings and stakeholders
 - Polis is involved in many European projects
 - Head: Brussels
 - Cooperation with: ERTRAC European Road Transport Research Advisory Council
 - 4 main topics: electro mobility, co-modal transportation, ICT, health and environment
2. How could your network and “Urban Europe” as a possible JPI collaborate in the future?
 - A lot of overlapping topics
 - Polis can provide cities on the demand site, as test beds, demonstration areas
 - They can bring results to a broader network of cities
3. What specific recommendations does your network offer to optimise the proposal on “Urban Europe”?