

The EU Urban Agenda and funding for cities

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Past, present and future of the EU Urban Agenda

EP resolution 2011

CoR opinions 2013, 2016

1994-2006
Urban programmes

1997
Commission
Communication

2014
Commission
Communication

2016 onwards:
EU Urban
Agenda
Put in practice
through
12 partnerships

2007
Leipzig Charta
Sust. European cities

2010
Toledo Declaration
Urban development

2016
Pact of Amsterdam
EU Urban Agenda

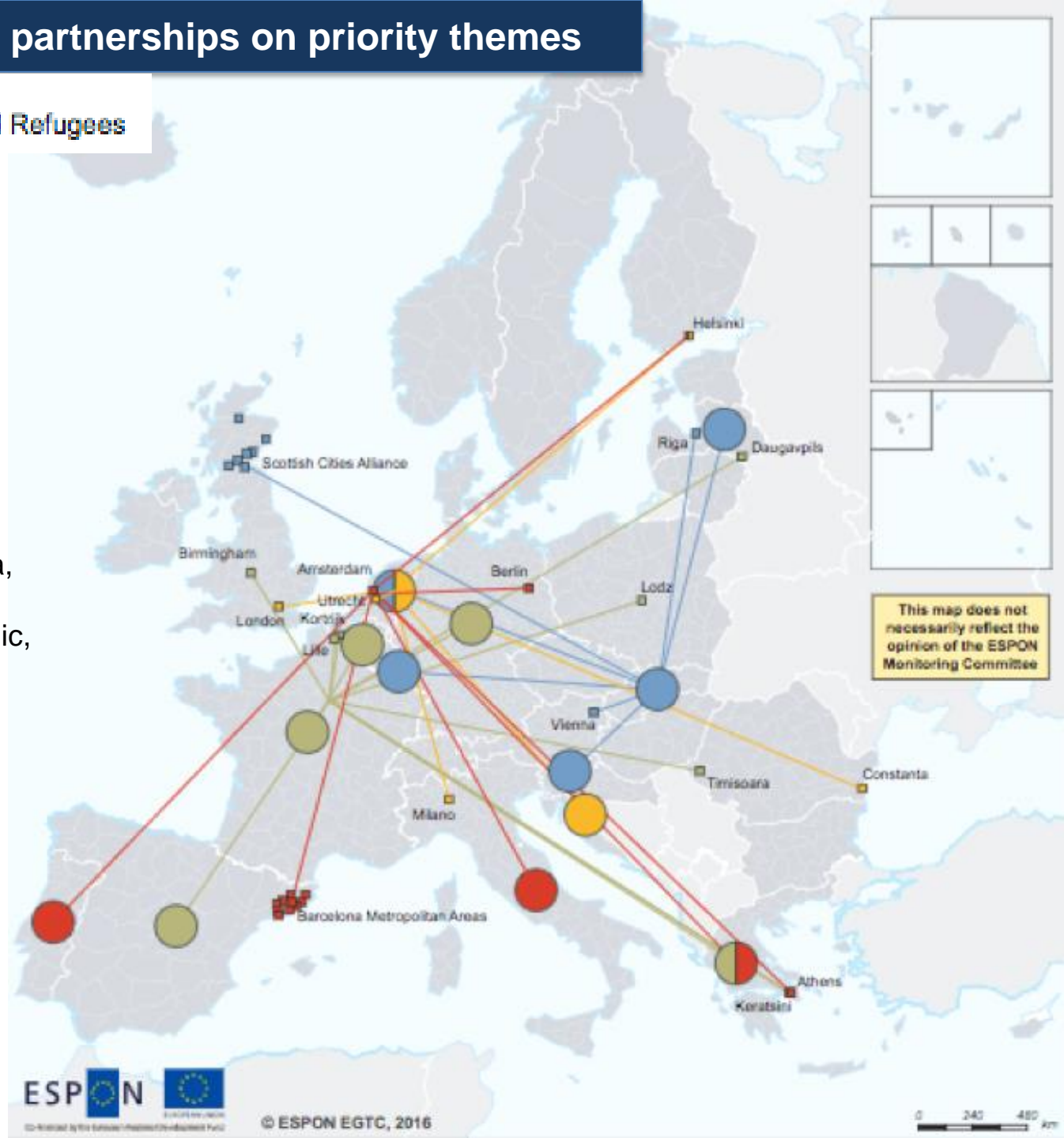
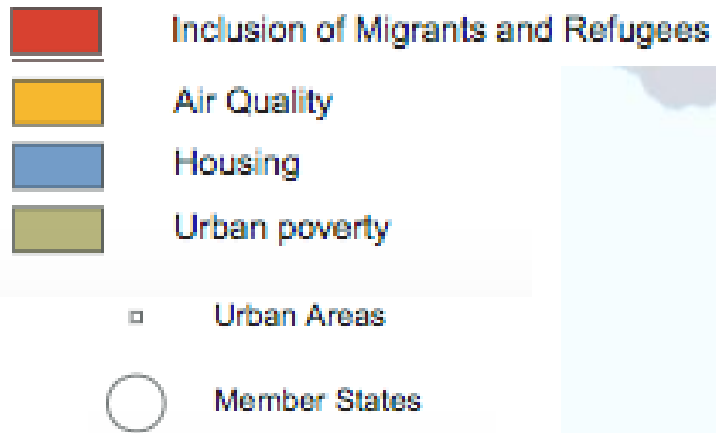
2011
Territorial Agenda 2020

