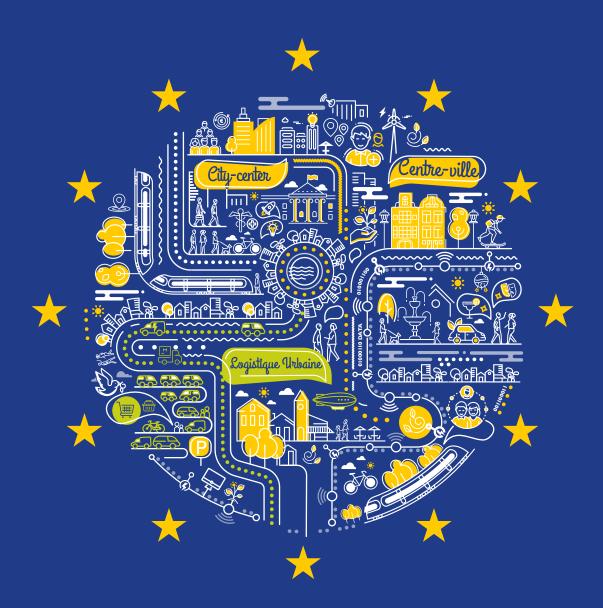




# **EUROPEAN OBSERVATORY FOR CITY CENTERS**



Thursday, February 8, 2024
European Parliament, Strasbourg
entry Winston Churchill, Avenue du Président Robert Schuman







The city center constitutes nowadays the main pole of attraction of our cities. We have observed an increase in its popularity amongst inhabitants throughout all Europe. It represents as well an unmissable reference point as much for the local population as for the tourists. In the ensemble of the European Union, it is clear that the city's heart is undergoing important mutations and this process has intensified over the last three years, impacted by Covid-19 and climate change.

On the occasion of the 2nd European Forum on City Centers at the European Parliament in June 2022, held during the French presidency of the European Union, the decision was made to create the European Observatory on City Centers in collaboration with the 19 delegations. It will be presented alongside the six different thematic that have been taken on:

Downtown management and its tools; Housing and urban life; Trade, craft and market diversity; Last mile logistics and delivery; Culture and animation; Sustainable development and mobility;

# Attention the entrance is Winston Churchill, Avenue du Président Robert Schuman

10:00 AM - 10:30 AM : Welcome coffee Salle WIC100

10:30 AM - 11:00 AM :
Welcome to the city of Strasbourg
Joël Steffen, Deputy Mayor, City of Strasbourg

# **Opening of the European City Center Observatory**

Jan Olbrycht, President of the Intergroup Urban

**Fabienne Keller**, Member of the European Parliament and Vice-President of the Intergroup Urban

Philippe Laurent, Mayor of Sceaux and President of Centre-Ville en Mouvement

11:00 AM - 11:10 AM:

**Presentation of European Grants** 

Teofil Gherca, Director of URBACT: Presentation of new European Urbact project calls

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Presentation of the 6 European Observatories of the City Centre by theme with elected officials, specialists, associations...



#### 11:10 AM - 11:40 AM:

# **Observatory of City Center Management and Tools**

**Ronan Maheo**, Project Manager for Local Economy and Urban Manufacturing, Grand Paris Metropolitan Area

**Jean-Luc Calonger**, President of the Board of Directors, TOCEMA WORLD-WIDE, President of the AMCV in Belgium



#### 11:40 AM - 12:10 PM:

# **Observatory of Logistics and Last Mile Delivery**

**Danièle Patier**, Vice-President of Centre-Ville en Mouvement and Researcher at the Laboratory for Planning, Economy, and Transport (LAET) **Anne-Marie Jean**, Vice-President of the Eurometropolis of Strasbourg

**Docteur Laetitia Dablanc**, Professor and Researcher at Gustave Eiffel University

**Guy-Pierre Sachot**, Director of Urban Logistics Development, France, La Poste Group



#### 12:10 PM - 12:40 PM:

# Observatory of Commercial and artisanal diversity, markets and short distribution

**Christian Beraud**, Mayor of Arpajon and President of the French Observatory of Commerce and Craftsmanship

Monique Rubin, President of Markets of France

**David Lestoux**, Founder and CEO of LA! Lamballe - Armor (Lestoux & associés), sociologist, and writer

#### 12:40 PM - 12:50 PM:

### **Example of a French National Program for City Center, launched in 2018**

**Dominique Consille**, Director of the National Program "Action cœur de Ville" and "Small Towns of Tomorrow," ANCT

12:50 PM - 2:15 PM:

**Lunch in the European Parliament** 

Rotunda Room

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#### 2:15 PM - 2:45 PM:

# **Observatory of Culture and Events**

**Miguel Fonseca**, Municipal Councillor, City of Coimbra, Portugal **Boris Bellanger**, Deputy Mayor, City of Montpellier **Annelise Roland**, author of the paper on culture published by Centre-Ville en Mouvement



#### 2:45 PM - 3:15 PM:

# **Observatory of Urban Planning and Sustainable Mobility**

**Antoine Tabourdeau**, Researcher at the European Institute for Energy Research, University of Karlsruhe, Germany

**Benoît Arrivé**, Mayor of Cherbourg-en-Cotentin **José Herrera**, Director of International Relations in Madrid



# 3:15 PM - 3:50 PM:

#### **Observatory of Housing and Urban Life**

**Francisco Javier Ayala Ortega**, Mayor of Fuenlabrada, Spain **Jean-Philippe Dugoin-Clément**, Vice-President of the Ile-de-France Regional Council and Mayor of Mennecy

**Renaud Sore-Larregain**, Developer in a mixed-use company for the Aix-Marseille Provence metropolis.

3:50 PM - 4:00 PM: Questions and Closing

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Alice de Sigy, Journalist and Moderator, City of Gradignan
Pierre Creuzet, Founding Director, Centre-Ville en Mouvement

