



THE FREIBURG CHARTER FOR SUSTAINABLE URBANISM

QUO VADIS CIVITAS ?

The future model for new settlements should be the **Compact City**. This is a city concept consisting of independently functioning units, in which the aspects of everyday life can be laid out and accessed within walking distance by all members of society. The **City of the Future** is a city of social and functional integration, cultural diversity, accessible education, resource conservation and regional dialogue. When outward growth is unavoidable or imperative for economic or cultural reasons, that growth should follow the principle of the **Compact City**. The following 12 principles are intended to provide the point of departure for the **Compact City** and as such serve as the foundation for the **Sustainable City**. They should be applied to all new development.

THE 12 GUIDING PRINCIPLES

SPATIAL

- I DIVERSITY, SAFETY AND TOLERANCE
- II CITY OF NEIGHBOURHOODS
- III CITY OF SHORT DISTANCES
- IV PUBLIC TRANSPORT & DENSITY

CONTENT

- V EDUCATION, SCIENCE & CULTURE
- VI INDUSTRY & JOBS
- VII NATURE & ENVIRONMENT
- VIII DESIGN QUALITY

PROCESS

- IX LONG-TERM VISION
- X COMMUNICATION & PARTICIPATION
- XI RELIABILITY, OBLIGATION & FAIRNESS
- XII CO-OPERATION & PARTNERSHIP