Introducing
the Reference Framework for European Sustainable Cities

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3 things you should know about the RFSC

• an **online toolkit** designed to help cities promote and enhance their work on integrated sustainable urban development

• a **joint initiative** of the Member States, the European Commission and European organizations of local governments

• a **common space** and language for cities interested in learning from each other, while respecting the diversity of local priorities
RFSC history
RFSC translates political goals into practice

- Leipzig Charter
  - Integrated approach
- Toledo declaration
  - First prototype
- RFSC open to all!
  - 19+ languages

- Marseille statement
  - Translating goals into practice
- Testing phase
  - 66 EU test cities
- RFSC integrated into Urbact III programme

RFSC set-up
RFSC brings together all levels of governance

- National Contact Points & Support Groups
- RFSC Secretariat
- Management Team
- RFSC Cities
- Member States & Institutions
- European Commission
- External Expert Panel
RFSC toolkit
Three main sections of RFSC

Three main sections in the RFSC

Your city / Institution Profile

Evaluation tools

Networks - sharing experiences

This website is designed to help you to think about and develop the integrated approach by raising relevant questions on all aspects of sustainable urban development.

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Your city/institution profile

- describe your city
- add documents, photos etc
- you can use existing documents
- choose what is useful for other cities to stimulate exchange and learning
Networking/sharing experiences

- Search engine to find other cities to start sharing and learning with
- Directory of cities and institutions
- Catalogue of showcases
Three evaluation tools

1. check list tool to help developing a sustainable strategy
2. qualitative evaluation tool to assess the integrated approach
3. a quantitative evaluation tool with a library of indicators

Choose what suits your needs!
for RESPECT

for FLEXIBILITY

S for SUPPORT

C for COOPERATION
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