Eurocities 2014

CEMR 2015

UN Habitat I-III (1976, 1996, 2016: The New Urban Agenda)

EU Urban Agenda: 12 partnerships on priority themes



to be launched by early 2017:

- Circular economy: Oslo
- Digital transformation: Estonia, Oulu, Sofia
- Urban mobility: Czech Republic, Karlsruhe
- Skills and jobs: Romania, Rotterdam, Jelgava

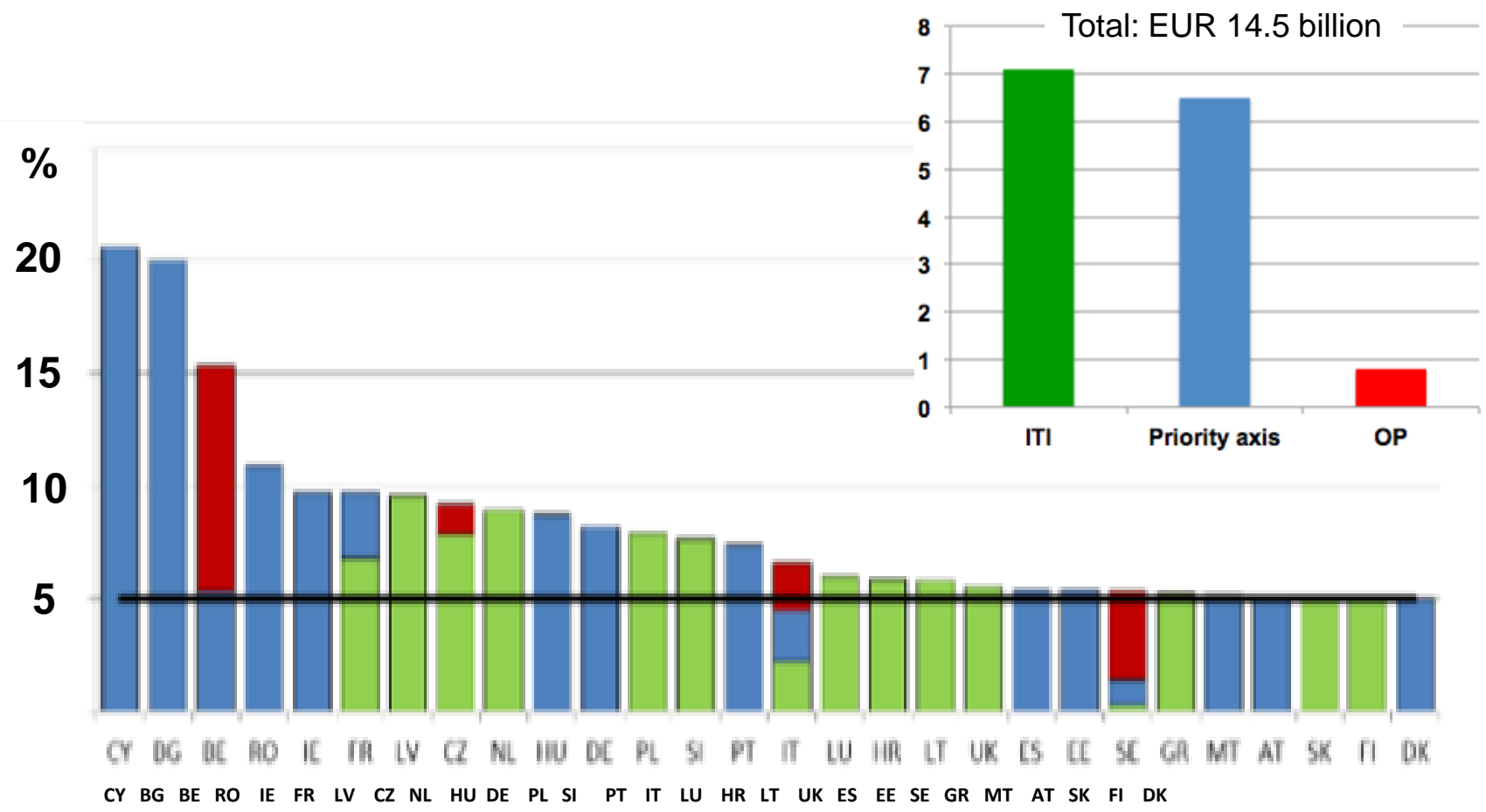
to be launched by summer 2017

- Public procurement;
- Sustainable land use;
- Energy transition;
- Climate adaptation

European Regional Development Fund (ERDF): total of 187 billion (excl. territorial cooperation) of which EUR 100 billion (54%) spent in cities through operational programmes, of which

- EUR 14.5 billion (7.8%) directly managed at local level in the framework of integrated [Sustainable Urban Development](#) strategies, namely through [Integrated Territorial Investments](#) and [Community-led Local Development](#)
- Cooperation and policy learning through [Urbact III](#) (EUR 96.3 million), [Interreg Europe](#) (EUR 359 million)
- [Urban Development Network \(UDN\)](#) of DG REGIO organises conferences workshops and study visits for more than 500 cities
- [International Urban Cooperation \(IUC\)](#): Between 2016 and 2019, EUR 20 million from the ERDF will be used to establish projects between EU cities and third countries (city-to-city/sustainable development; sub-national/Covenant of Mayors; interregional/innovation)
- **European Social Fund (ESF):** total of EUR 86 billion for job creation, training, social inclusion, of which EUR 1.5 billion for sustainable urban development

ERDF budget for sustainable urban development 2014-2020



15 Member States use Integrated Territorial Investments (ITI), four Operational Programmes (OP) are dedicated to Sustainable Urban Development (metropolitan programme Italy, Brussels, Prague, Stockholm). 75% of the total will be invested in energy efficiency, urban mobility, urban regeneration and social inclusion

Urbact III programme

Financed by the ERDF since 2002

EUR 96.3 million (2014-2020)

Themes: capacity-building,
policy design,
implementation,
knowledge sharing

- ★ Lead Partner (LP)
- Project Partner (PP)
- ◎ PP in 2 Projects
- ★ LP + PP
- New PP (phase 2)



