

The DUT Partnership

Empowering Businesses to Shape the Future of Cities

The DUT Partnership steps up the game to tackle urban challenges. Through research and innovation and capacity building we enable local authorities and municipalities, service and infrastructure providers, and citizens to translate global strategies into local action.

We develop the skills and tools to make urban change happen and boost the urgently needed urban transformations towards a sustainable future with enhanced quality of life in cities.

Our network offers businesses opportunities to connect with other urban actors, gain insights from experts in various fields, enhance their competencies, and increase their visibility among key European stakeholders.



Funding innovative projects

Through annual transnational calls, we fund over 40 research and innovation projects each year. Our transformative programme supports solutions, insights, and knowledge which can be utilised and adopted by cities throughout Europe and beyond.

In the first DUT Call

48

projects with partners from 26 countries was funded

92
SMEs



24
Large enterprises

joined as project and cooperation partners

Top reasons to join our calls

- 1 Funding & scaling opportunities:** Access funding for R&I projects and scale up your solutions.
- 2 Collaborate with leading urban innovators:** Engage with cities, researchers, and other businesses to co-create and implement impactful solutions.
- 3 Gain visibility:** Strengthen your position as a key player in urban transformation and increase your visibility among European stakeholders.



Explore our funded projects in the QR-code below



Get inspired by DUT-funded projects

ERGODIC – Combined Passenger and Goods Transportation in Suburb Traffic

The ERGODIC project aims to demonstrate a novel system for integrated passenger and goods transport, consisting of flexible public transport with modular vehicles and last-mile travel/delivery service with active micro-mobility.

Project coordinator: **Chalmers University of Technology**

Participating countries: **Austria, Italy, Sweden, United Kingdom**



“As consultants, we need to stay alert to the latest practices in mobility planning. The DUT-funded ERGODIC project results will benefit WSP building more reliable future scenarios and improve our understanding of future mobility. In addition, networking with the academic community is also valuable for future cooperation in Europe.”

Sida Jiang, WSP Sweden (project partner)

Making PEDs – Decision-Making Digital Twins for Climate Neutral PEDs

The MAKING PEDs project focuses on Digital Twins as a decision support tool for cities. 11 international partners collaborate to help cities on their path towards climate neutrality to master complexity and making decision-making easier while engaging citizens in urban district regeneration.

Project coordinator: **Fundació Institut de Recerca en Energia de Catalunya**

Participating countries: **Austria, Italy, Norway, Spain**



“One key advantage of being involved in international research projects, such as those in DUT, is gaining access to a wider business network and establishing strong, long-lasting partnerships that often lead to new opportunities even after the projects end.”

Lorenza Pistore, R2M Solution SRL (project partner)

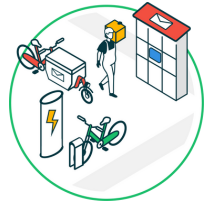
Three Transition Pathways for urban transitions

Our future relies on tackling complex, major challenges here and now, many of which must be addressed within cities and by urban communities. To support cities along their specific strategies, the DUT Partnership focuses on three critical urban sectors and their interrelations.



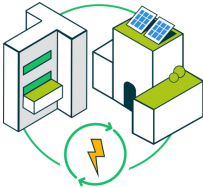
Circular Urban Economies

An integrated approach for urban greening and circularity transitions



15-minute City

Rethinking the urban mobility system and space



Positive Energy Districts

Transforming the urban energy system

Get involved!

Are you passionate about making an impact on urban sustainability? The DUT Partnership offers a gateway to collaborating with a diverse network of stakeholders. Learn how you can get involved by visiting dutpartnership.eu.



Our next funding opportunity will open in September 2025. Join our matchmaking platform to stay informed and find future collaboration partners.

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