



"B-Team"

Brownfield Policy Improvement Task Force

Objectives

To improve regional policies influencing Brownfield redevelopment through transfer of best practice

B-Team will offer policy support in the regions that will help to develop Brownfield sites prior to Greenfield land as a principle.

Through the involvement of a number of experts within and outside the partnership, B-Team encourages international networking, trans-disciplinary and trans-sectoral cooperation. In the European Dissemination Events B-Team will involve organisations outside the network and aims to change the mindset of people involved in regeneration processes and decision-makers.



As cities become more congested and green space and landscape disappear, new methods of urban regeneration are increasingly important. B-Team addresses the issue of improving and transferring Brownfield policies in partner regions and beyond.

The project partners will be involved in activities/events leading to the elaboration of local and regional recommendations for relevant policies in the partner regions. The transfer of best practices will provide a unique opportunity to learn from each others' experiences and apply new approaches.

With a broad dissemination of the results of the work, awareness of the importance of Brownfield redevelopment will be raised on the European scale.

B-Team will assist cities in moving forward the redevelopment of problematic Brownfield sites. Local authorities often run into roadblocks in developing complex or challenging sites and an outside perspective can offer the opportunity or the impetus to advance a project.

It has been recognised that to tackle the issue of Brownfield redevelopment on a long-term sustainable basis, it is not enough to address the redevelopment of individual sites but that it is essential to consider the problem from a policy perspective.

Key focus is on closing the existing gap between the different EU regions involved, contributing to the catching up process in the New Member States.

B-Team will bring together experts of Brownfield regeneration from different countries to exchange their experiences in local and regional policies and jointly improve and transfer them. Beside the exchange that will take place in the "Brownfield Days", these experiences will be discussed and disseminated to a broader public in European Dissemination Events. The policy recommendations will be implemented in the planning process of the partners in need of changing their policies or introducing new policies; the partners are signing the "Brownfield Pledge" committing themselves to improvements regarding their policies. To enhance the cooperation and the learning process every partner organises regional meetings. Relevant policy makers will be informed about the progress of the project and the implementation of the policy recommendations are discussed.

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Outputs

- Improved local/regional policies
- Increased competencies for local authorities
- "Brownfield Days" as support for partner cities
- European Dissemination Events / EDE
- Shared Point as collaboration space on website
- Innovative solutions for common problems
- Strong relationships between regions and sectors across Europe
- Policy Improvement Programme / PIP



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