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**SATELLITE application form for visiting cities**

**Study Visit in Rethymno**

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| Project Acronym: | CIVITAS SATELLITE |
| Full Title: Support Action Towards Evaluation, Learning, Local Innovation, Transfer and Excellence |
| Grant Agreement No.: | 713813 |
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| Deadline for application: 29 November 2019 |
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**CIVITAS SATELLITE peer-to-peer activities in a nutshell**

CIVITAS SATELLITE is an initiative designed to support cities in gaining better access to innovative solutions and to address transport challenges by applying exchange mechanisms for transfer and take-up.

Between 2017 and 2020, SATELLITE will organise at least 20 visits, in the form of work placements and study visits, for city representatives willing to learn from each other and to exchange extensively with each other.

Participants for these peer-to-peer visits will be selected each year through calls for expression of interest.

***This form is for cities willing to take part as a visiting city to a study visit in Rethymno in Spring 2020.***

If you are selected as visiting city, you :

* Will receive support for the preparation and the follow-up of the visit you will attend.
* Might be selected to receive financial support up to €700 to cover for travel and accommodation for a study visit, after providing us with invoices.

Apply!

Do you want take part to CIVITAS SATELLITE peer-to-peer exchanges? Please fill in the application form by 29 November 2019 and send it back to arianna.americo@eurocities.eu

* Contact person:

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ADDITIONAL INFORMATION TO READ BEFORE APPLYING

* **Study Visit in Rethymno**

Rethymno is partner of the project CIVITAS DESTINATIONS. The city has adopted the principles of Sustainable Development since 2007, joined the Covenant of Mayors (2011), Mayors Adapt (2016) and Covenant of Mayors for Climate & Energy (2017); and included sustainable mobility as a priority pillar the Municipal Sustainable Energy and Climate Action Plan (SECAP). The study visit will be characterised by the following content: innovative dock (electromobility, sharing system, University’s communities, mobility plan for schools). During the visit different local/regional partners and stakeholders will be involved: Rethymno Municipality (DESTINATIONS partner), Technical University of Crete (DESTINATIONS partner), Public transport operators, Regional government, CIVINET CY – EL, Region of Crete, Ministry of Transport, Hoteliers Association, Chamber of Commerce, University of Crete, Technical Chamber of Greece.

* What is a study visit?

CIVITAS SATELLITE study visits offer the opportunity for up to 10 city representatives from 10 different cities to travel to another European city facing similar challenges in sustainable urban mobility to learn about possible solutions and best practices. These 2,5-3 day study visit will be tailored to the needs of the participating cities and take an interactive approach, to facilitate in-depth exchange, and strengthen cooperation. City representatives will benefit from financial support covering travel and accommodation costs.

* Why join CIVITAS SATELLITE peer-to-peer programme?

If you are a visiting city, you will:

* Have hands-on experience in another city,
* Have the opportunity to exchange on a one-to-one basis with leading peers,
* Be promoted on the CIVITAS website and European-wide media outlets as a city committed to sustainable urban mobility,
* Be offered speaker slots at European level events,
* Be able to apply for the CIVITAS award in the Take-up category
* What will be the tasks of cities involved?

If you are a visiting city, you will:

* Define a detailed request for learning
* Identify a local challenge faced by your city
* Liaise with the SATELLITE team to agree on the objectives of the visit
* Write a short impact report describing new skills acquired
* Send all documents required for the reimbursement of costs (if selected for financial support)

CIVITAS SATELLITE Call for visiting cities (Study Visit in Rethymno)

1. **Fundamental information**

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| **Name of the city & Country** |  |
| **Structure & size** | [ ]  City[ ]  Metropolitan areaPopulation: |
| **Are you member of the CIVITAS Community?** | [ ]  CIVITAS demonstration city[ ]  CIVITAS Forum network city[ ]  CIVINET member city[ ]  IA or RIA project partner city[ ]  None |
| **Has your city been awarded an award for its work on sustainable mobility?****If yes, which one?** | [ ]  CIVITAS award [ ]  EUROPEAN**MOBILITY**WEEK award[ ]  SUMPs award[ ]  Other (please specify)[ ]  My city has applied or has been short listed but not selected[ ]  None |
| **Do you have recent experience of peer-to-peer exchange?** **If yes please specify** | [ ]  Yes (Please specify below)[ ]  No |

1. **Preparing the visit**

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| **What are the main reason(s) why you want to take part to a CIVITAS peer-to-peer visit?** |  |
| **Which challenge from your city do you plan to present to your host city?** **How do you plan to do this?** |  |
| **Which key local/regional decision makers, project managers and/or stakeholders would you like to meet during your visit? Why?** |  |
| **Will you communicate about this visit? If yes how?** |  |

1. **Practicalities and joining instructions**

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| **Contact person(s) for the organisation of the visit** | Name:Position:Telephone:Email:Address: | Name:Position:Telephone:Email:Address: |
| **Can you confirm and make sure that your colleagues have a sufficient level of English to present their experience?**  | [ ]  Yes[ ]  No |
| **How did you find out about the CIVITAS SATELLITE study visit?** |  |
| **Other questions** |  |

**Final declaration**

I have the pleasure to inform you that the city of name of the city/region supports the participation of its staff in the CIVITAS SATELLITE initiative in [2020].

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| PlaceClick here to enter a date.NamePositionCity/region |

NB: this form should be signed by the Mayor, the Vice-Mayor or the Director of the Transport department in your municipality