

# EU Smart cities initiative

- Changing Europe's Energy System according to Climate Policy Needs (energy efficiency, renewable integration)
- Safe, secure and affordable energy supply (\*)
- Europe's leadership in energy technology and innovation (\*)
- Strengthening the role of cities
  - High living standards for citizens
  - Sustainable environment for next generations
  - High competitiveness of the cities

## New challenges for the cities

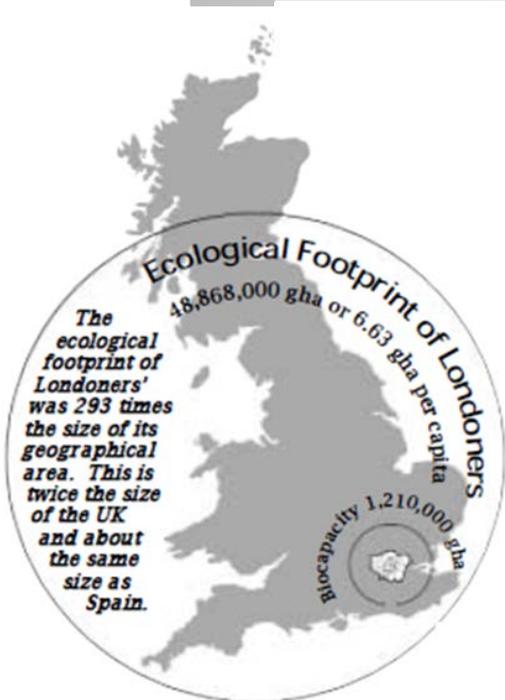
– Vision on cities...

**Inevitable** - 50% of world population in urban areas in 2010; 75% in 2050

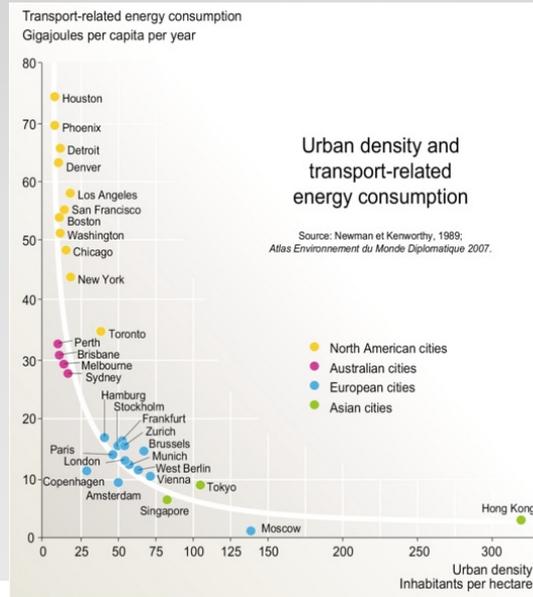
**Dependent** - Cities are nodes of concentrated consumption (3% of earth's surface, 75% of global resource consumption and waste output)

**An opportunity** - increased human density leads to lower environmental impacts

*“Urban sustainability multiplier”* – William Rees

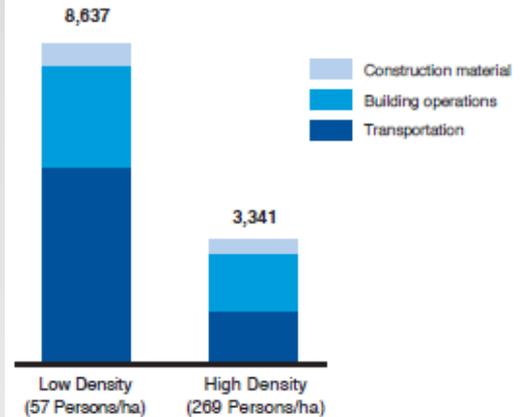


Source: Best Foot Forward, 2002



**Exhibit 9**  
 Higher Density, Lower Emissions Per Capita

Estimated Greenhouse Gas Emissions/Person  
 (Kg CO<sub>2</sub> Equivalent/Year, Toronto)

