

Sharing Cities

Smart City Action Plan - Guidance

Sharing Cities, a European smart cities 'lighthouse' programme, is looking to work with three to five cities with an interest in replicating smart city solutions. Cities would get access to information and expertise, and benefit from the experiences of our lighthouse and fellow cities in implementing these solutions. Benefits of collaboration include:

- Direct contact with experts who are responsible for the implementation of various smart city measures
- On-site visit in one of the lighthouse cities to analyse the implementation
- Access to deliverables of the project that led to the implementation of the measures
- Testing of Sharing Cities engagement documents
- Visibility for their own initiatives
- Support for the development of a **smart city action plan**

The successful implementation and uptake of smart city measures depends on their integration within a broader -smart- city strategy of the city. Many of the solutions are interdependent and must work together to bring some significant results.

The **smart city action plan** mentioned above would constitute the final overall objective of this knowledge exchange between the Sharing Cities project and the selected cities. The aim will be for each selected city to develop or complement an existing smart city action plan, integrating some of the measures developed by Sharing Cities. This action plan should demonstrate an ambition to integrate these solutions and provide details on the process that would ensure the implementation of these solutions in the coming months or years.

The 10 measures implemented within Sharing Cities are:

- Building retrofit (social housing, private housing and public building)
- Digital Social Market (Citizen engagement tool for more sustainable choices)
- Sustainable Energy Management System
- Urban Sharing Platform
- Smart lampposts
- E-bikes
- E-car sharing
- E-logistics
- E-vehicle charging
- Smart parking

The smart city action plan will be a short document which will be developed in collaboration with Sharing Cities experts. In a first stage, we would expect the selected cities to elaborate on the context in which they operate, what are the problems and challenges they are facing and if they have already identified solutions to overcome those.

Later during the process, Sharing Cities representatives and the selected cities will discuss together the most relevant smart city solutions to potentially replicate. The last part of the action plan, after knowledge exchange with Sharing Cities experts, will contain details on the

next steps to be undertaken by the selected cities to implement these solutions and integrate them in the broader existing city plan or strategy.

The action plan should also demonstrate how the knowledge gathered will contribute to this strategy and how the Sharing Cities measures can complement this work.

A template to guide cities will be shared once the selection process is completed.