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Call for Pilot Cities Cohort 3: Boot Camp & Twinning Learning Programme

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Welcome

Call launched:

- Call Guidelines published
- Submission platform open
- Supporting documents published (Call Guidelines, Financial Guidelines; Guidebook; Application templates and pro formas) – [new Indicator Framework template \(14.02.2024\)](#)

Scheduled webinars:

- Tuesday 23 January (1100 CEST): Ambition & Approach, technical information
- Tuesday 6 February (1100 CEST): Eligibility and Assessment Criteria
- Tuesday 13 February (1100 CEST): Monitoring, Evaluation, Learning & Sensemaking
- **Wednesday 21 February (1100 CEST): Boot Camp & Twinning Cities Learning Programme**

Register for all at the NZC website: www.netzerocities.eu ([Pilot Cities Programme](#) page)





Overview

- Welcoming
- Presentation on the PCP Bootcamp
- Q&A (5 mins)
- Presentation on the Twinning Learning Programme
- Q&A (remaining time as required)



This event is being recorded



Use the Q&A functionality to ask questions



Re/Name yourself and include your city and department



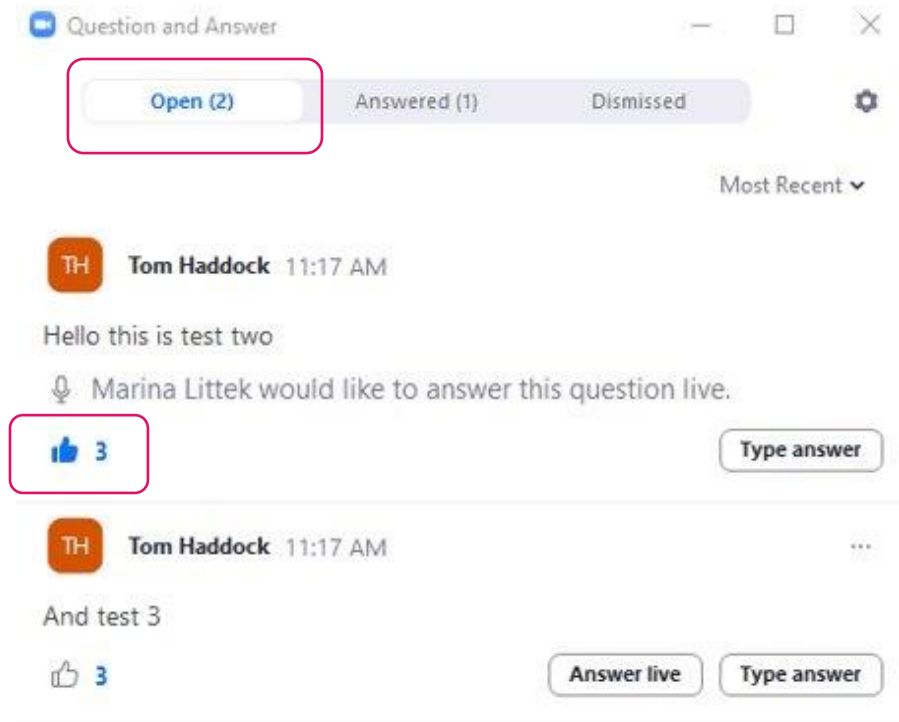


How to use the Q&A

1) Type down your questions



2) Vote up the questions





Key speakers



Joost Beunderman

Director

Dark Matter Labs



Meline Gonzalez Piloyan

Project coordinator

Eurocities





The Pilot Cities Bootcamp

Kicking off the PCP journey



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Why the Bootcamp?