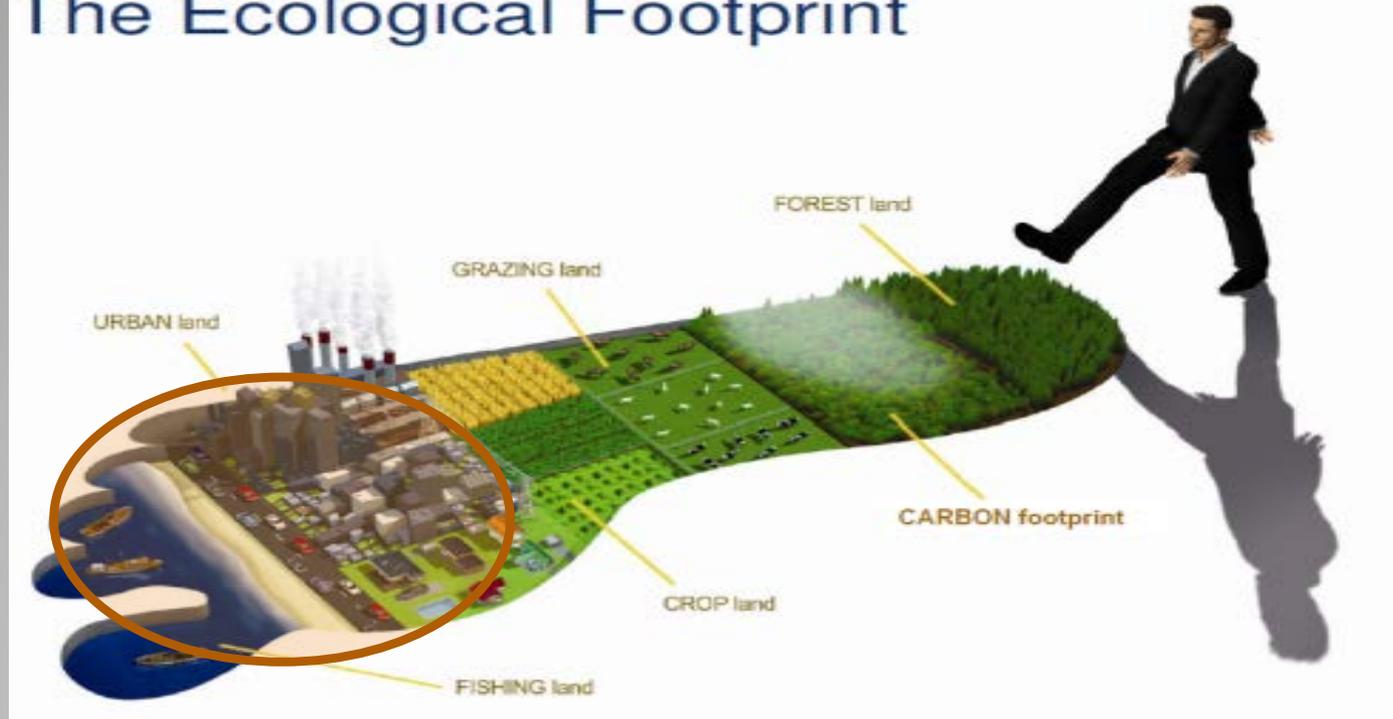


Source: "Comparing High and Low Residential Density: Life-Cycle Analysis of Energy Use and Greenhouse Gas Emissions," Journal of Urban Planning and Development, March 2006



# Key elements of a smart energy city

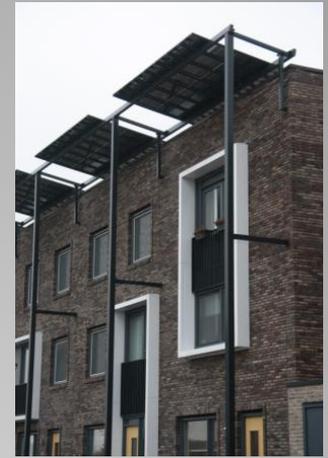
## The Ecological Footprint



*“Until now the main focus of EU climate policies, as well as of the Europe 2020 strategy, has been on the period until 2020. However, the 2 Degrees goals which guides EU's and the world's climate action has major implications for the long term. In line with the UN International Panel on Climate Change (IPCC), the European Council has agreed to the objective to reduce GHG emissions of industrialised countries by 80-95% in 2050 compared to 1990, ... ” (DG CLIMA, 03/2010)*

