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Turin, 25-27 November 2026

Welcome to the Eurocities Cooperation Platform 2026!

The Cooperation Platform brings together contact officers from across our network for a dedicated opportunity to connect, exchange experiences, and strengthen their engagement with Eurocities.

Participants will gain practical insights into how to make the most of their membership, discover new opportunities for collaboration, and build relationships with peers facing similar challenges and priorities. The programme also offers a chance to explore Turin and learn from the host city's local initiatives and urban development experience.

Programme overview

Date- Time	Description		Venue
Wednesday, 25 November	14:00	Registration	
	14:15-16:00	Advocacy training session	
	14:15-16:00	Funding information & project development session	
	16:00-16.30	Coffee Break	
	16:30-17:30	Newcomer session	
	19:00-20:00	Welcome drinks	
	20:00	Dinner - participants' own cost	

Thursday, 26 November	08:30	Registration	
	9:00-9:45	Welcome Remarks	
	10:00-12:30	Study visits	
	12:30-14:00	Lunch	
	14:00-15:30	Plenary Making Eurocities Everyone's Business: Engaging Colleagues, Politicians and Partners	
	15.30-15.45	Eurocities 2027 Sofia	
	15:45-16:15	Coffee break	
	16:15-17:30	Breakout sessions 1. Measuring what matters 2. Making knowledge sharing and knowledge management work for members 3. Partner cities – future collaboration models 4. Europe & beyond - Enlargement	
	19:30 - 22:00	Official Dinner	
Friday, 27 November	9:30 –10:45	Breakout sessions 1. Measuring what matters 2. Making knowledge sharing and knowledge management work for members 3. Partner cities – future collaboration models 4. Europe & beyond - Enlargement	
	10:45-11:15	Coffee Break	
	11:15-12:45	Plenary – Updates from the network	
	12:45-13.00	Closing	
	13:00	Lunch	
	tbc	Tourist visit	

*TBC - an informal gathering of ExCom officers or ExCom officers' meeting may be organised alongside the Cooperation Platform in Turin.

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Agenda

DAY 1: Wednesday, 25 November 2026

Venue: Scuola Holden, Piazza Borgo Dora 49, 10152, Turin, Italy

14:00	Registrations The registration desk is open on the ground floor for all Contact Officers to collect their badges.	
14:15 – 16:00	Advocacy training session	Funding information & project development session
16:00 – 16:30	Coffee break	
16:30 – 17:30	Newcomer session First time attending the Cooperation Platform, or new to the role of contact officer? This session is for you! The session will also explore the key role of contact officers in bringing the benefits of Eurocities membership to their city and connecting the city administration with the Brussels office. It will provide a space to engage in discussion with the Eurocities team and share the specific needs and interests of participants' cities.	
19:00 – 20:00	Welcome drinks	
20:00	Informal dinner (at participants' own cost)	

DAY 2: Thursday, 26 November 2026

Venue: Scuola Holden, Piazza Borgo Dora 49, 10152, Turin, Italy

08:45	Registrations The registration desk is open on the ground floor for all Contact Officers to collect their badges.	
9:00 – 9:45	Welcome remarks - Political representative Turin - Introduction Barcelona André Sobczak, Secretary General, Eurocities	
9:45 – 12:30	(Parallel) Site Visits - Inclusive Urban Regeneration in Porta Palazzo - Neighbourhood Houses and Community-Based Urban Regeneration - Parco Dora and Environment Park, From Industrial Legacy to Green Innovation - OGR Torino, Industrial Heritage, Culture and Open Innovation <i>More details about the visit at the end of the document.</i>	
12:30 – 14:00	Lunch	

