

# **INTERCULTURAL CITIES MILESTONE EVENT** lisbon 28-29 november 2017

URBAN POLICIES FOR INCLUSIVE INTEGRATION AND DIVERSITY ADVANTAGE | LEARN HOW SUCCESFULL CITIES MANAGE DIVERSITY AS A RESOURCE | DEBATE WITH MAYORS ABOUT POLICY CHALLENGES | HELP BUILD A BETTER MULTILEVEL GOVERNANCE OF INTEGRATION | WALK THE DIVERSITY TALK IN LISBON NEIGHBOURHOODS | ENGAGE WITH A COMMUNITY OF PRACTICE FROM OVER 100 CITIES





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# JOIN THE INTERCULTURAL CITIES 2017 MILESTONE EVENT

# Urban policies for inclusive integration and diversity advantage

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- Engage in a debate with Mayors about the most innovative and successful approaches to managing urban cultural diversity and the intercultural approach to social integration across Europe and worldwide.
- Help design solutions to urban challenges in dialogue with diverse residents of Lisbon experience the power of the diversity advantage.
- Take part in the Inclusive Integration Policy lab to debate with Mayors & Ministers about building effective multi-level governance of diversity.
- Contribute to the evolution of knowledge and the adapting of the Intercultural cities concept to the challenges of managing diversity in the context of increasing fears of violent radicalisation, aggressive nativism and deepening divides.

#### **Event's concept**

The event will use dynamic, interactive formats (no prepared speeches!) and experiential learning in order to enable participants to "live diversity and shape the diversity advantage". Participants will also engage in collaborative design sessions calling upon their knowledge and experience to work out concrete solutions for specific diversity & inclusion challenges.

### **About Intercultural cities**

Since its launch in 2008 as a pilot initiative involving only 11 cities, the Intercultural Cities (ICC) has developed into an influential coalition of over 100 cities across Europe and overseas which advocates for **intercultural integration**: an asset-based approach to migrant inclusion policies. In the context of the ICC programme cities work together to develop, test and mainstream innovative approaches to managing diversity as a resource, amplifying its socio-economic benefits and minimising its potential negative effects.

In 2015, based on the positive results achieved by the Intercultural cities programme, the Council of Europe member States have endorsed intercultural integration as an effective response to the challenges of ever growing cultural diversity of European societies.

### Participants

Intercultural cities Mayors, other elected representatives & officials European, regional, & national officials in the field of inclusion/integration Representatives of NGOs, academia, foundations, think tanks, intercultural centres and other stakeholders active in the intercultural integration field

Participation is free of charge & open to all subject to availability of space.

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