

Digital conference week

Adapting European Cities to Population Ageing: Policy Challenges and Best Practices

30 November – 4 December

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In the first half of 2020, the [ESPON ACPA project](#) was finished. ACPA (Adapting European Cities to Population Ageing) was centered around policy challenges and effective solutions for European cities that are developing and implementing age-friendly programs. It investigated the effectiveness of policies and initiatives to develop age-friendly cities and initiatives that support “ageing in place” in eight cities and city-regions. As a result, a final report together with a policy handbook, case study reports and sets of maps and figures are available to document the findings.

To capitalise on this, ESPON egtc is organising a **conference week about population ageing** together with Eurocities, AGE Platform Europe and the World Health Organisation. The week consists of a kick-off event, with a number of high-level speakers and experts, including vice president of the European Commission and Commissioner on Democracy and Demography Dubravka Šuica.



Commissioner Dubravka Šuica
European Commission



dr. Heidrun Mollenkopf
AGE Platform Europe



dr. Manfred Huber
WHO Europe



prof. Christopher Philipson
University of Manchester

This plenary session is followed by sessions on the case study areas investigated in ACPA. In this week, you will be able to:

- Learn about the challenges that European cities are facing due to population ageing;
- Discover inspiring policy responses to overcome these challenges;
- Ask policymakers and experts of population ageing about their population ageing strategy;
- Discuss and exchange experiences of successful adoption to population ageing.

Program and registration

The **plenary kick-off session** is taking place on 30 November from 10:00 (CET) till 12:15 CET. Next, **six mini sessions** will be held about the ACPA case study areas. These will take place between 1 December and 4 December. Below, you can **register** for the plenary session and a mini session of choice. Please refer to the annex for the detailed schedule per day and more information.

Practical details

- Attending the sessions is free of charge.
- The kick-off event will be held in English. The six case study sessions will be in the local language.
- The sessions will be organized through Webex. You will receive more technical information on how to join the sessions after you have signed up for the event.
- In case of questions, please feel free to contact Ecorys (hidde.wedman@ecorys.com)

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Click on the links below to register for the plenary kick-off session and one of the mini sessions on your home country:

 Register for The plenary kick-off session	Monday 30 November, 10:00 – 12:00 CET Language: English (EN)
 Register for Mini session on Norway	Tuesday 1 December, 13:30 – 14:30 CET Language: Norwegian / Norsk (NO)
 Register for Mini session on The Netherlands	Wednesday 2 December, 10:00 – 11:00 CET Language: Dutch / Nederlands (NL)
 Register for Mini session on United Kingdom	Wednesday 2 December, 13:30 – 14:30 UK time Language: English (EN)
 Register for Mini session on Spain	Thursday 3 December, 10:00 – 11:00 CET Language: Spanish / Español (ES)
 Register for Mini session on Sweden	Thursday 3 December, 13:30 – 14:30 CET Language: Swedish / Svenska (SV)
 Register for Mini session on France	Friday 4 December, 10:00 – 11:00 CET Language: French / Français (FR)

Agenda plenary kick-off (Monday 30 November)

10:00-10:05	Welcome	David Regeczi, Ecorys (NL)
10:05-10:20	Keynote speech	Commissioner Šuica, European Commission
10:20-10:30	ESPON and the ACPA project	Wiktor Szydarowski and Piera Petruzzi, ESPON EGTC Erik van Ossenbruggen, Ecorys (NL)
10:30-10:35	Break	
10:35-10:50	Urban ageing, what makes it different from ageing in other environments?	Prof. dr. Christopher Philipson, University of Manchester (UK)
10:55-11:10	Ageing policy and COVID-19	Dr. Manfred Huber, WHO Europe
11:15-11:30	Ageing in times of digitalisation	Dr. Heidrun Mollenkopf, AGE Platform Europe (vice president)
11:30-11:35	Break	
11:40-12:15	Moderated panel discussion and wrap up	Prof. dr. Christopher Philipson Dr. Heidrun Mollenkopf Dr. Manfred Huber Anne Berit Rafoss Tom van Benthem

Agenda mini sessions

(afternoon sessions start at 13:30 CET with same schedule*)

10:00-10:20	Intro and presentation of ACPA case study	Consortium, together with stakeholder city
10:20-10:30	Presentation of other inspiring city within the country	Guest speaker
10:30-10:40	Break	
10:40-11:00	Interactive part: Q&A and discussion on policy challenges in the country and good practices; how to transfer and implement good practices from ACPA to other contexts	Consortium, together with stakeholder city

* Except for session on the United Kingdom, which is scheduled at 13:30 UK time.