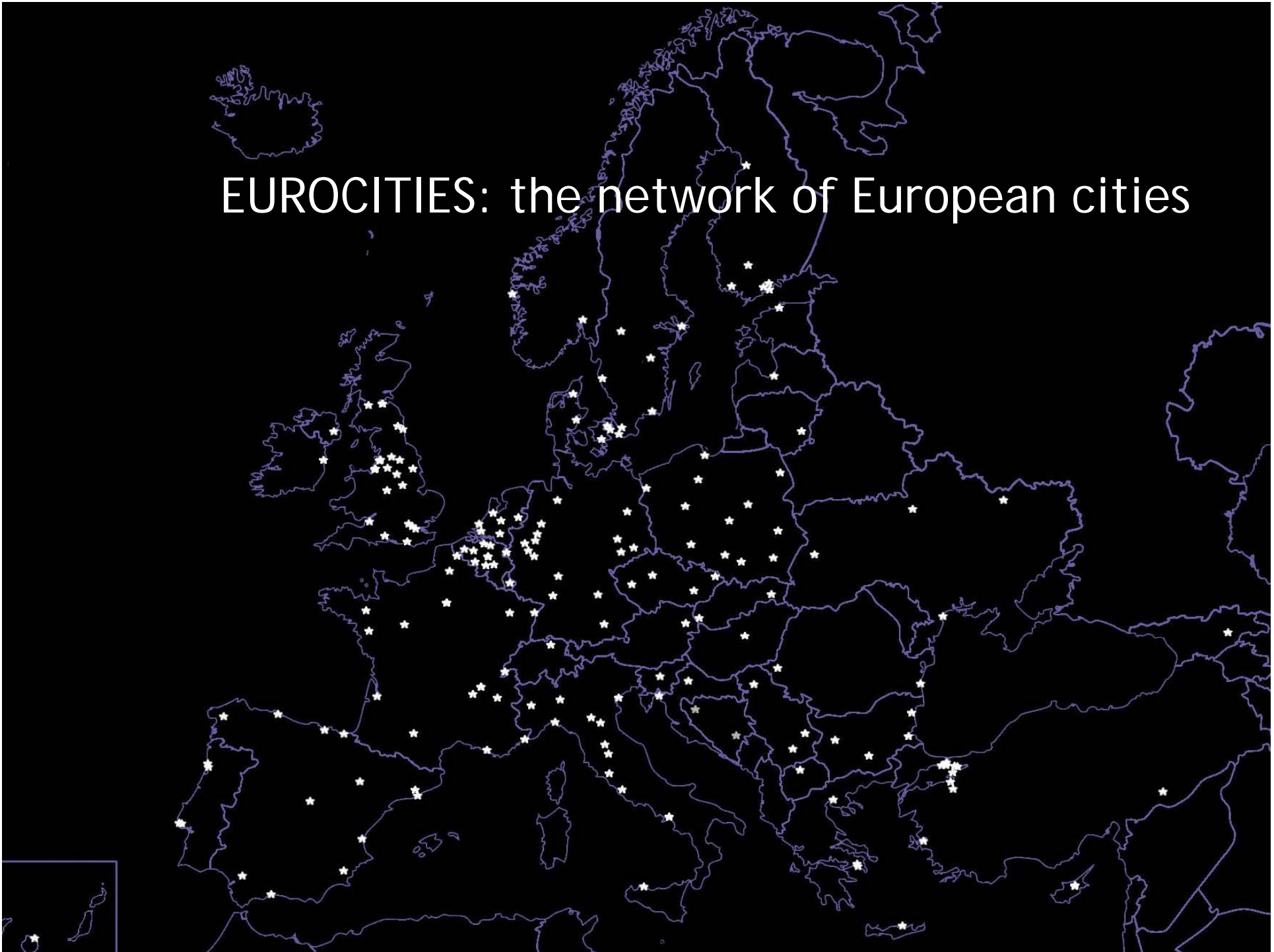


# EUROCITIES: the network of European cities





## Who we are



Founded in 1986, representing cities of over 250,000 inhabitants



## A direct link to cities



Some 130 full members in 35 countries, representing 130m citizens



43 associate members and partners

Most European capital cities members

- **Dialogue** with EU institutions
- **Sharing** and improving knowledge between cities
- **Collaborative projects**





How we do it

## Six networks in one

### COOPERATION

Chaired by the city of Nantes

<b>Culture Forum</b>	<b>Economic Development Forum</b>	<b>Environment Forum</b>	<b>Knowledge Society Forum</b>	<b>Mobility Forum</b>	<b>Social Affairs Forum</b>
Chaired by the city of Bologna	Chaired by the city of Liverpool	Chaired by the city of Birmingham	Chaired by the city of Ghent	Chaired by the city of Mannheim	Chaired by the city of The Hague

- Sustainability cuts across all of these areas
- Our network helps make the links



## Insight #1: Take an integrated approach



### Electricity Saving Check - Frankfurt

- Unemployed persons trained to run energy saving checks while installing saving technologies in household
- > 2000 checks in Frankfurt since 2005
- > 80,000 checks in 100 other German cities
- Electricity and water consumption immediately reduced by 25%
- Two EU-funded programmes extending this experience to other EU member states.

