



Nordic Built Cities

Nordic Innovation

- ◎ A Nordic institution under the Nordic Council of Ministers
- ◎ Promotes **cross-border trade and innovation by creating partnerships**
- ◎ **A key player** in implementing the **Nordic cooperation programme for innovation and business policy 2014-2017**

Vision: The Nordic countries as a world-leading region for innovation and sustainable growth.

Mission: To generate increased value creation through cross-border co-operation.



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THE VISION

Develop, showcase and export
Nordic innovative solutions for
liveable, smart and sustainable
cities



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THE INTENTION

The overall aim of the Nordic Built Cities programme is the branding and export of innovative Nordic solutions for smart, liveable and sustainable cities.



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Mission

- ◎ Tackle common urban challenges related to physical urban spaces.
- ◎ Result in tangible and scalable products and services, and combinations of these.
- ◎ Increase the livability, smartness and sustainability of cities, in addition to supporting Nordic innovative solutions.
- ◎ Support the internationalisation of Nordic businesses and strengthen the Nordic brand.

NORDIC BUILT CITIES 2015-17: 3 WORKING MODULES

Module 1: The Foundation

Planning, anchoring and
organising

Module 2: The Challenge

Selecting suitable challenges
Looking for the best solutions

Module 3: The Export

Export promotion and business
development



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THE ACTION: NORDIC BUILT CITIES CHALLENGE

An open, multidisciplinary, needs-driven competition to develop and visualise Nordic innovative solutions for liveable, smart and sustainable cities.

6 sub competitions in 2 stages and a Nordic finale



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THE CHARTER

Stating ten principles for liveable, smart and sustainable Nordic cities and buildings – taking energy, climate, economy and people into account.



OUR NORDIC BUILT PRINCIPLES

WE WILL CREATE A BUILT ENVIRONMENT THAT:

- 01 Is made for people and promotes quality of life
- 02 Pushes the limits of sustainable performance, as a result of our innovative mind-set and high level of knowledge
- 03 Merges urban living with the qualities of nature
- 04 Achieves zero emissions over its lifecycle
- 05 Is functional, smart and aesthetically appealing, building on the best of the Nordic design tradition
- 06 Is robust, durable, flexible and timeless - built to last
- 07 Utilises local resources and is adapted to local conditions
- 08 Is produced and maintained through partnerships founded on transparent collaboration across borders and disciplines.
- 09 Employs concepts that are scalable and used globally
- 10 Profits people, business and the environment



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Criteria for selection:

- **Universal relevance (scalability)** - The urban challenge is prevalent in many urban areas both within and outside the Nordic region.
- **Potential for innovative and sustainable solutions** – The urban challenge has a potential to result in solutions that are innovative, tangible and scalable products or services or a combination of the two.
- **Potential for realistic solutions** - The challenge has potential to result in solutions that can be demonstrated in the given urban space within a near future (2-6 years).
- **Potential for multidisciplinary solution** - the challenge has the potential to result in solutions that draw on innovators from a broad range of disciplines.
- **Ownership Commitment** - The challenge has a project owner that is committed to launch and run a local competition with support from Nordic Innovation.
- The Charter: overall guiding criteria.



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THE URBAN SPACES MUST FULFIL THE FOLLOWING REQUIREMENTS:

- ▼ Existing or new urban spaces that are clearly delimited and of a broader public value.
- ▼ Individual sites or settings such as squares, a high street, parks and gardens, green corridors, a specific city area, a demolition ground or a block of houses with their neighbouring spaces.



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We were looking for project owners that:

- ▼ Are committed to launch and run a local competition with the support from Nordic Innovation.
- ▼ Signal a willingness to allocate resources to address the challenge by means of innovative solutions.
- ▼ **The project owner is the owner and the responsible juridical entity for an urban development project facing urban challenges.**
- ▼ **37 applications: 6 were selected by the Nordic Jury**



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The 6 urban challenges:

- Circular economy solutions supporting Kera's transformation from an industrial area to a 20-minute neighbourhood (Espoo, Finland)
- Karsnes harbour – sustainable lifeline (Kopavogur, Iceland)
- Sege park – a Nordic building concept for sharing and a model for affordable and climate smart living (Malmö, Sweden)
- Smart, green and urban – revitalising the transport hub at Trygve Lies plass (Oslo, Norway)
- Climate adaptation as a social and cultural driver for local development (Copenhagen, Denmark)
- The vertical challenge – how to build innovative and sustainable family homes on a steep terrain (Runavík, Faroe Islands)



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Read more at: www.nordicbuiltcities.org

WHAT WE OFFER:

- Attention and promotion in the Nordic region and beyond.
- Access to a Nordic network of experts.
- Benchmarking and knowledge sharing with the other selected urban development projects in the Nordic region.
- Financial support: Max 2 000 000 NOK

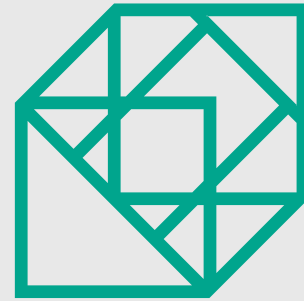


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People expect
sustainable, smart
and liveable cities.



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Let's supply the
elements required.



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