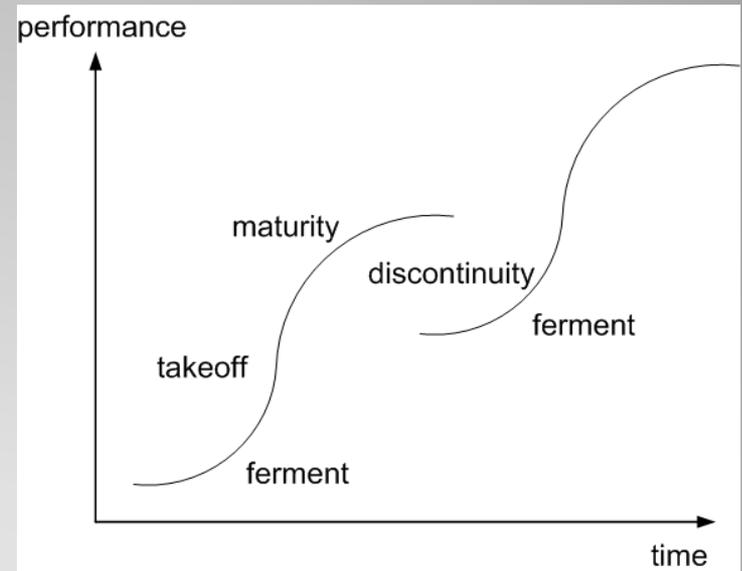
## INTEGRATION IS ESSENTIAL

- **On strategic energy planning level**
  - Multi energy vector approach: heat, cold, electricity
  - Integrated urban and energy system planning
  - Socio-economic factors when planning and implementing
- **On technology level**
  - Combined reduction of final AND primary energy use
  - Physical integration of renewable energy in urban built environment
  - Integrated energy management : match supply and demand during time/temperature level: energy management
- **On process level**
  - Planning and implementation processes for different project types
- **On stakeholder level**
  - Key driving stakeholders: public authorities, housing associations and utilities
  - High political commitment supports the achievement of goals
  - PPP-'s guarantee the fulfilment of objectives in projects requiring private capital
  - Private developers could guarantee fulfillment of energy performance targets
  - Government: member states – regional - local
  - Participation and support of inhabitants



# Lessons learned (CONCERTO) Technology approach

- **Smart Cities** require new approaches
  - Fully integrated designed and intelligent managed energy systems
  - From a single technology perspective to multi technology perspective



**The step towards smart cities**

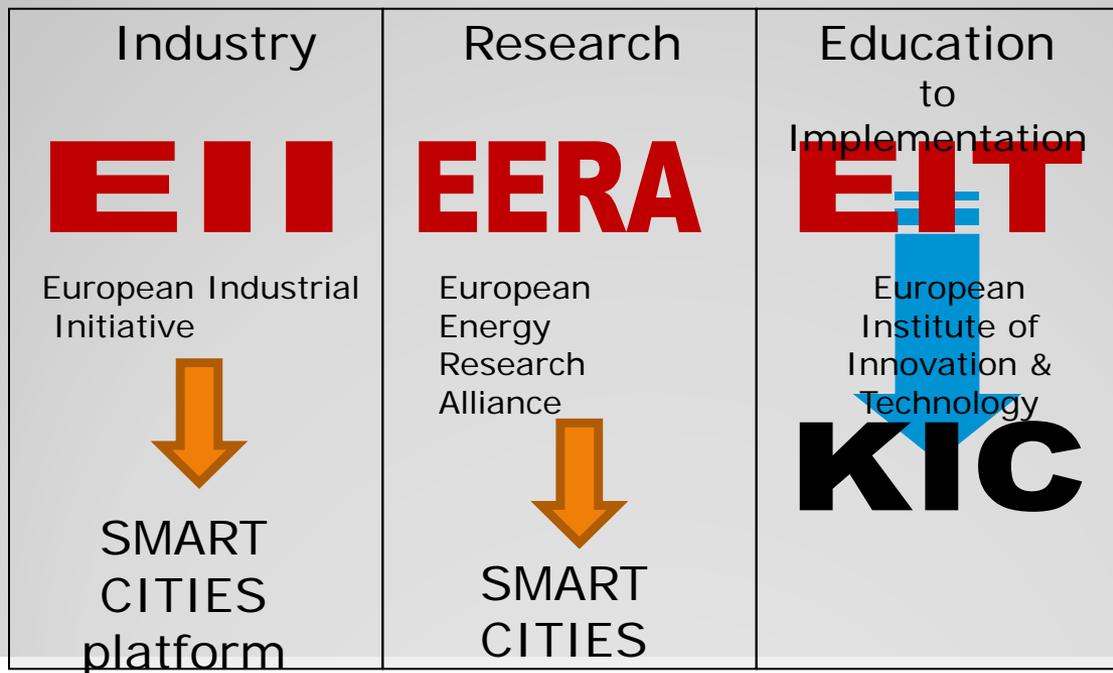
# Key elements of a smart energy city



- Energy innovation pole as urban transition labs/living innovation labs with highly visible pilot projects
- Pilot projects as integrated part of a coherent transition plan
- Towards CO<sub>2</sub> neutrality with trias energetica
- Energy systems linking different functions: mobility, living, distribution and public spaces
- Energy systems linking several energy sources: heat, electricity, cold,...
- Energy systems balancing demand and supply of energy with energy storage on different system levels (central and local)
- Maximum integration of distributed renewable energy sources
- Strong focus on end-user participation and acceptance