Urban Innovative Actions

Initiative financed by the ERDF

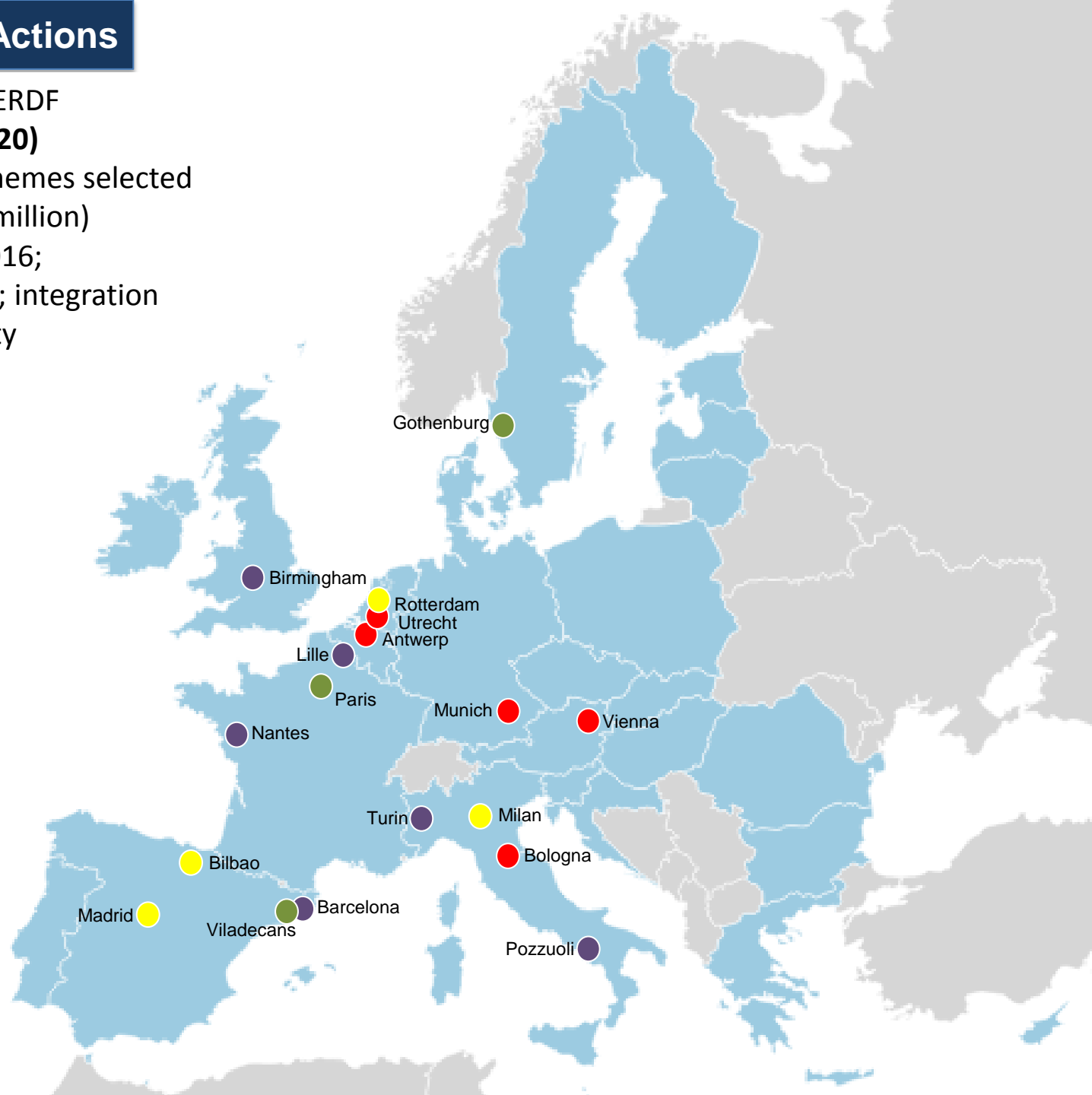
EUR 371 million (2014-2020)

1st call: 18 cities on four themes selected
in October 2016 (EUR 80 million)

2nd call: end November 2016;

themes: circular economy; integration
of migrants; urban mobility

- Energy transition
- Migrants' integration
- Skills and jobs
- Urban poverty



The European Investment Bank and urban development

Since 2011, the EIB provided EUR 95 billion in urban lending and will extend its financing to projects with higher risk under the [European Fund for Strategic Investments](#). EIB instruments include:

- [Direct Investment loan](#) for a specific investment project or programme, normally with a project cost exceeding EUR 100 million;
- [Framework Loan made directly to a city](#), normally to finance a 3-5 year multi-sector investment programme in excess of EUR 100 million;
- Framework Loan via a [financial intermediary](#) for financing smaller municipalities;
- [Equity Fund Investment](#) into an urban development, infrastructure fund or brownfield fund;
- Advisory support through initiatives such as the [European Investment Advisory Hub](#), [JASPERS](#), and other advisory instruments benefitting cities including [ELENA](#), [EPEC](#), and [fi-compass](#).

