

Sustainability Governance

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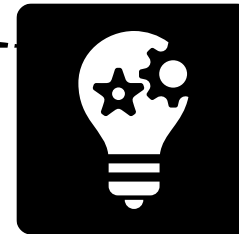
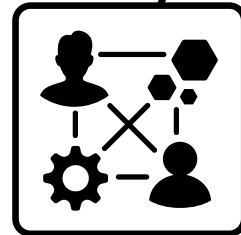


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Peer learning in practice

📍 78 peer reviews implemented since 2019*

📍 44 matchmaking sessions



1700+ organisations supported



Peer review: Sustainable governance

► City of Tallin, Estonia

Peers from: **Belgium, Spain, Sweden, and United Kingdom**



Recommendations:

- better inter-departmental cooperation and participatory processes
- targeted communication: common narrative and storytelling
- developing a rolling action plan that combines short-term and long-term actions
- active involvement of the private sector and a formalised collaboration with the national level

More information available [**here**](#)



Why Sustainability governance is a hot topic for local and regional authorities?

From global: Transforming our World: the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development (U.N. resolution adopted Sept 2015)

- 17 Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) with 169 targets and over 230 indicators
- to be achieved globally by 2030

To local: cities, municipalities, regions

- Cities are critical battlegrounds. They generate 70% of global emissions. They house half of humanity
- 60% of the SDGs are tackled at local levels
- Cities and other local authorities play a key role in addressing the policy challenges related to sustainable development



At midterm to 2030: most SDGs are not on track



Progress assessment for the 17 Goals based on assessed targets, 2023 or latest data



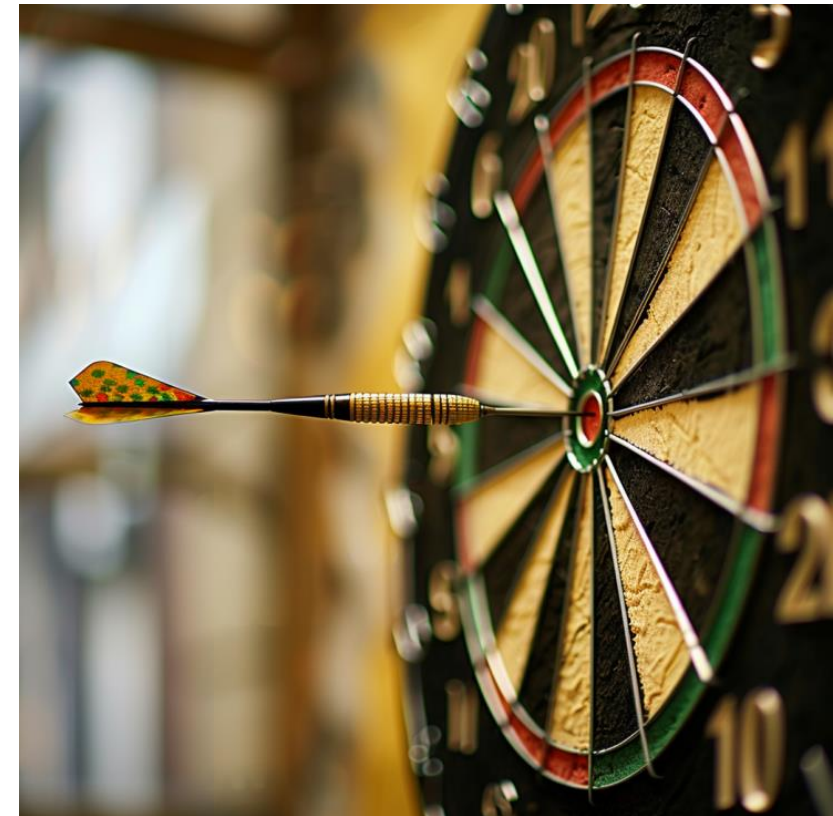
Better sustainability governance can help

Governance for sustainability: A governance system that enables us to meet our sustainability targets

“To achieve the transformation of our cities, we also need a **transformative management system**. We call this ‘Sustainability governance’.

It takes the SDGs as the framework for our ambitions and proposes **a system of processes and relationships** that would help us build consensus, develop policies, and facilitate skills and enthusiasm to achieve our goals....”

<https://greentallinn.eu/en/flag-projects/sustainability-governance-framework/>



Agenda

Welcome & Introduction

Katharina Krell, Interreg Europe Policy Learning Platform

Keynote: Localising SGDs as opportunity to make governance more sustainable

Sara Hoeflich, Assistant Secretary General for Service Innovation, United Cities and Local Governments (UCLG)

City case studies

Systematically localising the SDG's: examples from Mannheim – Christian Hübel, Head of the Democracy and Strategy Department, Mannheim, DE and Chair of the Eurocities SDG Task Force

Tallinn's journey towards strengthening sustainability governance – Stina Heikkila, Sustainability Governance Advisor, Tallinn City Strategic Management Office, Estonia, and beneficiary of a Peer Review on Sustainability Governance

Malmö's strategy for localising the SDGs – Marcus Ljungqvist, City of Malmö, SE

Panel discussion / Q&A

Wrap up & Conclusions

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