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- Introduction -

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Welcome to the third Thematic Workshop

Main topic

- Environmental sustainability in housing
- High environmental quality housing for a larger population and for a reasonable price
- From experimentation to mainstream

A short reminder - Objectives of our SUITE network

Main objectives

- to cooperate among partners to optimise a sustainable and affordable supply of housing and to assure social cohesion through social mix and suitable housing.
- to make decisive steps forward in developing higher levels of sustainable housing provision, in the respective local context, considering both the social and environmental perspectives
- improvement of the steering ability of local authorities within an urban policy field characterized by a dynamic development in terms of economical, social, ecological and demographic challenges

... and our methods

We want to reach our aims by

- a common set of methods to organize the exchange and learning activities
- dealing with all expectations and contributions on partner level, plus the feedback process with the Local Action Plan level
- In order to produce outputs on three levels - on local, national and on European level including Local Action Plans, a good practice catalogue and recommendations

How to organize mutual learning within project networks?

Our work is based on the assumption – European cities are faced with similar problems:

- Increasing inequality in access to housing
- a wide gap between affordable housing and housing of good quality keeping criteria of sustainability

We are looking for different solutions regarding this common problem – but we should ask ourselves:

- Are we able to compare these solutions in order to judge about their transferability?
- To what extent depends the variety of different solutions on different national or regional conditions?

Our intentions to enable mutual learning regarding the case of Hamburg...

At first two presentations about the background in terms of policies and technical matters

- View about a new programme in Hamburg (*Andreas Kaiser*)
- Aspects of energy efficient construction of residential buildings (*Thorsten Schulz*)

In a second step *Simon Güntner* and *Neil Munslow* are dealing with „Policy-related transnational learning – examples and lessons from the EUROCITIES network”

The case of Hamburg...

In a third step we want to present and discuss concrete examples:

- Energy-efficient housing projects in Tallinn – presented by *Natalie Neill* and *Ilmar Puskar*

Regarding Hamburg we have chosen two examples:

- Climate factor Metropolis – climate protection projects of the International Building Exhibition (Sabine de Buhr)
- Cooperative housing project „Greve´s Garden“ (site visit)

*Thank you
for your attention*