



SmartEnCity Network Bulletin

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Dear Readers,

This months' Bulletin is all about communication activities in cities and efficient stakeholder engagement through informative and well-structured events.

One of our Lighthouse Cities – Sonderborg is sharing their experiences and outcomes from their local stakeholder engagement processes. In addition, David Drysdale continues with his series of articles about Integrated Energy Planning. This time he goes into the role of the planner and policy-makers in the decision-making, implementation and monitoring processes of planning.

Furthermore, Sonderborg won a prize in the Covenant of Mayors award “Covenant cities in the spotlight” which you can read more about in this bulletin. Several Smart Cities and Communities events are highlighted along with an invitation to this year’s Smart City Expo in Barcelona. All about these below!

Enjoy reading!

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Sonderborg's midway workshop



Peter Rathje is the managing director of ProjectZero which is the public private partnership behind Sonderborg' s vision of achieving CO₂ neutrality by 2029. Sonderborg is one of the lighthouse cities in the SmartEnCity project. In SmartEnCity, Peter is also a partner in the replication process and knowledge transfer to follower cities.

Peter was interviewed in regard to the Midway workshop that Sonderborg just completed, which was an important part of series of workshops that Sonderborg has implemented to carry out the Integrated Energy Planning process, “ordered” by the city council in April 2018. He provided us with a brief introduction to Sonderborg’ s main goal, milestones and shared valuable insight following the experience from the Midway workshop.

A main goal of Sonderborg municipality is to become CO₂ neutral by 2029 but in order to make sure that the goal is on track, ProjectZero created key milestones which are being supported with Roadmaps incorporated in the municipal planning. [Read full article.](#)

How is SmartEnCity contributing to zero carbon cities in Europe?

David Drysdale covered the series of articles describing the SmartEnCity approach to zero carbon city development where he explained the theory behind the four phases of Integrated Energy Planning. This article Part 5 is the last one from these series.

Part 5. Finalising and following the Integrated Energy Plan – The role of local authorities



Phase 4 of Integrated Energy Planning is where the Integrated Plan is developed. The Integrated Plan describes all the different projects or programs that will be implemented, which have been thoroughly discussed and evaluated in the first three phases of the process.

The local authority and relevant key stakeholders in the city should be the ones that decide which projects/programs will be added to the Integrated Plan. Ongoing monitoring of these projects is required to compare their outcomes against their expected impact. This requires that key sustainability indicators be developed and observed and monitored by the city on an ongoing basis. This article describes some requirements for this ongoing monitoring plus additional activities to ensure the Integrated Plan is carried out effectively. [Read full article.](#)

The SmartEnCity Network

The SmartEnCity Network’s vision is to enable Europe’s small and medium-sized cities to become fast growing Smart Zero Carbon Cities.

The Network offers honest and proven experiences, inspirational cases, integrated approach insights, knowledge sharing, tools and learnings from all members of the Network.

The SmartEnCity Network yet again continues to expand. We would like to welcome the last members that joined the Network. You can find more information about them here:

- [Tallinn, Estonia](#)
- [Elva, Estonia](#)
- [Pervomaisk, Ukraine](#)
- [Vitebsk, Belarus](#)

[Learn more about all city members on our SmartEnCity Network Platform.](#)



Smart mobility: a clever move



This event, hosted by Burgas, Bulgaria reflected on the latest policy developments by the European Commission comprising of three mobility packages branded "Europe on the Move" and aiming at assisting the EU transportation sector to become more sustainable and innovative, and ensuring that EU citizens enjoy safer, cleaner and smarter mobility solutions. [Read more](#) about the event and the main learnings from it.

4th Danish national based SmartEnCity Network meeting



The Danish Energy cities' collaboration under the SmartEnCity umbrella continues and in September 2018 had their 4th meeting which followed on their joint participation in the [People's Political Festival](#) from June 2018.

The cities are investigating possibilities to continue their collaboration within the SmartEnCity context by combining efforts with national based organisations too. [Read more here.](#)

Lighthouse city Sonderborg receives the Covenant of Mayors award



Sonderborg municipality recently won the EU's prestigious award "Covenant Cities in the Spotlight" for its results with regard to the city's and the area's vision about becoming CO₂-neutral by 2029. [Read the full press release.](#)

Cross SCC1 Replication workshop



The Smart Cities and Communities workshop in Stavanger aimed at facilitating a transfer of knowledge and experiences between the SCC1 communities in order to enable the replication of different smart city solutions in cities across Europe. The workshop was organised by the replication task group in collaboration with INEA, the European Commission and SCIS. [Read more.](#)

The EU corner –

Invitation to join Smart City Expo in Barcelona

The SCC1 project GrowSmarter encourages all SCC1 Lighthouse projects and cities across the globe to participate in the Smart City Expo World Congress in Barcelona this November 2018. The aim of the Expo is to empower cities across the world and accumulate urban innovation with one of the main initiatives being "Towards Zero Waste". [Find more information about the Smart City Expo here.](#)

The sessions GrowSmarter will host are related to:

- Low energy districts
- Sustainable urban mobility
- Integrated infrastructures, etc.

For more information about the GrowSmarter program at the Expo [here](#).

GrowSmarter event at the Expo:

When: 14-15 Nov. 2018

Where: Barcelona, @ Fira de Barcelona Gran Via

Register: [click here](#)

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