

SUITE the <social> housing project

SUITE and HOPUS – relation via an URBACT 'cloud'

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URBACT SUITE a project on.....



Looking for quality – the 'idea'

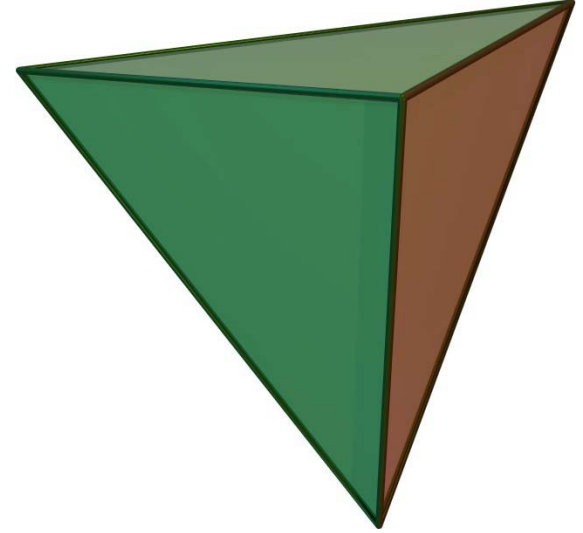
Quality of life for residents – quality sustainable living

SUITE - Housing programmes – municipalities, a 'network'

HOPUS – breaks down to 'space and place'

SUITE – the simple method >>>

SUITE the methods



based on a **triangle**
of thematic work -
coordinated by thematic working groups,
integrating thematic meetings and
a local-international process ,
>>>>>>> sustainability –
social, economic, environmental
culminating at a **synergy** level
at the top of the 'pyramid'.

URBACT SUITE social sustainability

The 'SOCIAL MIX' conclusions:

Politicians should want it!

Provide money in the long run.

Look what is the case locally.

Hand in hand.

Use your tools.

Together with the residents!

- collecting good cases





SUITE social sustainability

'SOCIAL MIX' good cases:

Elements - Empowerment, services

Life cycle

(Nantes Métropole)

Re-housing after regeneration

(Nantes Métropole)

'identity'-building during regeneration

(Newcastle upon Tyne)

'urban village'

(Newcastle upon Tyne)

Integrated local programmes

(Hamburg)



URBACT SUITE economic sustainability

Clear disparities between new and old EU member states.

- **Housing the most expensive item in household consumption in North-Western Europe.**
- **Complex interactions between the wide range of subsidies, benefits and programmes in each country.**
- **Regional disparities .**
- **Interactions between different housing market segments.**

(post) economic crisis

**impact on tenants, home owners,
developers, s.housing providers,
municipalities !**

**housing programmes have improved
affordability for the poorest in their city**

Housing remains affordable in their city.



Cities with high house prices face shortage of affordable



SUITE economic sustainability

'AFFORDABILITY' good cases:
Elements - funding and mobilisation, services

**Youth housing service
(Newcastle upon Tyne)**

**Re-housing after 'restitution'
(Tallinn)**

**Mobilising private stock
(Newcastle upon Tyne)**

**Structured land policy and ppp
(Santiago de Compostela)**

**local anti-crisis programmes
(Tallinn, Medway C., NC)**



URBACT SUITE environmental sustainability

Some findings from the survey:

“Urban policy isn't (yet?) an issue !“

(however - material, infrastructure and design concept IS).

'Rising the environmental standard of housing' IS a core policy in the housing programme





SUITE environmental sustainability

Reference to new developments, power house etc.

'ENVIRONMENT' good cases:

Elements - comprehensive planning process for big areas, or for very small 'private' projects

Environmental aspects in brownfield regeneration
(Ile de la Loire, Nantes, France)

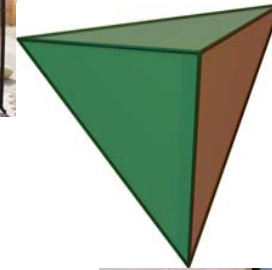
Energy efficiency and its social/economic/
technical impact (Hamburg, D; IBA)

Innovative and integrated
living (Greve's Garden
Hamburg, D)



CLOUD synergy

- **Quality sustainable living**
- **Quality of life, quality of place**
- **City Lab, articles, case studies**



>>>>>>>>> **AVANTI !**

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