- Kicking off the PCP journey
- Providing you with advice, guidance and support, with opportunities to refine proposals, at this early stage of Pilot City journey
- Ensuring maximum impact and connectivity to your overall Mission journey
- An intensive kick-off period journey that will enable:
 - Relationship building with each other – ideally you don't just build knowledge but through interacting with each other strengthen ties among cities and representatives
 - Peer-to-peer exchange – share your challenges, barriers and solutions with each other, as well as experiences.
 - Learning from invited subject specialists across the NZC PCP Consortium
 - Progression from analysis and understanding of strategic and broad challenge themes to addressing individual challenges and barriers.
 - Finalise your grant agreement





A draft outline: three events

- **20 May Pilot Cities announced**
- **Event 1***: end of May – 1-day online event [in this period, also one-to-one check-in with CA & NZC experts on your application and what's behind it]
- **Event 2**: beginning of June – 1-day online event
- **Event 3**: mid-June – 2-days in-person event, location TBC [plus ongoing one-to-ones with CA & NZC experts]

*precise dates will be confirmed near your application submission, mid-March





Event 1: 1 day – end of May

online event

- Half-day event
- Get to know one another
- Get to know the PCP support infrastructure
- Develop an understanding of cross-cutting areas of work/concepts and methodologies/tools for accelerating impact & learning - applicable across the PCP and beyond
- Ask questions of subject experts
- Share your own knowledge, tools and case studies with each other





Event 2: 1 day – beginning of June online event

- Half-day event
- Focus on peer learning: Continue journey of getting to know other cities on PCP
- An opportunity to get to know the first cohort of PCP cities, their projects, challenges, barriers and solutions.
- Opportunity to ask first cohort of PCP cities questions about their projects and their experiences





Event 3: 2 days – mid-June

in-person event

- Two days event
- Bringing the cities together to meet strengthen relationships
- Presenting your own projects to peers and invited subject experts for a deep dive discussion of challenges, experiences and solutions
- Deep dives into common challenge areas and case studies from invited subject experts
- One-to-one hands-on support from CA's and invited subject experts
- Socialising and networking





Event 3: 2 days – mid-June

in-person event

Practicalities

- We're currently exploring providing financial support to attend the Boot Camp on a reimbursement model basis – details of which are tbc
- Number of representatives to be confirmed: we aim at 2 participants per Pilot, but it depends on the number of accepted Pilot applications





Feedback on Bootcamp 1

- ‘it has brought some new ideas and insights that were left out before, which was great.’
- ‘Good to have an opportunity to present our challenges and to get instant feedback from experts.’
- ‘It was very useful to discover projects working on similar topic, we got contacts that we activated after (we will meet soon with German cities and Lahti).’
- ‘A lot of our challenges are rooted into our system and it takes a lot of thinking, debating, trying to find possible and realistic solutions. Thus would be great to have *longer face to face meetings* with specific experts.’
- ‘In the summer school we have seen, that an *in person* meeting and coaching with workshops to solve together the questions cities have - is really helpful and the discussions among the cities are better than only in the online chat’





Q&A

The Call & System





Pilot Cities Programme

Twinning Learning Programme



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NZC Twin City call

When?

2 months after selecting Pilot Cities (Cohort 3) – Twin City call Cohort 3, forthcoming in Autumn 2024, open for 2 months to apply!

How?

- ✓ Application form – Call Guidelines
- ✓ Pilot City profiles (available online)

Twin City call applications are evaluated in a three-staged process

- 1) Eligibility criteria - non-Mission Cities, from EU/Horizon Associated countries and committed to climate neutrality by 2050!
- 2) Quality evaluation – motivation to learn from pilot activities
- 3) Strategic selection and matching – based on thematic consistency between Pilot and Twin cities, common challenges and learning needs.

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Call for Twin Cities

Call opens on 8 April!

Who can apply?

- Non-Mission Cities that are not yet part of the Twinning and the Pilot Cities Programmes
- From EU countries & Horizon Europe associated countries

