

URBAN INNOVATORS TRAINING PROGRAMME



ABOUT THE PROGRAMME

Urban Innovators Training Programme is a unique learning opportunity **jointly designed by universities, enterprises, social initiatives and public administrations across Europe** - all experts in urban planning and regeneration.

This programme is multidisciplinary, practice-based and case-oriented. **It aims to train Urban Innovators able to manage the transformation of urban spaces.** The learning process will be structured around four Urban Living Labs, each based in one of the major European cities: **Amsterdam, Venice, Timișoara and Bilbao.**

HOW WILL IT WORK?

Urban Innovators Training Programme will **pilot simultaneously in four countries: Italy, Romania, The Netherlands and Spain.** Students will work both nationally and internationally. They will explore their local context by developing practical proposals through Urban Living Labs and gain context-specific knowledge through a series of frontal training sessions with local experts.

Urban Living Lab is a **new participatory learning approach.** The main purpose of this learning method is to give an opportunity for students to work on real-life urban challenges in their cities and to engage with local communities and actors. Students will be encouraged to generate practical social impact for the area.

Another important aspect of our training is its focus on international cooperation and learning about best practices across the globe. All students will be invited to attend three onsite international short schools in different European cities. We will also offer a series of online webinars with focus on international case studies and possibilities for students to exchange ideas, reflections and compare projects through constant communication with peers from all involved countries.

In addition, each student will be offered a peer-to-peer mentorship and a coaching programme with a dedicated expert who will

PROGRAMME OVERVIEW AND TIMELINE

The programme will last one year, starting **in October 2022 and finishing in October 2023**.

It will launch with a **National Kick-off Meeting** in local clusters (Italy, Romania, The Netherlands and Spain). Students will receive first online international training to meet their peers across Europe.

Throughout the year, students will have **five in-presence two-day training sessions** in their local clusters. These trainings will happen on the same days in all countries and tackle the same topics, but with national experts. The programme will be divided into one day-long field work in Urban Living Labs and one-day online exchange with international peers.

Students will also need to attend **four two-day online international sessions** where they will get training on the same topics, work on their Urban Lab challenges digitally and connect with peers from other countries.

We will offer **11 online webinars (1,5 hour each)** with focus on best international practices and case-studies throughout the programme.

Last but not least, students will be encouraged to attend **three International Schools**: one in Amsterdam at the end of October 2022; one in Timișoara in May, 2023; and last one in Bilbao in October 2023.

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EUREKA Urban Innovators Training Programme

October 2022 - October 2023

MAIN FEATURES OF THE TRAINING

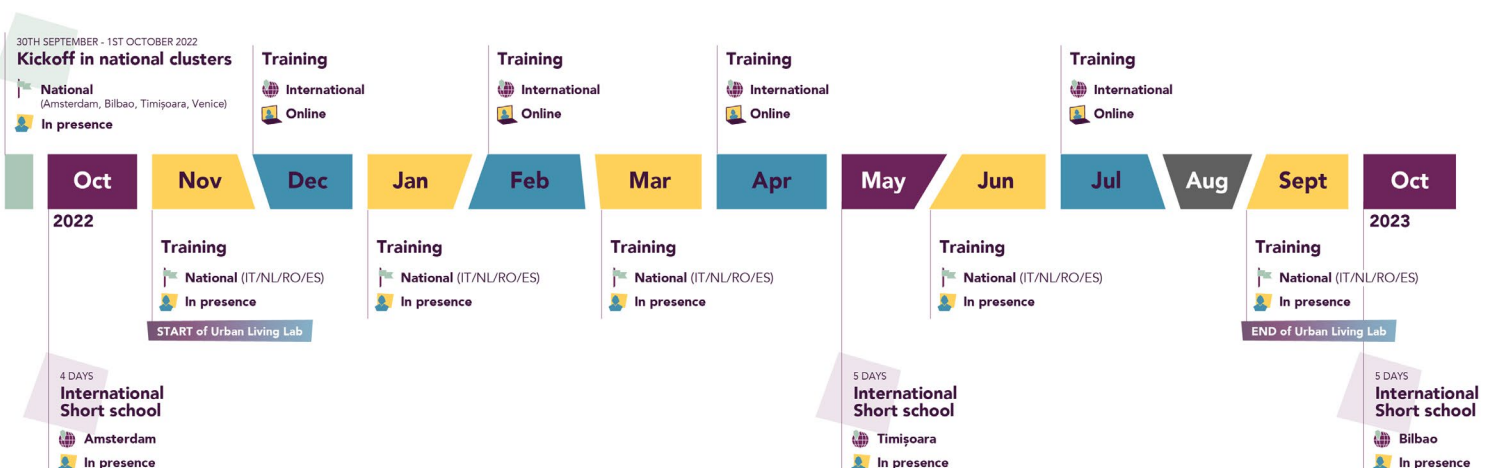
International Interdisciplinary

Practice-oriented Innovative/experimental

Co-designed by Universities, practitioners, stakeholders and public administrations

