
Planning for Environment and Resource eFFiciency in European Cities and Towns
Agenda for Peer to Peer and stakeholder meeting Graz,
Friday 17th May 2019

At Friday 17th of May 2019 the project team with stakeholders from Slovenia and the project team with stakeholders from Styria met for the Peer to Peer meeting with a studyvisit in Graz.

In the morning session Christine Schwaberge (Dep. of spatial planning) introduced the **Regional Planning System in Styria and its influence on the local spatial planning instruments (focus on GI) – incl. Action Plan Styria as a guidebook**. Hannes Leitner (PLANUM) talked about **Examples for co-financed intercommunal GI projects in the City region of Graz**.



After long discussions, the group explored the Smart City development in the Waagner Biro Straße Graz close to the main train station with the green.LAB (www.smartcitygraz.at/). On the way back to the center we passed the vertical greening project of the facades of an insurance building in Graz.

The former industrial area (127.000 m²) of the **Smart City District in the Waagner-Biro-Straße** in Graz is undergoing a dynamic transformation process. The concepts of brownfield sites should now be implemented in combination with topics related to green infrastructure and climate change adaptation as a strategic tool for sustainable urban development.



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The **green.LAB** is a transportable modular timber construction combined with green building concepts, biodiversity, district garden, rainwater management as well as efficient energy supply and the use of renewable energy sources. The green.LAB is open to different target groups (neighbours / citizens, developers, investors...) for open learning, working and exhibition space for all topics concerning urban green. It should be also scaled up in different urban development areas after the completion of the project. The major results are: implementation of the green.LAB as a demonstration building containing green infrastructure and an innovative temporary use concept, an elaborated plan for implementing green infrastructure in the city district, post-usage scenarios and business models for the green.LAB and the “green” urban boxes answers to questions regarding modular timber constructions and green infrastructure (© green.LAB Graz).



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