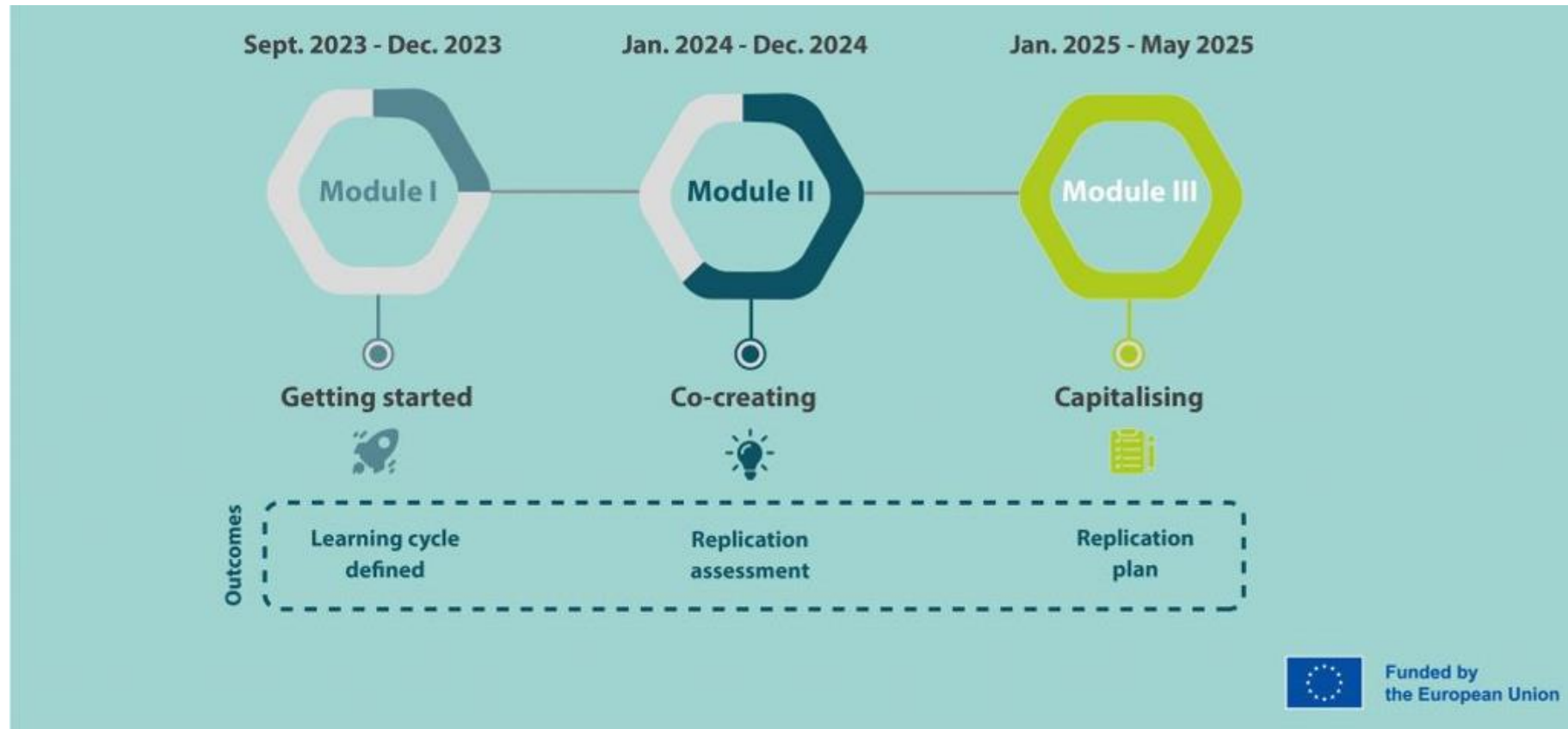
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Next Twin City call for cohort 2



Twinning Learning Programme (TLP)



Infographic from NZC Twinning Learning Programme (Cohort 1 Twin and Pilot Cities) – 2023-2025



What is expected from Pilot Cities (I) ?



Before

- Contribute to the development of **Pilot City profiles**



Multi-City Pilot Activities

 GERMANY <small>Go.AE - Conveyed to Local Climate Action Building</small>	 ITALY <small>Let'sGo - Delivering the Transition through Pilot Actions</small>	 NETHERLANDS <small>Smart FRENCH Cities Pilot</small>
 POLAND <small>NEST - Realizing Resilient and Environmentally Sustainable Territories</small>	 SLOVENIA <small>UPSCALE Urban Pilots - Systemic Change and Livable Environments</small>	 SPAIN <small>Realizabilidad Innovativa & Espacios Soluciones for Urban Regeneration Spain</small>

After

- Contribute to the final stage of selection process (stage 3: matching) – **consultation period**



What is expected from Pilot Cities (II) ?