MAIN TOPICS AND DISCIPLINES

- Policies and programs on Urban Innovation
- Socio-economic and urban governance analysis
- Architectural and artistic interventions
- Urban living labs as a framework for challenge-based learning
- Co-designing and organizing with teams and stakeholders
- Community engagement, fundraising and storytelling
- Social impact evaluation
- Ethics for urban innovators: equity, diversity, sensitivity and care
- National regulation on urban transformations



LEGEND

- Kickoff in national clusters 2 DAYS
- In-presence International short schools 4-5 DAYS
- In-presence training modules in the national clusters 2 DAYS
- Online international training modules 2 DAYS

Co-funded by the European Programme of the European Union

EUREKA Training Urban Innovators

WHO CAN APPLY FOR THE PROGRAMME

Urban Innovators Training Programme is open for both young professionals active in urban disciplines and students engaged in the relevant programme. This programme is suited for Master students, graduates, Bachelor graduates and students towards the end of their degree programme.

It is also open to anyone working in the sector of urban, cultural and creative innovation with focus on a territorial approach and social justice.

WE PARTICULARLY WELCOME BUT DO NOT LIMIT THE SELECTION TO:

- **architects, urban planners, landscape architects and other spatial designers** interested in acquiring soft skills to analyse the territories in which they operate;
- **anthropologists, sociologists, political scientists, public administration graduates, geographers and economists** interested in acquiring technical skills to use urban space as a field of application for social innovation;
- **practitioners and social entrepreneurs** who want to undertake or have already activated urban innovation projects through social innovation, interested in building a multidisciplinary toolbox and being part of a national and international network;
- **public administrators and civil servants** interested in innovating their work tools through knowledge and exchange with initiatives, good practices and procedures used to start and manage urban innovation processes;
- **third sector operators - in particular in the cultural, welfare, social housing, social, immigration, local development sectors** - who want to exploit urban innovation as a tool for improving the territory where they operate and become part of an international community of social innovators;
- **practitioners from private companies operating in design, architecture, real estate, IT**, that are interested in urban innovation and urban development projects.

DISCLAIMER! As we will be working in four National Clusters - Italy, Spain, The Netherlands, Romania - we expect participants of the Programme to be based in one of these countries.

APPLICATION PROCESS

Important dates

Application round: Between 9 June - 2 September, 2022.

Interviews with selected candidates, evaluation and notification: Between 3-16 September, 2022

Start of the Programme: 30 September, 2022.

What to submit in your application

To apply, applicants should send the following documents, latest by 2 September, 2022:

- Full Curriculum Vitae in English
- Motivation letter in English expressing the motivations to attend the EUREKA training path

Please send the documents in a single file in PDF format. The document should be named "Eureka2022-Applicant's surname.pdf". The subject line of the application email should be formatted as follows: "Eureka2022-Applicant's surname".

Depending on for which Cluster you are applying, please send your application to one of the addresses below:

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THE NETHERLANDS

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Evaluation criteria and minimum requirements

Each Cluster will select around 15 participants for the Urban Innovators Training Programme.

The selection of participants will be based on the following criteria:

- Personal motivation and availability to attend the training
- Consistency of the educational/professional path with the contents of the course
- English proficiency

Important: Students who want to participate in the programme, should at least be enrolled in the last year of bachelor courses, or be in master course or graduated from bachelor or master.

TUITION FEES

The total cost of the Training is 7000 **EUR per student**.

However, for the **2022-2023 intake**, the EUREKA project offers a **full scholarship** covering the **whole costs of tuition** for attending students.

Students will have to cover their own travel and housing expenses for international and national modules on the field.

ATTENDANCE REQUIREMENTS

In order to receive a final certificate of attendance, students are required to **attend at least 70% of the total training days**. The certificate of attendance will include the Transcript of records with number of hours, thematic modules, faculty, involved partners and organizations.

CONTACT

If you have any questions about the programme, please email at eureka@iuav.it.