

International Urban Cooperation

Fostering Sustainable Urban Development on a global scale

Plenary:

Implementing a Green Recovery

****Milan's adaptation strategy 2020****

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CHALLENGES FACED

SUSTAINABLE MOBILITY

- Increase biking and walking
- Keep public transport safe
- Avoid traffic peaks (commuters from metropolitan region)

SERVICES AND PUBLIC SPACE

- Keep fundamental services working
- Neighbourhood services (open spaces and green areas)
- Enhance cultural offer

TECHNOLOGY & INCLUSION

- Digitalization - services production and distribution
- Support social innovation and collaborative economy

WORK AND GREEN JOBS

- Defend local economies
- Modify working patterns
- Create new jobs implementing the green economy

SOLUTIONS IMPLEMENTED

- **Open Streets**, tactical urbanism interventions to:
 - fast and cheap provision of pedestrian areas and lanes for cyclists;
 - provide outdoor spaces for dehors and parklets;
 - remove cars to expand the spaces for sport and sociality.
- **Desynchronization** of urban rhythms by adopting **smart working** whenever possible and promoting **new patterns of working times** for commercial activities.
- **15-minutes City** vision to:
 - disseminate **social and cultural activities** in the public and private spaces of the neighborhoods;
 - create **neighbourhood hubs and networks** (e.g. *Milano Aiuta*) to help vulnerable people.



LESSONS LEARNED

PARTECIPATION IS FUNDAMENTAL

- to improve green strategies
- to reinforce collaboration among citizens

IMPROVISATION IS DIFFICULT

- The most effective interventions could rely on already existing policies and services

PUBLIC SPACE IS A COMMON GOOD

- Many citizens seem now to accept and support the policies to reduce the presence of cars
- We need to increase both the quantity and quality of public spaces

FLEXIBILITY AS A STANDARD

- The possibility to modify road regulations was fundamental
- Flexible spaces and times

SUSTAINABLE NEIGHBOURHOODS

- The Neighbourhood Unit has been confirmed as a valid planning principle in sustainability strategies

CROSS SECTORAL COOPERATION

- Involvement of the highest number of stakeholders and departments is pivotal to achieve a greater SUD

