



**URBAN CHALLENGES
SUSTAINABLE SOLUTIONS
EUROCITIES 2009
STOCKHOLM 25-28 NOVEMBER**

Theme and programme > Programme

Programme as of 1 September

**Wednesday Welcome
25 November**

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| 13:00-16:00 | Side events |
| 14:00-17:00 | Meet a colleague! An opportunity for delegates to meet a colleague from a City of Stockholm department of their choice |
| 16.00-18:00 | ExCom Meeting |
| 19.00-22:00 | Welcome reception: Get-together with a light dinner at Nalen , a beautifully renovated old dance hall. To start off the conference with a bang, expect some ABBA inspired entertainment! |

**Thursday 26 Inspiration
November**

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| 08:00-18:00 | Registration opens |
| 08:30-09:15 | Start of the conference, presentation of the moderator Cecilia Uddén and welcome speeches by Sten Nordin , Mayor of Stockholm and host of EUROCITIES 2009 Stockholm and Jozias van Aartsen , Mayor of The Hague and President of EUROCITIES |
| 09:15-09:50 | Hans Rosling - 'Europe meets the World'. Professor in International Health at Karolinska Institute and co-founder and director of Gapminder Foundation |
| 09:50-10:15 | Coffee break and mingling opportunity |
| 10:15-11:30 | Panel Debate with a representative from the European Commission and a panel of mayors from leading European cities on the theme of |

	effective local measures for economic growth and against climate change, including time for Q&A!
11:30-15:30	<p>Sustainable solutions for Business, Science, People and Culture: Nine different deep-dives in nine different locations to showcase projects in the field of economic growth and environment and how these affect all aspects of the city. Lunch and transport included.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Hammarby Model • Heating the city • Future Suburbia • Heating the city • Mobility flows • Creative cluster • World-leading ICT cluster • Telecom for green cities • Intelligent electricity • Next generation buses
11:30-15:30	Tailor-made programmes for mayors
16:00-17:30	Mayors' Debate: peer-to-peer discussions between Mayors with introduction by Ulf Kristersson, Vice Mayor of Stockholm and Chair of the EUROCITIES Social Affairs Forum and conclusions by Paul Bevan, Secretary General.
16:00-17:30	Speednetworking: a best-practice networking opportunity serving as a platform for the exchange of knowledge and experience. Around 25 tables will be set up, each led by a city delegation who will present a project inspired by the broad theme "Urban Challenges - Sustainable Solutions". Each session will be run 3 times, lasting 30 minutes and including time for questions and discussions. 9 of the speednetworking sessions will be held by the EUROCITIES Awards nominees.
17:00-18:00	Covenant of Mayors workshop: 'Financial Assistance for Implementing the Sustainable Energy Action Plan (SEAP).'
20:00-23:30	Gala Dinner and EUROCITIES Awards Taking place in the magnificent Blue Hall, famed for hosting the Nobel price banquet, our gala dinner promises to be an event not to be missed. Beautiful archways and fresco windows glow with light from open flames, creating a magical setting full of surprises, reminiscent of the folklore of Scandinavia. A stunning backdrop fit for the EUROCITIES Awards ceremony.

Friday 27 November

Decisions

- 08:30-09:40 **Morning plenary** with representatives of the Swedish Presidency of the EU and of the Obama administration, on the importance of reaching a climate deal at COP15.
- 09:40-10:00 **The Stockholm appeal:** the appeal by which the climate protection and sustainability aspirations of the EUROCITIES network and The United States Conference of Mayors combine to provide a powerful statement of intent from Mayors on both sides of the Atlantic to the National Governments in the run-up to COP15. Considering its timing, the Stockholm Appeal has the ability to truly influence where it matters.
- 10:00-10:20 Coffee break and mingling opportunity
- 10:20-11:20 **Forum reports:** showcasing the achievements of the Forums in 2009.
- Culture
 - Economic Development
 - Environment
 - Knowledge Society
 - Mobility
 - Social Affairs
- 11:20-11:30 Reflections on the conference by Sten Nordin, Mayor of Stockholm
- 11:30-14:00 **Lunch**
- EUROCITIES Annual General Meeting for members**
- 14:00-16:00 **Meet a colleague:** An opportunity for delegates to meet a colleague from a City of Stockholm department of their choice

Saturday 28 November

Culture

For your final day, we will offer a range of cultural activities in the city. You have the opportunity to join us for a **Millenium Walk**, based on Stieg Larsson's popular trilogy (see website for further details), or to see the famed art exhibitions in the Stockholm Metro; referred to as the world's longest art gallery, amongst many other

things. There will be a wide range of exciting exhibitions and places of interest for you to visit which tie in with the theme of the conference, with a focus on sustainability.

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