

## Application form for the European Green Capital Award

Please fill in the compulsory fields below and provide information – where available – for the indicator areas that follow.

<b>Award year</b> Compulsory	Indicate whether your city is applying to be selected as the European Green Capital for: _ Only 2012 _ Only 2013 _ Either 2012 or 2013.
<b>Municipality</b> Compulsory	Name of municipality: Country: Size of municipality (km <sup>2</sup> ): Number of inhabitants in municipality: Name of mayor: Address of mayor's office:
<b>Contact</b> Compulsory	Name and contact details of the person to be contacted in matters relating to this application. Name of contact person: Address: Telephone: Fax: E-mail:
<b>1. Local contribution to global climate change</b>	Describe the present situation and developments over the last five to ten years regarding (max. 1,000 words): 1. Total CO <sub>2</sub> equivalent per capita, including emissions resulting from use of electricity; 2. CO <sub>2</sub> per capita resulting from use of natural gas; 3. CO <sub>2</sub> per capita resulting from transport; 4. Grams of CO <sub>2</sub> per kWh used.
	Describe the measures implemented over the past five to ten years to reduce greenhouse gas emissions, including resources allocated to implementing these measures (max. 1,000 words).
	Describe the short and long term objectives for reduction of GHG emissions, including measures adopted, but not yet implemented, and budgets for future measures already adopted (max. 1,000 words).
	Describe how the above issues can be documented should your city be shortlisted for participation in the second phase of the evaluation. (Documentation should <u>not</u> be forwarded in this phase) (max. 600 words).
	List any disadvantages resulting from historical and/or geographical factors which may have influenced this indicator area negatively (max. 600 words).
<b>2. Local transport</b>	Describe the present situation and developments over the past five to ten years regarding (max. 1,000 words): 1. Length of designated cycle lanes in relation to total number of inhabitants in the city; 2. Share of population living within 300 metres of an hourly (or more frequent) public transport service; 3. Proportion of all journeys under 5 km by private car; 4. Proportion of public transport classified as low emission.
	Describe the measures implemented over the past five to ten years aimed at reducing the total transport volume and encouraging a shift away from transport by car (max. 1,000 words).

	<p>Describe planned long and short term measures in relation to (max. 1,000 words):</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Reduction of overall demand for transport;</li> <li>2. Reduction of individual motorised transport;</li> <li>3. Promotion of less environmentally damaging modes of transport.</li> </ol> <p>The short term measures should include description of measures adopted, but not yet implemented, and budgets for future measures already adopted.</p> <p>With regard to long term measures, the description should include planned measures yet to be sanctioned politically.</p>
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<p><b>3. Green urban areas</b></p>	<p>Provide the percentage of green and water areas (public and private) in relation to the overall area, including trends over the past five to ten years.</p> <p>Add a map indicating :</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- The proportion of areas located within the inner city / on city boundaries;</li> <li>- The distribution across the city;</li> <li>- Size of areas;</li> <li>- Fragmentation.</li> </ul> <p>(max. 500 words plus map).</p> <p>Describe the present situation and the development over the past five to ten years in relation to the percentage of citizens living within 300 m of public green urban areas, the total number of square metres of green urban areas per capita and public green urban areas per capita. Describe any additional development of other green elements such as number of trees outside designated green areas, green fences and green roofing etc. (max. 1,000 words).</p> <p>Describe any measures implemented over the past five to ten years aimed at increasing the size and quality of green urban areas (max. 1,000 words).</p> <p>Describe planned long and short term measures for the establishment and management of green urban areas (public and privately owned) taking into consideration their function:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– People's quality of life and recreation;</li> <li>– Additional ecosystem services and functions such as regulating water balance, balancing climate extremes, filtering air pollution, education, etc.</li> </ul> <p>(max. 1,000 words):</p> <p>With regard to short term measures, the description should include measures adopted, but not yet implemented, and budgets for future measures already adopted.</p> <p>With regard to long term measures, the description should include planned measures which are yet to be adopted politically.</p> <p>Describe how the above issues can be documented should your city be shortlisted to participate in the second phase of the evaluation.</p> <p>(Documentation should not be forwarded in this phase) (max. 600 words).</p> <p>List any disadvantages resulting from historical and/or geographical factors which may have influenced this indicator area negatively (max. 600 words).</p>
<p><b>4 Sustainable land use</b></p>	<p>Describe the present situation and developments over the past five to ten years in relation to (max. 1,000 words):</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Percentage of green areas, water areas, residential areas, industrial / economic areas, mixed areas, brownfields (this will provide important background information on the character of the city and is not an evaluation criterion in itself);</li> <li>2. Soil sealing (m<sup>2</sup>) per inhabitant;</li> <li>3. New developments: proportion of brownfield sites, densification in the inner-city or urban</li> </ol>