NZC Twinning
Learning
Programme



General objectives

- Knowledge sharing with your respective Twin Cities while implementing your pilot activities (e.g. provide insights, two-way learning exchange)
- Capacity building and mentoring of Twin Cities' replication efforts of your pilot activities
- Building partnerships with your Twin Cities beyond the TLP

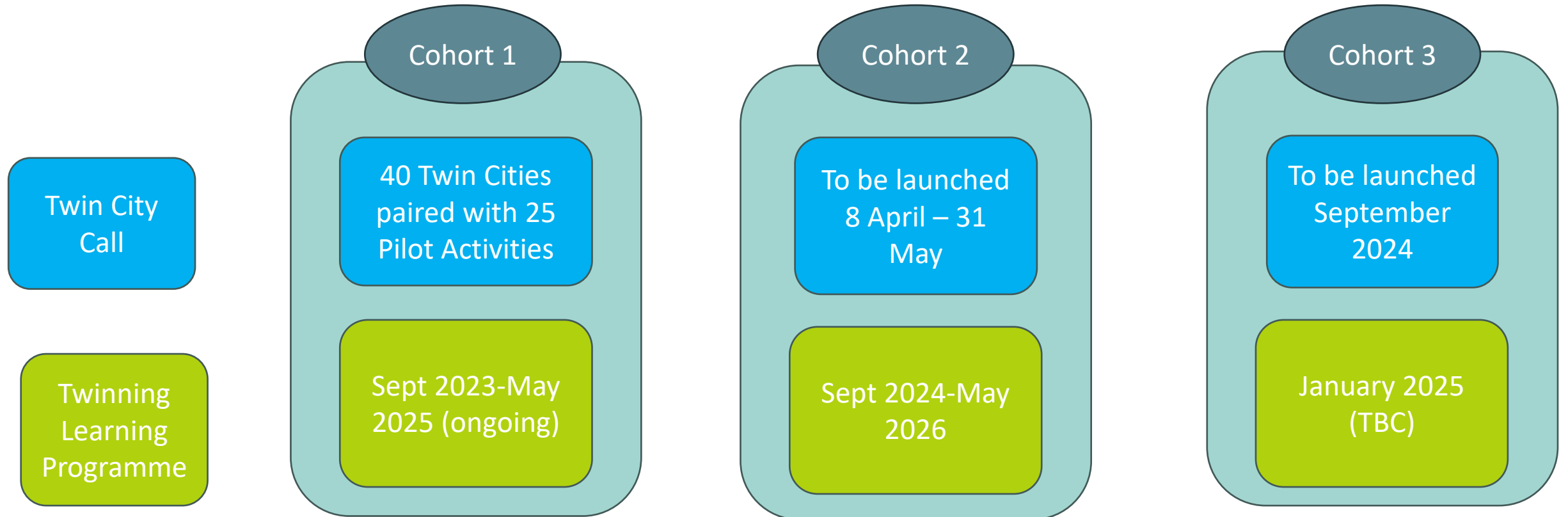
In practice

- Actively engage in the learning journey (online and on-site modules) over the course of 20-months
- Travel budget: TLP budget covers only 1 site visit from 1 city representative from the Pilot City.
- Hosting visits: we recommend allocating budget from your **PCP grant for additional visits and to cover host site-visits:**
 - EUR 900 per 1 person per trip
 - EUR 600 per hosting costs





Pilot and Twins across three Cohorts





Q&A

Twinning Learning Programme



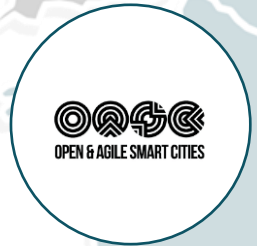
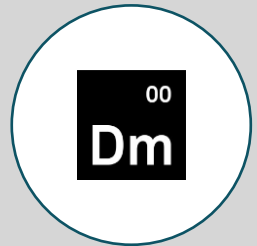
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Summary

- Prepare / navigate (recommendations):
 - **Register** with the Submission system – familiarise yourself with the set-up and invite collaborators. Read the guidance. Ask questions!
 - **Attend** the webinar
 - Download the **templates** and share with colleagues / collaborators.
- Support:
 - pilotcities@netzerocities.eu
 - Feel free to consult the [Technical Guidance Document here](#) or use the system's ticketing system if you have any technical issues/questions
 - twincities@netzerocities.eu





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