

JPI Urban Europe membership

JPIs are building upon and aligning national commitments, resources and strategies to achieve higher effectiveness and impact of research, development and innovation investments and jointly address societal challenges. Joint actions are defined to implement the Strategic Research and Innovation Agenda (SRIA), according to their national priorities and interests countries and partners decide on joining each of these actions individually.

Benefits of joining JPIs

According to this flexible framework JPIs offer various benefits for participating countries:

- New forms of long-term collaboration between local, regional, national and European policy makers and actors
- Mission-oriented framework fostering collaboration between research and policy to enhance impact and relevance of RD&I investments at different levels (from local to EU)
- Building upon national/regional/local RD&I competences, strategies and priorities, benefitting from direct access to local stakeholders and connecting and aligning them on the European scale in transnational activities
- Joining forces to reduce fragmentation and increase impact of national RD&I investments
- Fostering and testing new innovation approaches and science-policy cooperation
- JPIs as gateways for scientific excellence, relevance and international cooperation
- A new platform for researchers, developers and innovators

Applying for a full membership

JPI Urban Europe welcomes interested partners and countries. To become a full member a formal expression of interest is needed from the governmental body in charge of urban-related national research and innovation programmes (in most cases either ministry, funding agency or research council).

As part of such an expression of interest we would ask you to state your motivation and main interest for joining JPI Urban Europe as well as provide information on national research and innovation programmes related to urban matters, related national or regional strategies, key research organisations or networks dealing with urban RDI and any other related activity you would like to offer for cooperation.

Expression of interest

This expression of interest should be directed to the Chair of the Governing Board Inger Gustafsson, Vinnova - Swedish Governmental Agency for Innovation Systems, inger.gustafsson@vinnova.se

The application needs to be approved unanimously by the Governing Board and the applicant will be invited to the next meeting of the Governing Board.

As a full member you have full voting rights on all strategic and operation matters in the Governing Board.

JPI Urban Europe membership fee

Each full JPI Urban Europe member contributes a yearly fee of € 5.000.- which is used to finance activities of the day-to-day management. An annual budget plan is prepared by the Management Board for approval of the Governing Board.

Applying for an observer

To assess cooperation opportunities and benefits prior to a full membership, countries can apply as observers. Also in this case interested governmental bodies are asked to send in an expression of interest. Observers can participate in all joint actions and have access to the various working groups but have no voting rights in the Governing Board.

The JPI Urban Europe fee does not apply for Observers.

Termination of the membership

In order to terminate the membership, the respective member needs to put its wish in writing to the Chair of the Governing Board, who in turn will inform all the members of the Governing Board.

Additional questions

If you have any additional questions, please contact:

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