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THEORETICAL  
BACKGROUND  
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## Appendix

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## Appendix 1: Case Studies

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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

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## 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

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## Appendix 4: Sounding Board Members

Nuala Morgan – URBACT  
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Carlotta Fioretti – European Commission, Joint Research Centre  
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