

SUSTAINABLE MED CITIES

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HIGHLIGHTS

The Sustainable MED Cities project will provide Mediterranean municipalities with a system of innovative tools and methodologies to develop effective policies, strategies and action plans, in order to optimise sustainability in the built environment.

PARTNERSHIP

The project includes 6 partners from 6 Mediterranean countries: 3 from the north sea basin (Spain, Italy and Greece) and 3 from the south sea basin (Tunisia, Lebanon and Jordan).

ABOUT

Combining the capitalisation of the Interreg MED project “[CESBA MED: Sustainable Cities](#)” with the ENI CBC MED project “[GreenBuilding](#)”, **Sustainable MED Cities** will provide Mediterranean municipalities with a **system of innovative tools and methodologies** to develop effective policies, strategies and action plans in relation to the Mediterranean Strategy for Sustainable Development 2016-2025.

In other words, the project aims to support the public administration in decision-making when they are delivering, implementing and monitoring efficient measures to **improve the sustainability of the cities**, and it also promotes the adoption of participatory processes and as well as the adoption of Multi-Level Governance approach in sustainable energy plans.

EVENTS

The kick-off meeting took place in Barcelona on October 2021. In addition, the partners had the opportunity to present the project in two international workshops: “City to city cooperation: successful practices and promising frameworks” and “Rethinking the Istanbul Environment-Friendly City Award”.



Sustainable MED Cities 

HIGHLIGHTS

To reduce energy demand and CO2 emissions in the Mediterranean, quantified data are needed. Therefore, the project will share tools and methodologies to set common targets and to measure the overall progress in terms of energy efficiency in urban areas. By doing this, the capacity to act of local authorities in sustainable built environment will increase. The adoption of participatory and multi-level governance approaches will increase too. Finally, the impact of policy instruments used by municipalities such as urban plans, strategic plans and building regulations will be addressed.



EXPECTED ACHIEVEMENTS

- Enhanced open-source assessment and rating system for planning and monitoring sustainability of buildings, neighbourhoods, and cities.
- Expanded generic framework and common tools that can be easily contextualized to national characteristics.
- Adapted local tools and demonstration pilots in three Mediterranean cities: Irbid (Jordan), Moukhtara (Lebanon) and Sousse (Tunisia).

WHO WILL BENEFIT

- Municipalities and regional authorities
- Energy and urban agencies
- Training centers and schools
- Designers, urban planners, architects and engineers
- Construction companies and materials producers
- Universities and research centers

PARTNERSHIP

01 GenCAT
Spain



02 iiSBE
Italy



03 Sousse Muni.
Tunisia



04 Moukhtara Muni.
Lebanon



05 Irbid Muni.
Jordan



06 NOA
Greece



07 UNEP/MAP
Associated Partner



08 MedCities
Associated Partner



0.7 M€

Total Budget

0.6 M€

EU Contribution

2 Years

Duration

6 Partners

6 countries

EVENTS

In order to reach a larger audience, we have designed a communication plan based on meetings, conferences, events, newsletters and training workshops. The most significant conferences where we will participate are the Sustainable Places Conferences [↗](#).

KICK-OFF

28th-29th October 2021
Barcelona, Spain

Hosting the 1st Consortium
Meeting in Barcelona



COMING SOON

Jul 22

SBE Series Conference

Oct 22

Mid-Term Int. Conference
Sustainable Places Conference

Nov 22

UN Environments/MAP and
MedCities event

Apr 23

UN Environments/MAP and
MedCities event

May-Jul 23

Three National Dissemination
Events in Irbid, Moukhtara
and Sousse

Sep 23

Final International Conference
Sustainable Places Conference

WORKSHOP

27th October 2021
Barcelona, Spain

City to city cooperation:
successful practices and
promising frameworks [↗](#)



WORKSHOP

26th October 2021
Barcelona, Spain

Rethinking the Istanbul
Environment-Friendly City
Award [↗](#)



PROJECT DURATION

1 October 2021
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30 September 2023