	<p>cores, on greenfields;</p> <p>4. Population density in built-up areas in inhabitants per hectare (city area minus green and water areas);</p> <p>5. Population density for new developments in inhabitants per hectare.</p>
	<p>Describe the measures implemented over the past five to ten years regarding (max. 1,000 words):</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Minimising the total area of derelict and contaminated land;</li> <li>2. Increasing or sustaining population density in built-up areas while protecting green areas and providing a high quality of life within densely populated areas;</li> <li>3. Renovating urban land and renewing urban design to make city living attractive and enable a more sustainable lifestyle (e.g. short distances to services and facilities reduce the transport demand and promote walking and cycling; multi-apartment houses save energy for heating, cooling, reduce infrastructural needs);</li> <li>4. Limiting urban sprawl by cooperating with the neighbouring municipalities;</li> <li>5. Integrating current and future changes such as economic growth, demographic or climate change through sustainable land use planning.</li> </ol>
	<p>Describe planned long and short term measures in relation to sustainable land use (max. 1,000 words):</p> <p>The short term measures should include a description of measures adopted, but not yet implemented, and budgets for future measures already adopted.</p> <p>The long term measures should include a description of planned measures not yet politically sanctioned.</p>
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<b>5. Nature and biodiversity</b>	<p>Describe the present situation and developments over the past five to ten years in relation to areas designated for nature protection and biodiversity under either municipal, communal, national or local schemes (max. 1,000 words).</p>
	<p>Describe measures implemented over the past five to ten years in order to (max. 1,000 words):</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Manage the areas designated for nature protection and biodiversity as described above;</li> <li>2. Protect nature in other open spaces;</li> <li>3. Promote public knowledge and understanding of nature and biodiversity, particularly among young people.</li> </ol>
	<p>Describe planned long and short term measures to protect urban nature and biodiversity (max. 1,000 words).</p> <p>With regard to short term measures, the description should include measures adopted, but not yet implemented, as well as budgets for future measures already adopted.</p> <p>With regard to long term measures, the description should include planned measures not yet politically sanctioned.</p>
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<b>6. Quality of local ambient air</b>	<p>Describe the present situation and developments over the past five to ten years in relation to (max. 1,000 words):</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Number of days per year on which EC limit values were exceeded for PM10 (daily mean of</li> </ol>

	<p>50µg/m<sup>3</sup>);</p> <p>2. Number of days per year on which EC limit value/long term objective for ozone was exceeded (8h mean of 120µg/m<sup>3</sup>) ;</p> <p>3. Annual mean concentration of NO<sub>2</sub> and PM10.</p>
	<p>Describe the measures implemented over the past five to ten years to improve air quality, including for example (max. 1,000 words):</p> <p>1. Existence and implementation status of an air quality management plan;</p> <p>2. Information to the public (both inhabitants and tourists) on air quality levels (e.g. web pages, information screens) in order to increase public awareness and change behaviour.</p>
	<p>Describe planned long and short term measures for improvement of air quality (max. 1,000 words):</p> <p>The short term measures should include a description of measures adopted, but not yet implemented, and budgets for future measures already adopted.</p> <p>The long term measures should include a description of planned measures which are yet to be adopted politically.</p>
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<b>7. Noise pollution</b>	<p>Describe the present situation and developments over the past five to ten years in relation to (max. 1,000 words):</p> <p>1. Share of population exposed to noise values of L (day) above 55 dB(A);</p> <p>2. Share of population exposed to noise values of L (night) above 45 dB(A).</p>
	<p>Describe the measures implemented over the past five to ten years to reduce noise including i.a. the existence, quality and level of implementation of a noise management plan (max. 1,000 words):</p>
	<p>Describe planned long and short term measures aimed at reducing noise pollution (max. 1,000 words):</p> <p>The short term measures should include a description of measures adopted, but not yet implemented, and budgets for future measures already adopted.</p> <p>The long term measures should include a description of planned measures which are yet to be adopted politically.</p>
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<b>8. Waste production and management</b>	<p>Describe the present situation and developments over the past five to ten years in relation to (max. 1,000 words):</p> <p>1. Amount of waste per capita;</p> <p>2. Proportion of total/biodegradable waste sent to a landfill;</p> <p>3. Percentage of recycled municipal waste.</p>
	<p>Describe measures implemented over the past five to ten years aimed at reducing the amount of waste produced, the amount of waste sent to landfills, particularly biodegradable waste, and measures which have promoted awareness raising programmes (max. 1,000 words).</p>
	<p>Describe planned long and short term measures to reduce of the amount of waste produced and minimise the amount of waste sent to landfills, particularly biodegradable waste (max.</p>

