

## ***EUROCITIES Funding Officers Meeting 2026***

### ***Connecting City representatives to EU Funding***

**9-10 March 2026**

House of the Dutch Provinces (Cities Northern  
Netherlands EU Office)  
Rue de Trèves 59-61, 1000 Brussels  
4th floor.

#### **Monday, March 9**

**12.30 – 14.00**      **Brussels Urban Talks over lunch organised and hosted by Lyon Métropole, speaker tbc – Lyon Metropole**

**Are you looking for new partners for a European project or allies to advocate with you on a given topic?** The Brussels Urban Talks are your opportunity to pitch an idea, an initiative or a project to our participants! Should you be interested in taking the floor please reach out to Agnès Dieudonné and Amélie Smethurst: [adieudonne@grandlyon.com](mailto:adieudonne@grandlyon.com) ; [asmethurst@grandlyon.com](mailto:asmethurst@grandlyon.com)

**14.00 – 14.15**      **Welcoming introduction, Eurocities**

**14.15 – 14.30**      **Welcoming words, Angèle Liaigre – Cities Northern Netherlands**

**14.30 – 15.30**      **Multiannual Financial Framework 2028-2034 – Eurocities (tbc)**

Negotiations on the next Multiannual Financial Framework (MFF) will intensify at during the Cyprus Presidency (January - June 2026), with the first figures expected to be shaped by the end of the Presidency. The Irish Presidency (July - December 2026) is then set to play a decisive role in concluding the negotiations. In parallel, the European Parliament will be developing and negotiating its mandates across all MFF-related files, seeking to maximise its influence in the interinstitutional process with the Council.

This March 2026 session will provide an opportunity to take stock of the advocacy efforts undertaken by Eurocities and its member cities, assess progress achieved so far, and identify remaining gaps. The discussion will focus on agreeing on strategic priorities and next steps, ensuring that the final phase of the negotiations is used effectively to secure an MFF that is better aligned with cities' investment needs and their role in delivering EU objectives.

**15.30 – 16.00**      ***Coffee break***

**16.00 -17.00**      **Health at EU Level for Cities**

**From 18.00      Networking drinks**

Participants can continue networking at a venue that will be announced closer to the event date. Please note that drinks will be at their own expense.

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**Tuesday, March 10**

<b>09.30 – 10.30</b>	<b>Funding opportunities for Local Authorities : Fourth Innovative Actions Call for Proposals under the European Urban Initiative (EUI) (tbc)</b>
<b>10.30– 11.15</b>	<b>Cities securing EU funding: experiences, challenges and lessons learned</b>
<b>11.15 – 11.45</b>	<i>Coffee break</i>
<b>11.45-12.15</b>	<b>Eurocities Project presentation (tbd)</b>
<b>12.15-12.45</b>	<b>Eurocities EU Social Funding Taskforce</b>
<b>12:45</b>	<b>Closing</b>