More: <http://www.eib.org/projects/sectors/urban-development/index.htm>

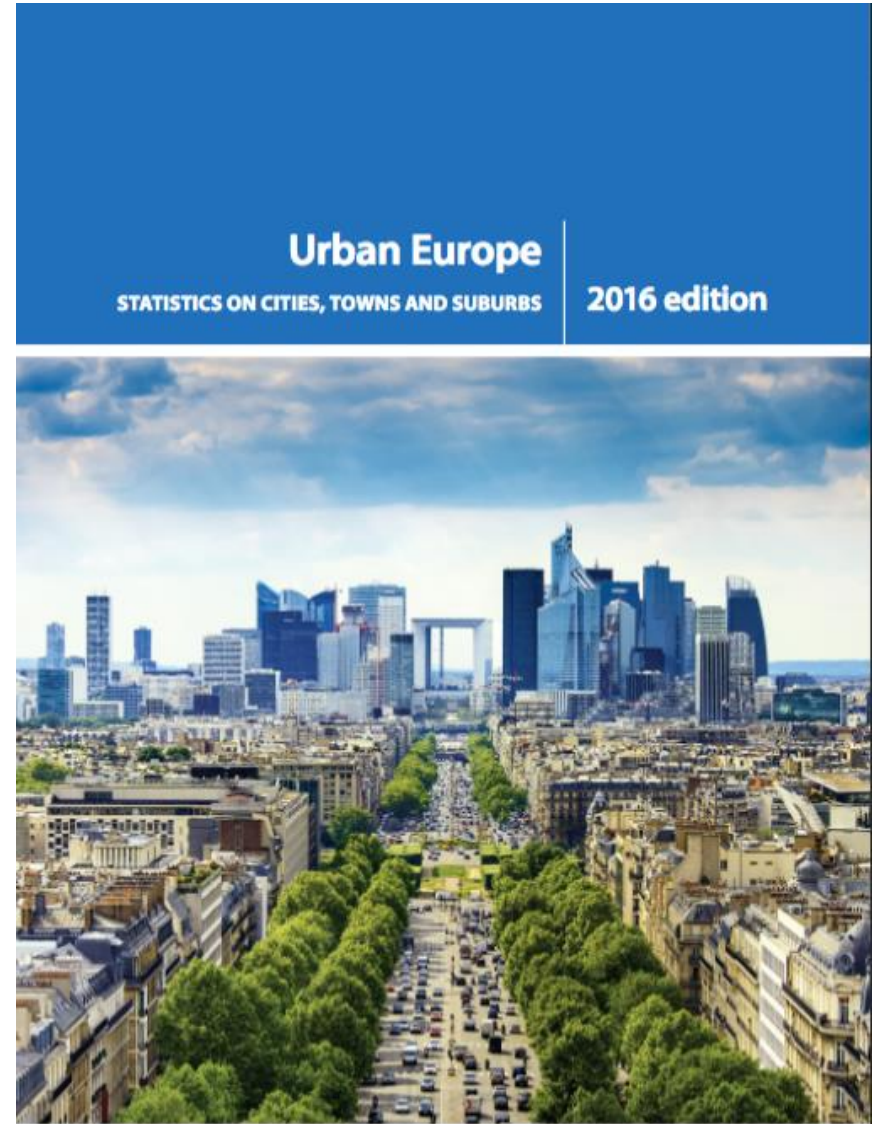
Data about European cities

DG REGIO/UN (2016)

[State of the European cities report 2016](#)



Eurostat (2016) [Urban Europe](#)



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Funding for cities

The EU and the Commission provide support through a wide range of funding programmes, covering funding opportunities as well as advice on how to access funding and put it to use.

More:
http://ec.europa.eu/info/eu-regional-and-urban-development/cities/funding-cities_en