

We, as signatories, commit ourselves to implement the ten following principles to enable the urban transition towards locally productive and globally connected cities. We embrace strategies in circular economy and digital social innovation, and foster collaboration between a global network of European and worldwide cities and territories to meet the planetary challenges presented by climate change and social inequalities.

1 ECOLOGICAL
We take an integrated approach to environmental stewardship, working towards a zero-emission future while also preserving biodiversity, rebalancing the nutrient cycle, and sustaining natural resources.

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2 INCLUSIVE
We promote equitable and inclusive policy co-design, through the development of a Commons Approach, regardless of age, gender, income-levels and capabilities.

3 GLOCALISM
We encourage global knowledge sharing between cities and territories in order to provide access to tools and solutions that could be adapted to local cultures and needs.

5 ECONOMIC GROWTH & EMPLOYMENT
We support sustainable urban economic growth by investing in building the skills, infrastructure and policy frameworks needed for the 21st century, thanks to a thorough consideration of social and environmental externalities and the implementation of the polluter pays principle.

4 PARTICIPATORY
We engage with all stakeholders in decision-making processes and empower citizens to take ownership of innovation and change-making.

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7 PEOPLE-CENTRED
We give priority to people and culture over technology, so that the city can become a living and resilient ecosystem. Autonomous vehicles, digital tools, artificial intelligence and robotic machines must be placed at the service of the people's well-being and expectations.

CITY

6 LOCALLY PRODUCTIVE
We support the efficient and shared use of all local available resources in a circular economy approach, to build a productive and vibrant city.

8 HOLISTIC
We address urban issues in all their dimension and interdependencies to build sustainable, resilient and inclusive cities for everyone.

MANIFESTO

9 OPEN SOURCE PHILOSOPHY
We foster a Digital Commons Approach that adheres to open source principles and values open data, in order to stimulate innovation and develop shared solutions between cities and territories.

10 EXPERIMENTAL
In order to meet the principles just outlined, we actively support the research, experimentation and deployment of innovation which includes but is not limited to: low impact supply chains; distributed production; renewable energy and smart grids; sustainable food and urban agriculture; recycling and reuse of materials, sustainable resource management for energy, food and materials.

These proposals have been drafted with the collaboration of Fab city global initiative members.