

ACTION 3: TO ENVISION & GOVERN TOGETHER

Objective: To promote community and stakeholder engagement and co-creation of shared visions for the region. To promote cross-border cooperation and coordination, and the exchange of knowledge between local and national planning authorities

KEY OBJECTIVES	KEY TOOLS	PROPOSED ACTIONS (2021-2040)	CRITERIA OF SUCCESS
To promote community and stakeholder engagement in planning for the creation of shared visions for the Euro-Mediterranean region, at national and local levels.	(i) Making an inventory of knowledge platforms.	(i) Making an inventory/overview of the existing knowledge platforms or hubs hosting open data on cities and territories in the Euro-Mediterranean region.	(i) An overview of the existing knowledge platforms or hubs hosting open data on cities and territories in the region is produced.
	(ii) Inclusion of citizen participation and stakeholder engagement frameworks in NUPs and ICDSs.	(ii) Mapping of participatory/engagement tools and mechanisms across the region. (ix) Platforms for the engagement of local communities in actions in historic cities and urban centres, including properties on the UNESCO World Heritage List	(ii) Engagement of local communities is evidenced in actions and projects in the region. A report on community and citizen engagement is produced and updated every five years. (x) Evidence of community engagement in a number of historic cities and urban centres is documented by UNESCO and a report is published and updated every five years.
	(iii) Promotion of good governance and community participation in NUPs and ICDSs. (iv) Design of metagovernance frameworks (transnational policy frameworks and multi-stakeholder partnerships at national and local levels) for key action areas, including: climate action, spatial justice, urban identity and form, cultural heritage as a resource for sustainable urban development, community engagement and democratic participation.	(iii) Creation of a "Citizen Engagement Index" across cities in the region, based on the OECD Better Life Index (Civic Engagement)(OECD, 2019a) and the Economist Intelligence Unit Civic Engagement Index (EIU, 2018), and promotion of citizen participation thresholds.	(iii) A comparative analysis of the existence, modality, and efficacy of citizen engagement tools across the region is conducted. (iv) A "Citizen Engagement Index" is created and updated every five years.
	(v) Showcasing of best practices.	(iv) Cataloguing of best practices in citizen and stakeholder engagement.	(v) An updated catalogue of best governance practices across the region is published every five years.
	(vi) Making an inventory/overview of the existing knowledge platforms or hubs hosting open data on cities and territories in the Euro-Mediterranean region.	(v) Comparative analysis (including contextualization) of spatial planning governance models across the region.	(vi) A report on spatial planning governance models in the region is published and updated every five years.
	(vii) Governance workshops.	(vi) Workshops on governance and institutional learning.	(vii) A number of workshops on governance and institutional learning are organized.
	(viii) Networking events.	(vii) Brainstorming meeting(s) on the establishment of a Mediterranean Sustainable Urbanization Knowledge Hub. (viii) Brainstorming meeting(s) on the establishment of a Mediterranean Heritage Knowledge Hub.	(vii) A number of workshops on governance and institutional learning are organized. (viii) An MoU for the establishment of a Mediterranean Sustainable Urbanization Knowledge Hub is signed. (This is a shared action with ACTION 2).