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Scaling Up PCEDs: business cases and investment trends

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Scaling Up PCEs: business cases and investment trends

Investment Trends and Gaps

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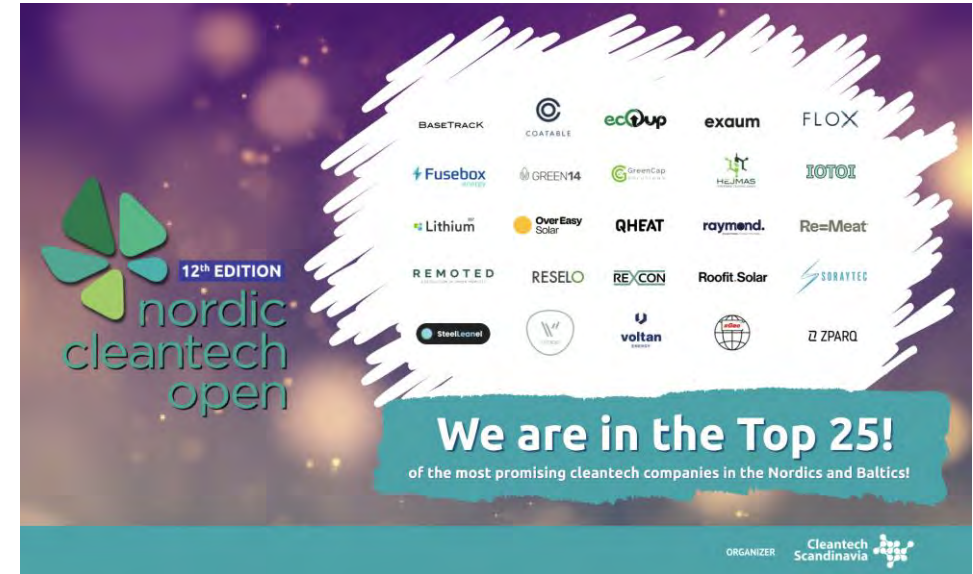
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Startup Competition



