

Green deal

Cities as trailblazers – how to solve global challenges at local level?

The seminar presents best practices of Finnish and European sustainable cities. The participants will be MEPs, experts from the EU Commission, representatives of international networks and local decision makers.

Organisers: Association of Finnish municipalities, City of Lappeenranta, Finland

Date: Tuesday 3rd March 2020

Venue: EU Committee of the Regions, Van Maerlant building, Rue Van Maerlant 2, 1040 Brussels
– Room VM1 (2nd floor)

12.30	Welcome coffee	
13.00	Opening words	Commissioner Virginus Sincevicius (tbc)
13.20	Regions and cities paving the way to Europe's future	Markku Markkula , Vice President, European Committee of the Regions
13.40	Green deal and the opportunities for the regions	Claudia Fusco , Head of Unit, DG Environment
14.00	Role of electrification in transition to carbon-neutral industrial sectors	Professor Jarmo Partanen , LUT-University
14.15	Global business which saves the world	Kimmo Rauma , Danfoss Editron and Afstor Ltd
14.35	Sustainability in European trailblazer cities	Miira Riipinen , Association of Finnish municipalities Jyri Hänninen , Vice chairman, City Board of Lappeenranta Frederik Boyer Covenant of Mayors (tbc) Michael Cramer City of Berlin
15.15	On the way to the greenest continent – what is happening on the EU parliament?	Miapetra Kumpula-Natri , Chair of the European Parliament Intergroup on "Climate Change, Biodiversity and Sustainable Development"
15.35	Discussion	
15.50	Closing remarks	Eero Ailio , Advisor on Energy Transition, DG Energy
16.00-17.30	Cocktails	

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