Thematic Group on Enabling People-Centred Cities through Digital Transformation

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Thematic Group Leaders

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Thematic Group Objectives

This thematic group aims to provide guidance and formulate a series of policy-based recommendations and assessment frameworks for driving digital transformation in an urban context, while improving smart and sustainable city governance.



Thematic Group Topic Areas

This thematic group touches on setting the context for digital transformation. Identifying policy benchmarks, assessments, guidelines and intergenerational procurement for people-centered cities.





Working Group 1



Setting the context:
Digital
Transformation for
People-Centred
Cities

Co-leaders: Okan Geray (Digital Dubai) and Victoria Papp (BOMA)

Ongoing

Scope

This Working Group will provide an overview of Digital Transformation in the context of cities and communities and will identify a series of use-cases relating to the upgrading of urban infrastructures using emerging technologies to facilitate digital transformation in cities in line with SDGs.

Upcoming Meetings

• 6 November 2024, 13:30-14:30 hours, Geneva time



Working Group 2



Policy Benchmarks for Digital Transformation of People-Centred Cities

Co-leaders: Bettina Tratz-Ryan (Gartner) and Mythili Menon (ITU)

Ongoing

Scope

This Working Group will establish a strategic policy framework underpinning the various guidelines for ethical, secure, and smart utilization of data and information and communication technologies for digital transformation and a carbonneutral future for all.



Upcoming Meetings

- 4 October 2024, 13:00-14:00 hours,
 Geneva time
- 28 October 2024, 13:00-14:00 hours, Geneva time
- 18 November 2024, 13:00-14:00 hours, Geneva time



Working Group 3



Digital Transformation Assessment of People-Centred Cities

Co-leaders: John
Smiciklas (Morguard)
and Gamze Geray
(Adjunct Faculty at
Middlesex University
Dubai)

Ongoing

Scope

This Working Group will create a methodological and holistic approach for assessing the digital transformation of people-centred cities including the development of a set of key performance indicators. It will also investigate impact assessment as a result of digital transformation in people-centred cities. This assessment tool is envisioned to be utilized to evaluate smart and sustainability projects in relation to their inclusivity and penetration of new and emerging technologies across verticals. It will consist of an open and extensible KPI framework which will enable intuitive visualization and monitor scalability for comparison between smart cities, simulations, and interrelationships.

Upcoming Meetings

31 October 2024, 13:30-14:30 hours, Geneva time



Working Group 4



Guidelines for
Unlocking Net Zero
in Cities Through
Sustainable Digital
Transformation

Leader: Leonidas
Anthopoulos
(Greece)

Ongoing

Scope

This Working Group will develop a set of guidelines which will highlight the enabling role of digital technologies and innovative solutions in driving carbon net zero efforts in different sectors of cities and will provide an integrated approach to urban transformation with a view to accelerate urban transitions to a net zero future.

Upcoming Meetings

- 29 October 2024, 10:00 11:00 Geneva time
- 26 November 2024, 10:00 11:00 Geneva time



Working Group 5



Intergenerational Procurement for People-Centred Cities

Co-leaders: Warren Smith
(Dangersmith SARL &
CURSHAW) and John
Davies (Department for
Business and Trade,
United Kingdom
Government)

Kick off

Scope

The Working Group on Intergenerational Procurement for People-Centred Cities would wholly align with the principles and actions contained within the UN Summit of the Future outcome documents. This group will produce a Model Policy on Intergenerational Procurement to support city administrations to meet the needs of people and the planet, today and for future generations, through digital transformation. It's anticipated that linkages with other WGs will be identified, which will reinforce the overall objectives of the Thematic Group in which each of these WGs co-exist.

Upcoming Meetings

- 31 October 2024, 14:00 15:00 Geneva time
 21 November 2024, 14:00 15:00 Geneva
 time
- 12 December 2024 , 14:00 15:00 Geneva time
- 16 January 2025, 14:00 15:00 Geneva time
- 20 February 2025, 14:00 15:00 Geneva time 20 March 2025, 14:00 15:00 Geneva time
- 17 April 2025, 14:00 15:00 Geneva time
- 15 May 2025, 14:00 15:00 Geneva time
- 19 June 2025, 14:00 15:00 Geneva time

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Thank you!