	<p>1,000 words)</p> <p>The short term measures should include a description of measures adopted, but not yet implemented, and budgets for future measures already adopted.</p> <p>The long term measures should include a description of planned measures yet to be politically sanctioned.</p>
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<b>9. Water consumption</b>	<p>Describe the present situation and developments over the last five to ten years in relation to (max. 1,000 words):</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Proportion of urban water supply subject to water metering;</li> <li>2. Water consumption per capita;</li> <li>3. Water loss in pipelines;</li> <li>4. Compliance with the EU Water Framework Directive.</li> </ol>
	<p>Describe the measures implemented over the past five to ten years to reduce water consumption and water loss in pipelines, including e.g. (max. 1000 words):</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Proactive leakage management;</li> <li>2. Network rehabilitation;</li> <li>3. Non-domestic metering;</li> <li>4. Byelaw implementation in relation to efficiency in water usage;</li> <li>5. Awareness raising campaigns.</li> </ol>
	<p>Describe planned long and short term measures to reduce water loss (max. 1,000 words):</p> <p>The short term measures should include a description of measures adopted, but not yet implemented, and budgets for future measures already adopted.</p> <p>The long term measures should include description of planned measures yet to be politically sanctioned.</p>
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<b>10. Waste water treatment</b>	<p>Describe the present situation and developments over the past five to ten years in relation to the proportion of total waste water treated in accordance with the Urban Waste Water Directive (max. 1,000 words).</p>
	<p>Describe the measures implemented over the past five to ten years to improve waste water treatment (max. 1,000 words).</p>
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<b>11. Environmental management of the municipality</b>	<p>Describe the present situation and development over the past five to ten years in relation to (max. 1,000 words):</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Number of municipal departments with certified environmental management systems (ISO 14001/EMAS);</li> <li>2. Percentage of consumed eco-labelled, organic and energy-efficient products by municipalities, measured as a share of the total product consumption within similar category;</li> </ol>

	<p>3. Energy consumption of municipal buildings per square meter.</p> <p>Describe the measures implemented over the past five to ten years in relation to (max. 1,000 words):</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Developing an overall policy for environmental management of municipal activities;</li> <li>2. Increasing the share of the total consumption of eco-labelled, organic and energy-efficient products;</li> <li>3. Increasing the energy efficiency of municipal buildings.</li> </ol> <p>Describe planned long and short term measures to improve municipal environmental management (max. 1,000 words):</p> <p>The short term measures should include description of measures adopted, but not yet implemented, and budgets for future measures already adopted.</p> <p>The long term measures should include description of planned measures yet to be politically sanctioned.</p> <p>Describe how the above issues can be documented should your city be shortlisted for participation in the second phase of the evaluation. (Documentation should <u>not</u> be forwarded in this phase) (max. 600 words).</p> <p>List any disadvantages resulting from historical and/or geographical factors which may have influenced this indicator area negatively (max. 600 words).</p>
<p><b>12. Other measures</b></p>	<p>Describe any effective and interesting measures taken to improve the urban environment of your city not covered by the above indicators (max. 2,000 words).</p>
<p><b>13. Programme for dissemination of experience and best practice</b></p>	<p>The European Green Capital will act as a role model to inspire other cities and will, therefore, have to disseminate and promote its experience and best practice to all other European cities. Please describe the programme of events and activities that your city will commit to should you win the European Green Capital Award. For example:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. A dedicated website;</li> <li>2. Opening conference (showing why the city was selected and sharing best practice);</li> <li>3. Workshops/events/conferences (also hosting of European events like Green Week and Mobility Week);</li> <li>4. Closing ceremony;</li> <li>5. Travelling exhibition sharing best practice &amp; experience;</li> <li>6. Publications;</li> <li>7. Articles in international magazines;</li> <li>8. Dissemination of guidelines;</li> <li>9. Films;</li> <li>10. Guided tours in the city showing innovative solutions.</li> </ol> <p>Co-operation and partnership among authorities, citizens, business communities, and other stakeholders aimed at sharing experience and best practice. (max. 600 words).</p>
<p><b>Submit</b></p>	<p>Press button to submit the form. A copy of the form will automatically be forwarded to the e-mail address of the contact person indicated above.</p>