



## PROGRAMME

BEL-Auditorium of Brussels Environment, Tour & Taxis site, Avenue du Port 86C/3000, 1000 Brussels

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| 10.00 | <b>Welcome coffee</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| 10.30 | <b>Introduction</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- <b>Barbara Dewulf</b> (Brussels Environment – Deputy Director-General)</li> <li>- <b>Audrey Henry</b> (State Secretary of the Brussels-Capital Region responsible for Spatial Planning, Urban Development, Public Cleanliness and Energy)</li> <li>- <b>Philippe Close</b> (Mayor of The City of Brussels)</li> </ul>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
| 10.50 | <b>EU Agenda for Cities</b> , promoting a fair energy transition and sustainable urban development, at the heart of the European vision. <b>Kadri Uustal</b> (European Commission – DG Regional and Urban Policy – Head of Unit Cities, Communities, People)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
| 11.00 | <b>Using local potential to decarbonise our cities: the concept of «homegrown energy»</b> , as a means of building resilience, reducing dependency and encouraging more democratic energy systems. <b>Claire Roumet</b> (Energy Cities – Leader of EU Policy and Strategic Partnerships)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| 11.25 | <p><b>Be.SHARE, Carbon neutral heating and cooling network</b>, a decarbonisation laboratory and the result of an innovative partnership.</p> <p><b>Project presentation</b><br/> <b>Vincent Vandernoot</b> (Brussels Environment – Project Manager)</p> <p><b>Strategic component</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Representatives of partner organisations present their incentives and expectations for the project, and the importance of innovation as a lever for transformation: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- <b>Barbara Dewulf</b>, Deputy Director-General, Brussels Environment</li> <li>- <b>Inne Mertens</b>, CEO Sibelga</li> <li>- <b>Grégory Meys</b>, CEO KARNØ</li> <li>- <b>Laurence Bovy</b>, CEO VIVAQUA</li> <li>- <b>Sandrine Couturier</b>, Director of Convivence</li> <li>- <b>Prof. Peter Schelkens</b>, Vice-rector for Innovation and Valorisation, VUB</li> <li>- <b>Frederik Ceulemans</b>, Deputy Mayor for Climate, City of Brussels</li> </ul> </li> <li>Debate and discussion with the audience.</li> </ul> <p><b>Operational component</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Project managers talk about their challenges in the field, and share the keys to successful partnerships: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- <b>Vincent Vandernoot</b>, Project Manager, Brussels Environment</li> <li>- <b>Guillaume Lambin</b>, Project Manager District Heating, Sibelga</li> <li>- <b>Donald Gilbert</b>, Business Developer, KARNØ</li> <li>- <b>Olivier Broers</b>, Director Studies and Investments, VIVAQUA</li> <li>- <b>Claire Gravouil</b>, Technical Advisor, Convivence</li> <li>- <b>Svend Bram</b>, Professor, VUB</li> </ul> </li> <li>Discussion with the audience.</li> </ul> |

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| 12.50 | <b>Closing</b><br>- <b>Ans Persoons</b> (State Secretary of the Brussels-Capital Region for the Environment, responsible for Climate, Urban Renewal, Heritage and the Image of Brussels) |
| 13.00 | <b>Lunch &amp; Networking</b>                                                                                                                                                            |

**Optional:**

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| 14.00 | <b>Site visit</b> - departure from Brussels Environment                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| 14.15 | <b>Site visit - Discover the project in the field</b> with a presentation of each partner's activities <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Overview of the heating and cooling network (Sibelga)</li> <li>• The geothermal field in Maximilian Park (KARNO)</li> <li>• Sewer riothermia (VIVAQUA)</li> <li>• Energy consumption support for social housing tenants (Convivence)</li> </ul> |
| 15.30 | <b>Estimated finish time</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |

