

Partner Search Form

Sustainable and Liveable Cities and Urban Areas organized by JPI Urban Europe and the National Natural Science Foundation of China (NSFC)

Applicants looking for project partners can generate a "Partner Search Form" describing the profile of the organization they want to collaborate with.

The completed partner search form can be sent to the Call Secretariat who will publish it on the JPI Urban Europe website and on the LinkedIn Group as well. **Send the filled in form to: magnus.brink@iqs.se**

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Section 1 – I am looking for:

A partner for my project

A project to join

Section 2 - Call Information: which topic(s) do you address?

Topic 1: Climate change and new urban economies

Topic 2: Transformation of energy systems and strengthen urban circular economies

Topic 3: Urban public administration and services innovation

Topic 4: Urban data management

Section 3 - Your Organisation

Organisation name and location: University of Oxford

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Description of the organisation (max. 100 words):

UK University

Section 4 - Free Keywords:

Meaningful City; meaningful lives and work; human values; sustainability; citizen participation; smart

Section 5 - Project Description

Cities are faced with difficult challenges including inequalities, technological change, international competition and the need for environmental sustainability. The proposed research seeks to address these problems by applying a normative model of meaningfulness in cities to four to six interlinked projects. This will extend to investigating the conditions - economic, political, social and

environmental - needed to promote meaningful lives, including innovating in institutional and governance practices, and methods of evaluation. Meaningfulness at the city level fosters economic and social advancement from an alliance of social and material technologies with human learning, framed by public values. Through an examination of live city projects in several European and Chinese locations, this research will propose a model of an infrastructure of meaningfulness, including evaluating impacts upon stakeholders. We hypothesise that by fostering opportunities for leading meaningful lives, cities can gain reputational advantage, enhance innovative capacity and increase human wealth. The research will take an integrated systems approach to examining the city within its regional, national and international contexts, including supply chain arrangements, public service provision and value creation. The different projects are tied-together by the idea that values, voice and practices (technical and human) can be designed to provide enriched sources of meaning and pathways to meaningfulness. The projects provide the opportunity to examine the extent to which meaningfulness is realised in lives and in work. The European partners are – the University of Oxford/UK, the University of Amsterdam/Netherlands and the University of Tampere/Finland. We have several very interested Chinese partners/projects who are not eligible to be PI under the NSFC criteria for participation. These may be included as individuals.

Section 6 - Partner Profile Sought

Type of organisation:

Principal Investigator – Chinese collaboration

Required Skills and Expertise (if applicable):

Meets the eligibility requirements