Smart, Climate Neutral Cities



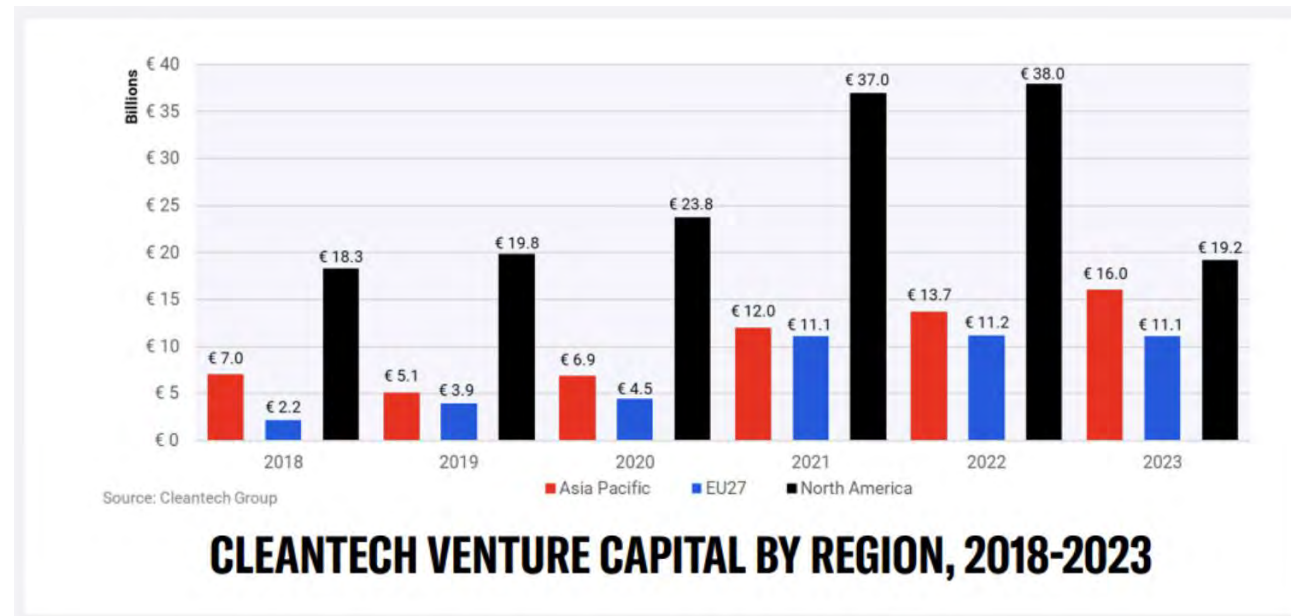
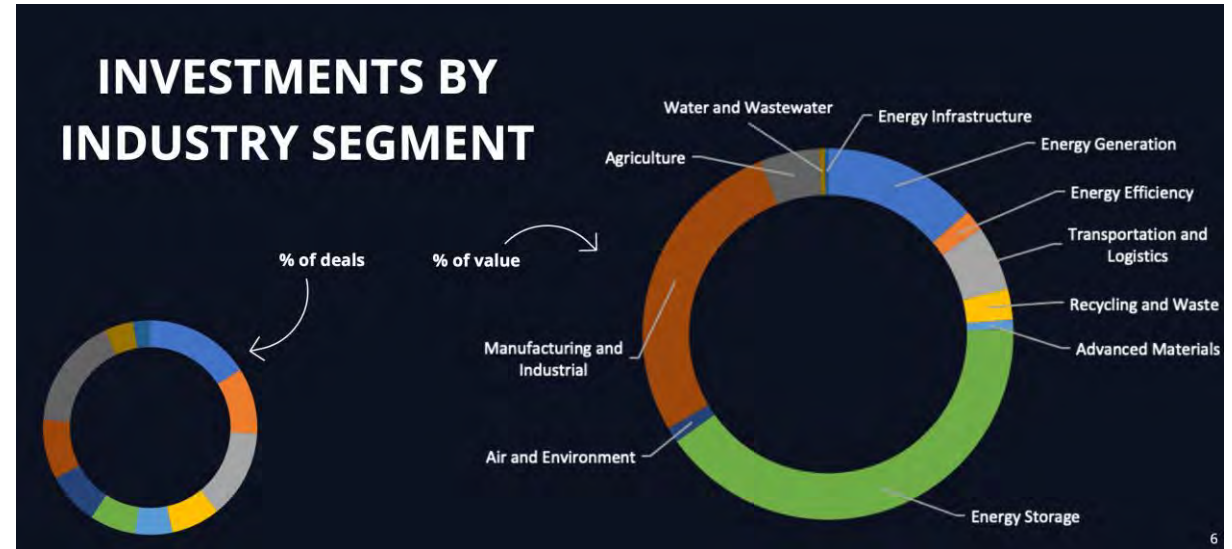
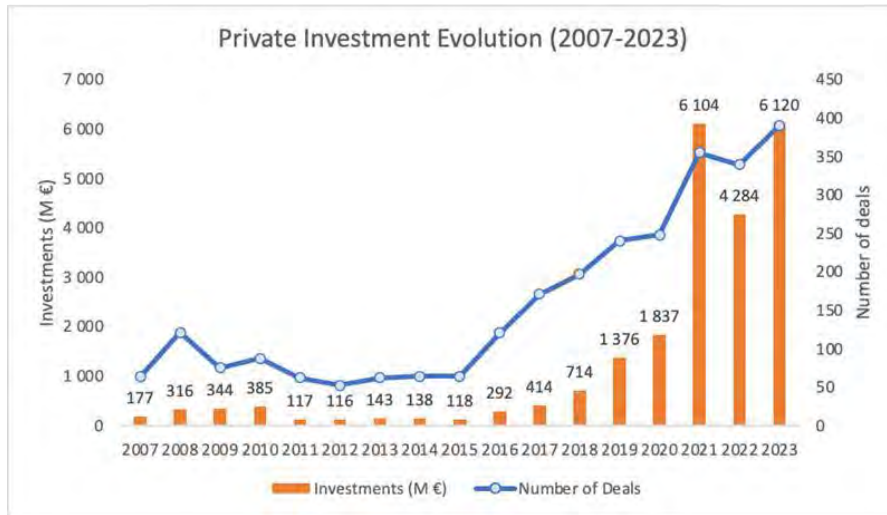
Investment Accelerator



