



The Urban Lab of
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However, their selection reflects the fact that their activities and results can contribute to the Just Transitions process, ensuring that we achieve climate neutrality without leaving any person or place behind. Each of them contributes to at least one, and in most cases several, of our three sub themes:

- Future skills forecasting
- Supporting emerging green sectors
- Skilling and Reskilling

These ten city cases have emerged from a filtering process that has included a scan of all UIA funded projects, a survey of 25 cities that are actively involved in some dimension of the green skills agenda, and city hearings with 10 UIA cities. The final selection reflects a mix in terms of city size and location and other criteria have included:

- Fit with wider territorial and EU strategies
- The scale of innovation
- The mix of interventions
- Results
- The potential for transfer and scaling

Appendix 2: UIA cities participating in our process

Albertslund - LINC
Amsterdam – RESILIO
Aveiro – STEAM City
Barcelona – GBG-A2CC
Brussels - CAIRGO
Cluj-Napoca – Future of Work
Cuenca – UFIL
Eindhoven – Passport 4 Work
Fuenlabrada - MILMA
Gothenburg – FED
Helsinki - HERO
Lappeenranta – Urban Infra Revolution
Ljubljana - APPLAUSE

Manchester – IGNITION
Milan – OPEN AGRI
Ostrava – CLAIRO
Paris – OASIS
Pozzuoli - MAC
Rotterdam – BRIDGE
Seville – CartujaQanat
Sofia – Innoair
Vaanta – Urban Growth GSIP
Växjö - DIACCESS
Viladecans - Vilawatt

Appendix 3: Key Witnesses

Matthew Bach – ICLEI
Anna Rubin, Kristine Langenbucher and Lukas Kleine - Rueschkamp – OECD
Stellina Chatzichristou – CEDEFOP
Dana Eleftheriadou - DG GROW
Gerry Muscat and Hubert Strauss - European Investment Bank

Appendix 4: Sounding Board Members

Nuala Morgan – URBACT
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