

The 15-minute city: Scaling beyond the urban core

FORTHCOMING Research Project Final Event

27-28 May 2026, Brussels

Venue: Perspective Brussels, Rue de Namur, 59

Registration & additional information:



Agenda

May 27th

- 9:00** Welcome remarks
EUROCITIES/UPM/Perspective Brussels/Innoviris.
- 9:20** Keynote Presentation - 15-Minute Cities in the U.S.: Realistic Goal or Crazy Dream?
Prof. Susan Handy, Environmental Science and Policy Department, UCL-Davis
- 10:00** Overview of FORTHCOMING key activities and results
Prof. Andres Monzon, Project Coordinator, Transport Research Center - UPM
- 10:20** Coffee break
- 10.40** Poster session | From core to suburbs: Highlights and learnings from the FORTHCOMING Urban Living Labs
Juan Caballero, Justine Gangneux moderating discussion with LL coordinators
- 12:25** FORTHCOMING overview survey insights & discussion on 15-minute city strategies
Prof. Cristina Pronello, Regional and Urban Studies Planning- Politecnico di Torino
- 13:00** Lunch break
- 13:45** Panel discussion | Adapting the 15minute city model to different urban contexts
Prof. Hande Demirel, Mari Luz Brownrigg-Gleeson moderating discussion with LL representatives:
- 15:10** Policy Recommendations: The FORTHCOMING Guidebook
Anna Ibraeva TRANSyT-UPM
- 15:30** Coffee break
- 16:00** Keynote session | Share the city project: Focus on Brussels
Kätti Rob & Elisa Donders, Perspective Brussels - Brussels as proximity city
Imre Keserű, VUB Brussels - Imagining 15-minute accessibility in urban outskirts
- 17:20** Closing: Wrap-up & goodbye

May 28th

- 10.30** Study visit | From "urban highway" to pedestrian zone: The large-scale reconfiguration of Boulevard Anspach
Meeting point: Fontainasplein, 1000 Brussel (Metro Anneessens).
We will end the visit at the public transport hub De Brouckère at approx. 13.00
Prof. Jean-Philippe De Visscher (Louvain Research Institute for Landscape, Architecture, Built Environment)
Livia de Béthune (Faculty of Architecture at KU Leuven, MultipliCity architecture & urbanism)