# In the focus of the EU Energy innovation plan

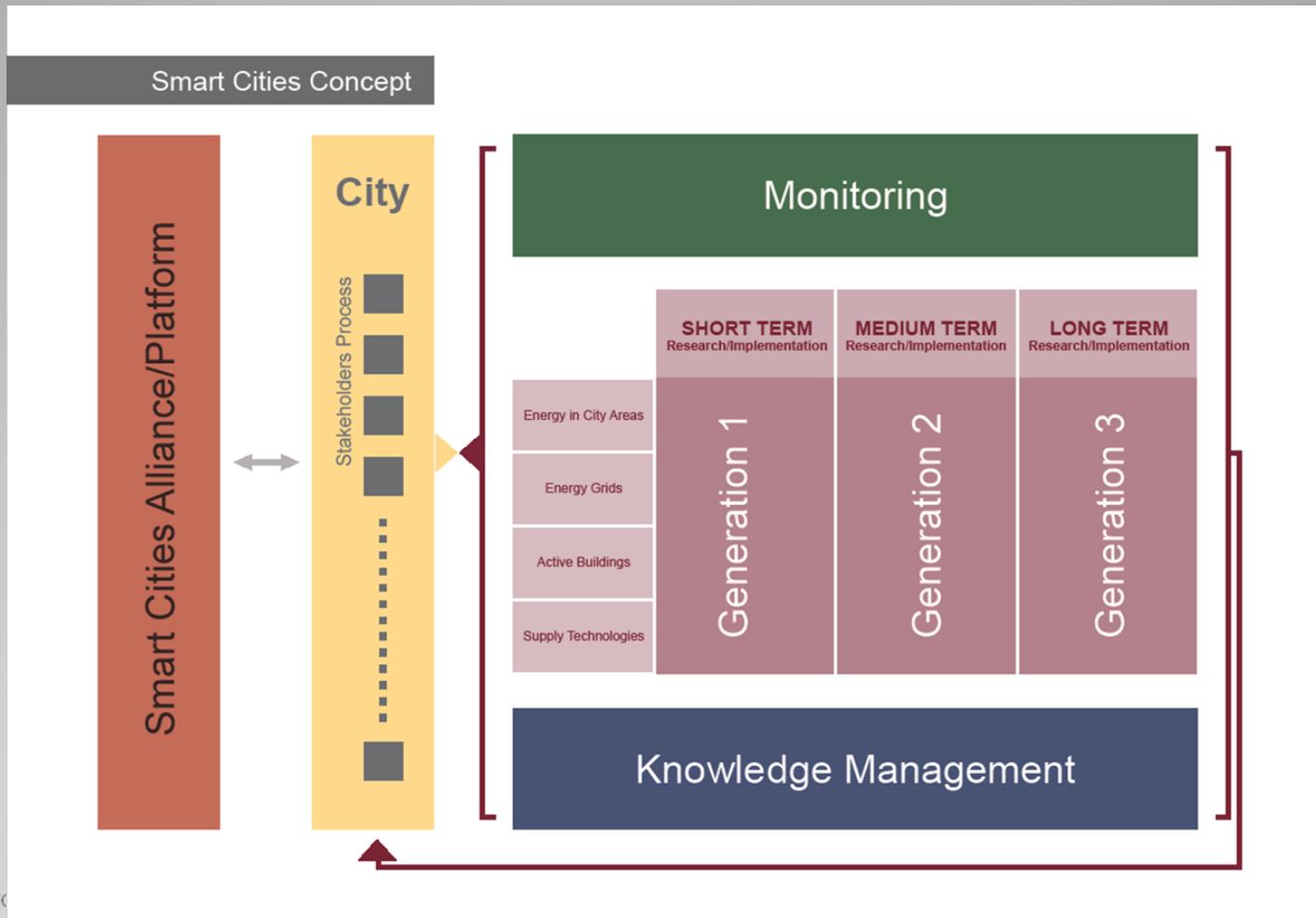
## SET-plan



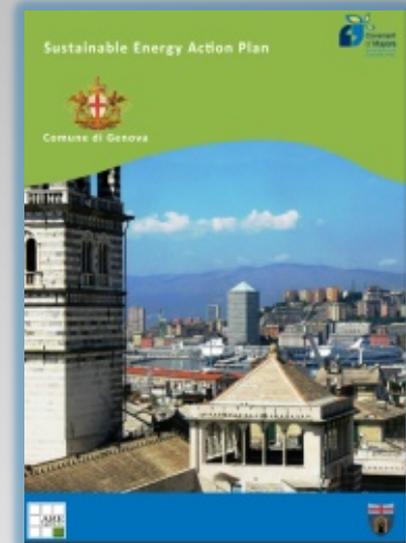
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→ Co-location  
intelligent and  
efficient cities

# Industrial Initiative Concept



Source



# The covenant of Mayors Political approach