Registration open for the 8th European Urban Resilience Forum

Registration is <u>now open</u> for the 2021 European Urban Resilience Forum (EURESFO), taking place in a hybrid format on 19 and 20 October, in ICLEI Member Malmö (Sweden). Aimed at connecting cities for a resilient future, the event will explore challenges in urban resilience planning and implementation to address a variety of topics including ecosystem restoration, and resilience recovery. Registration is free of charge.

This flagship ICLEI Europe event invites local and regional institutions from Scandinavia and beyond, and will gather up to 200 representatives on-site. Those who cannot travel, due to ongoing restrictions, will be able to attend some sessions through live streaming with the opportunity to interact with speakers and the on-site audience.

Speaking about the importance of such discussions in a moment when Europe has faced extreme climate hazards, **Vasileios Latinos**, **Urban Resilience and Adaptation Coordinator at ICLEI Europe**, says: "The severe floods in Germany and the record-breaking heat wave and wildfires in Greece show that the need for preparedness against extreme hazards and for adaptation to the impacts of climate change is more relevant and crucial than ever. Hence, I am looking forward to the discussions in Malmö, where cities will share experiences from this atypical year in Europe and beyond and will look for collaborative solutions to building resilience at the local and regional levels."

EURESFO will keep its informative, open and interactive character, maintaining its 'PowerPoint free' format. Participants are encouraged to share experiences and points of view on a variety of topics including implementation of the EU Adaptation Strategy; climate justice and equity in climate adaptation; data-driven initiatives for integrated climate strategies; sustainable finance and innovative funding for adaptation; green and resilient recovery; nature-based solutions for healthy ecosystems; disaster risk reduction and cultural heritage; local adaptation planning for smaller municipalities; and low-carbon initiatives and sustainable buildings.

Over the past 8 years, the European Urban Resilience Forum (EURESFO) has served as a unique exchange platform for city representatives, experts and stakeholders from local and regional institutions to discuss strategies, initiatives and actions for adapting to climate change and building urban resilience. The event is an initiative of ICLEI – Local Governments for Sustainability and the European Environment Agency (EEA).

For more information and to register to join the event, click here.

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