14:00 – 15:30	Plenary Making Eurocities Everyone's Business: Engaging Colleagues, Politicians and Partners How do you build support for Eurocities across your city administration, political leadership and local stakeholders? This interactive session will explore practical approaches to engaging colleagues and politicians, maintaining a clear overview of Eurocities activities, and ensuring long-term commitment, including through political transitions and elections. Participants will hear inspiring city examples and exchange ideas, challenges and solutions with peers.
15.30-15.45	Eurocities 2027 Sofia
15:45 – 16:15	Coffee break
16:15 – 17:30	Breakout sessions 1/ Measuring what matters How do we know what is creating value for members and cities? Join an open discussion on impact, priorities and the information that helps us make better decisions. Share your views on what matters most and help shape future reporting and evaluation. 2/ Making knowledge sharing and knowledge management work for members How are we making it easier for members to access, share and use knowledge across the network? Explore new ideas, emerging needs and practical ways to strengthen learning and exchange. Bring your experiences and help identify what members need next. 3/ Partner cities – future collaboration models As our network evolves, how can we work more effectively with different types of partners and member cities? This session will explore future collaboration opportunities, emerging expectations and possible approaches for a changing landscape. Join the conversation and help inform the next steps. 4/ Europe & beyond - Enlargement Enlargement is reshaping Europe's political, economic and urban landscape and will be the focus of the Mayors Summit at Eurocities 2027 Sofia. What opportunities and challenges does this create for cities, and why should it matter to all of us? Discover the wider implications and exchange perspectives on the role of cities in an expanding Europe.
19:30 – 22:00	Official Dinner

DAY 3: Friday, 26 November 2026

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9:30 – 10:45	Breakout sessions 1. Measuring what matters 2. Making knowledge sharing and knowledge management work for members 3. Partner cities – future collaboration models 4. Europe & beyond - Enlargement
10:45 – 11:15	Coffee break
11:15 – 12:45	Plenary session - Updates from the network What are the key developments shaping our work and priorities across the network? This plenary will provide a dynamic overview of progress, opportunities and upcoming activities linked to democracy, housing, the EU budget and climate resilience. Discover how we are working together on these shared priorities and what lies ahead.
12.45 - 13.00	Closing
13.00– 14:00	Lunch
Tbc	Tourist visit

Parallel site visits

Site Visit 1. Inclusive Urban Regeneration in Porta Palazzo

This study visit will explore how the City of Torino promotes inclusive urban regeneration in Porta Palazzo, one of Europe's most multicultural neighbourhoods. Participants will visit Porta Palazzo Market and learn about public investments, place-based policies and initiatives supporting social cohesion and local entrepreneurship. The programme will also feature the Portineria di Comunità and SERMIG as examples of community support and social inclusion. Meetings with city representatives and local stakeholders will provide insights into Torino's collaborative governance model.

Site visit 2. Neighbourhood Houses and Community-Based Urban Regeneration

This study visit will take participants to one of Torino's Neighbourhood Houses, local hubs for participation, community building and social innovation. The visit will illustrate how the City works with third-sector organisations through a shared policy framework and collaborative governance arrangements. Participants will explore how these spaces connect the municipal administration with residents, associations and informal groups. The experience offers a transferable model for proximity-based services and community-led urban regeneration.

Site visit 3. Parco Dora and Environment Park, From Industrial Legacy to Green Innovation

This study visit will explore the transformation of a former industrial area into Parco Dora, a major public park combining green space and industrial heritage. Participants will learn how the City of Turin guided the regeneration process through planning instruments, public investment and environmental remediation. The visit will continue at Environment Park, an innovation ecosystem supporting sustainable solutions and cooperation between public authorities, research institutions and businesses. The experience shows how municipal leadership can connect urban regeneration, public value and technological innovation.

Site visit 4. OGR Torino, Industrial Heritage, Culture and Open Innovation

This study visit will explore OGR Torino, a former railway repair complex redeveloped by Fondazione CRT as a center for culture, technology and entrepreneurship. Participants will discover how industrial heritage can be transformed into a platform for creativity, research, business development and international cooperation. The visit will include a focus on OGR Tech and its innovation ecosystem. From a municipal perspective, the experience offers an opportunity to discuss how cities can connect privately led regeneration projects with wider urban development and innovation strategies.