EUROCITIES continues to do more & more cross-sectoral work, e.g. on smart cities, energy poverty,...



## Insight #2: Team up - multi-level governance

### Air quality

- Cities want to deliver and support tough targets
- But they cannot do the job alone
  - Failure of Euro emission standards
  - National emission restrictions (ceilings) do not live up to local ones
  - ...

- **EUROCITIES work on EU air policy review**

- Since 2011
- Commission Expert Stakeholder Group
- Meetings with Commission & cities
- Raising awareness with European press





Visualisation



Information



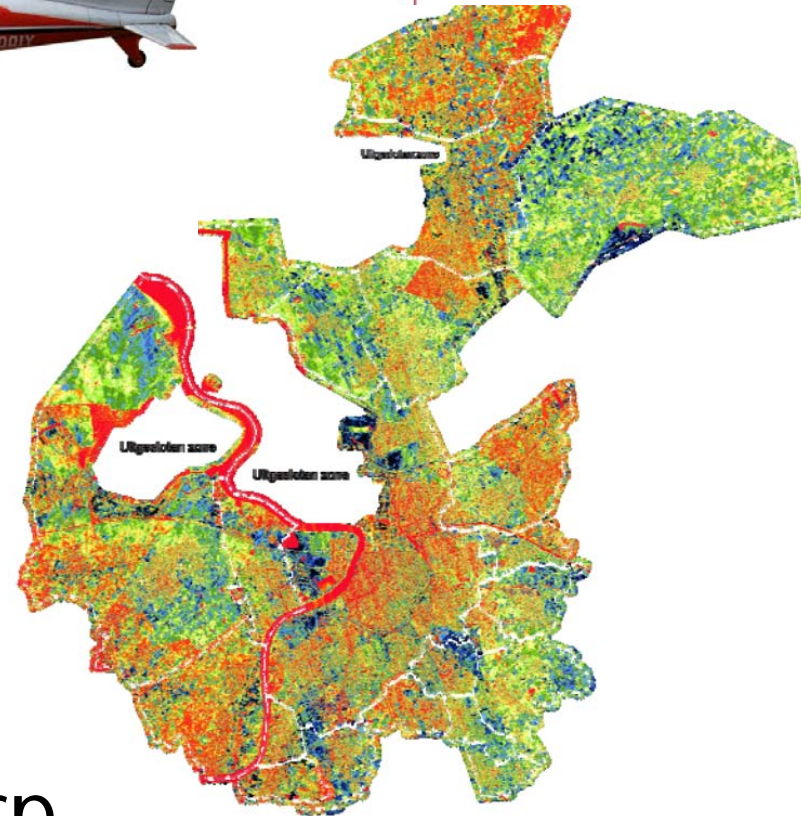
Citizen engagement



Energy efficient Antwerp



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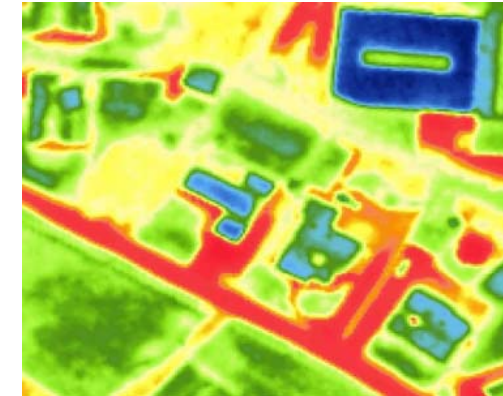




...facilitate action - and help others do the same!

## Subsidies

- local
- regional

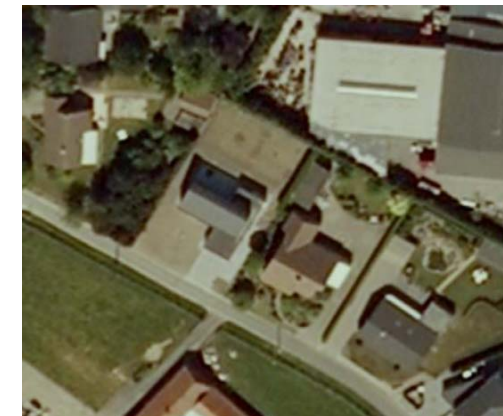


## Preferential loan and tax reduction

- national

## 'One stop-shop'

- City advice on how to use and combine the different funding opportunities



Other cities followed, e.g. Netwerkstad Twente inspired by a EURO CITIES working group





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