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SYNTHESIS in housing policy

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synthesis in housing policy –



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housing'**
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A. synthesis ---

integrated sustainability of housing (2)

› COMMON LEARNING FROM 'SUITE' - SOCIAL

- a variety of factors, social mix is one possible tool.
- at least two conditions: political leadership and funding.
- case by case assessment.
- useful tools to implement social mix.
- Robust contracting agreements.



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A. synthesis ---

integrated sustainability of housing (3)

› COMMON LEARNING FROM 'SUITE' - **ECONOMIC**

- housing affordability / housing exclusion a problem ---- sustainable solutions.
- examples (NC meeting) (prevention from eviction, joined-up services, social aspects of regeneration ...).
- Policy on homelessness (young people) (case study!).
- Some partners: severe lack of funding.



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A. synthesis ---

integrated sustainability of housing (4)

› COMMON LEARNING FROM 'SUITE' - ENVIRONMENTAL

- Holistic - it includes a wide array of technical, urban and social measures.
- Initial investment can 'pay off'.
- Mainstreaming high-grade solutions >> information platforms.
- Early resident's involvement
- Solutions in the old stock -- biggest overall impact



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A. synthesis ---

integrated sustainability of housing (5)

- › COMMON LEARNING FROM 'SUITE'
looking back and forward –

main targets of this seminar and the morning workshops

- **Discussion on** the possibilities to plan / act / implement a **synergy** and defining main findings on this.
- First workshop: **Warming up** for the LAP synergy discussion and the LAP peer reviews in the afternoon.
- Providing last **input for finalising LAPs** which are the maximum holistic possible.

Collecting and discussing main findings and **key messages** from the whole project >>>
final report and dissemination.



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B.answers based on the results
from the synthesis fact sheet –
city housing policy (1)

› COMMON LEARNING FROM ‘SUITE’ - **application of lessons in the cities**

- All applied lessons – balanced by ‘pillar’, a majority: all 3.
- Positive impact of the project!
- Also ENVI information successfully transmitted (although focus for LAPs more on SOC)
- A strong sign for an interest in and a capacity for the implementation of a SYNERGY in housing policy.



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B.answers based on the results from the synthesis fact sheet – **city housing policy (2)**

› COMMON LEARNING FROM ‘SUITE’ - **ways of application in the cities**

- Applied in various ways, each used at least 3 out of 4 ways
- Dominant: in planning of future action
- Again: hint on successful synthesis – no ‘dominating focuses’
- SOC application very strong – mostly: in ‘planning of future action’ and ‘bringing into discussion on political level, to stakeholders’
- ECO application in: same as SOC
- ENVI application: strongest in ‘talking with colleagues’ and ‘bringing into discussion on political level, to stakeholders’



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B.answers based on the results
from the synthesis fact sheet –
city housing policy (3)

› COMMON LEARNING FROM ‘SUITE’ - **enablers and obstacles**

Enablers (3 strongest ex aequo, 5 from 8)

- **Staff:**
appropriate skills among staff
sufficient availability of staff
- **Support from**
local political leadership
- There IS a common picture,
however there isn't THE ONE recipe for good
applications.
Cities mention quite specific 'cocktails' of
enablers.



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B.answers based on the results
from the synthesis fact sheet –
city housing policy (4)

› COMMON LEARNING FROM ‘SUITE’ - **enablers and obstacles**

- **obstacles**

- Strongest: **finance** -
- **Lack of funding in general, and the impact of the global economic crisis**

(5 out of 8)

another critical point:

- the sufficient availability of **staff**
(in terms of **shortage of staff hours**).
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- ENVI and ECO:
main obstacle: funding
'appropriate **skills** among staff' – training!
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6 out of 8 partners named cases of good practice on 'integrated housing sustainability' (Hamburg, Tallinn, Nantes M, Newcastle u.T., Rennes M, Santiago)

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