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EURO- MEDITERRANEAN SMART CITY INNOVATION CENTRES

OBJECTIVES

This regional project is aimed at creating Smart City Innovation Centres in three Southern Mediterranean cities, namely Fes in Morocco, Tunis in Tunisia and Alexandria in Egypt, replicating the successful experience of the Nice Smart City Innovation Centre in France, with a view to help participating cities to develop smart urban services, to become more sustainable and innovative and ultimately improve their quality of life.

BENEFICIARIES

- The direct beneficiaries include the around 7 million inhabitants of Fes, Tunis, Alexandria.
- The indirect beneficiaries include 9 research and academic institutions, as well as 30 private and public SMEs (10 per each territory).

LOCATION

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- **Egypt** (Alexandria)
 - **France** (Nice)
 - **Morocco** (Fes)
 - **Tunisia** (Tunis)

DURATION

2nd Semester of 2018 – 1st Semester 2020

TOTAL COST

1M€

PROJECTS FOR PROGRESS

ACTIONS

- The project will implement Smart City Innovation Centres in Fes, Tunis and Alexandria, in accordance with the specific environment and socio-economic needs of each participating country.
- In a second phase, the project aims to create a Euro-Mediterranean Smart City Innovation Centres Network, composed of tandems between Northern and Southern Mediterranean cities, operating as a platform for smart-city stakeholders to exchange knowledge contributing to creating sustainable, innovative, energy efficient, and inclusive cities.

EXPECTED RESULTS

- To enable the creation of an eco-system for the successful implementation of innovative urban development initiatives, targeting innovative and technological solutions to increase e.g. water efficiency, improve municipal waste management, support innovative energy rehabilitation.
- To bring together public authorities, academia, students and research centres, as well as the private and public companies.
- To enhance territorial capacity building in urban development projects and their initiatives.
- To support private and public SMEs in accessing research and innovation data.
- To support technological transfer and commercialization of research results, strengthening the linkages between research, industry and other private sector actors.
- To vitalize the territory by developing business and employment through innovation.



PROMOTER

Euromed Cities Network, represented by Nice Côte d'Azur Metropolis

PARTNERS

- Metropolis Nice Côte d'Azur Smart City Innovation Centre
- Euro-Mediterranean Network of Universities (EMUNI), based in Slovenia
- Euro-Mediterranean University of Fez, Morocco
- Groupe Inter-académique pour le Développement, France

CONTRIBUTION

- Promoter's contribution: 20%
- Potential funding perspective through UN agencies and bilateral national agencies.



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