Engaging with Policy Makers



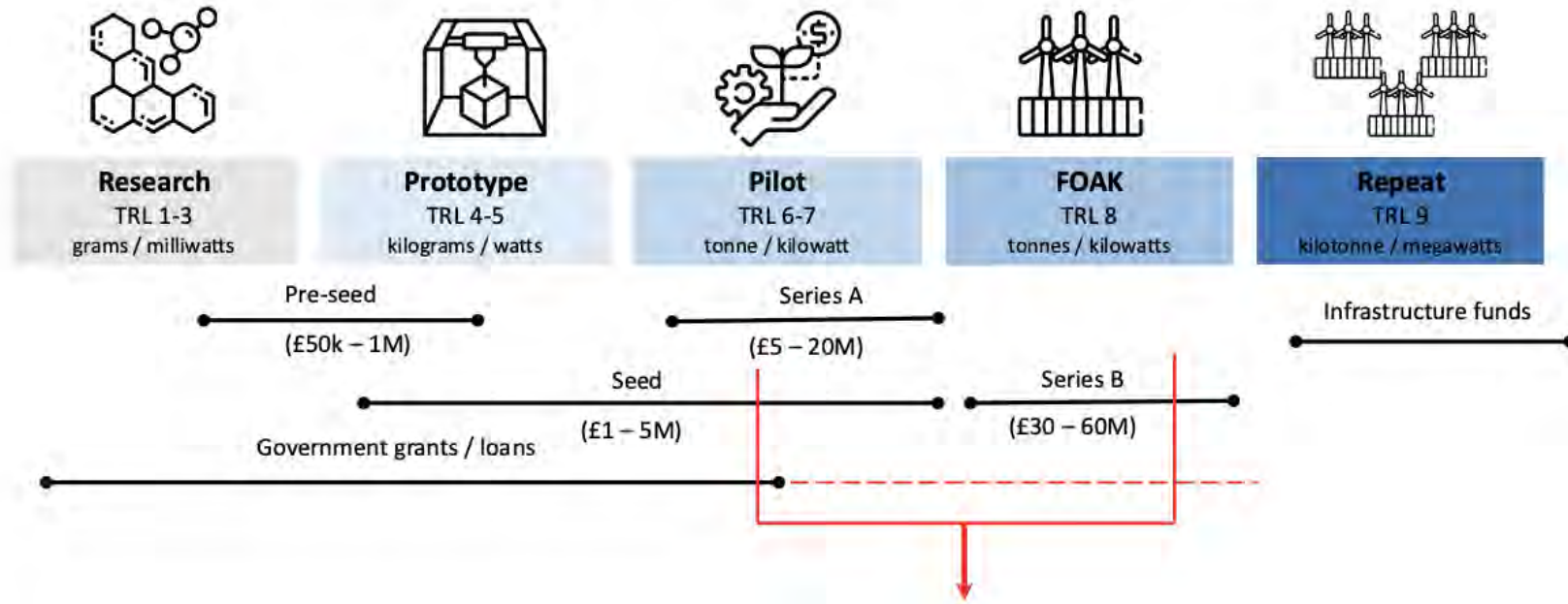
Investments in Nordic Cleantech Startups and Scaleups



€ 50 + billion Investment Gap

- **Mobilize Capital from Institutional Investors**
- **Deploy public guarantees to de-risk cleantech investments**
- **Fit-for-purpose scale up financing**
- **Converging Investment Landscape**

Cleantech Readiness Scaling Steps



Fit for purpose financing



Equity



Debt



Grants



Guarantees

Offtake agreements
and other income
insurance measures





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Emerging Trends in Real Estate

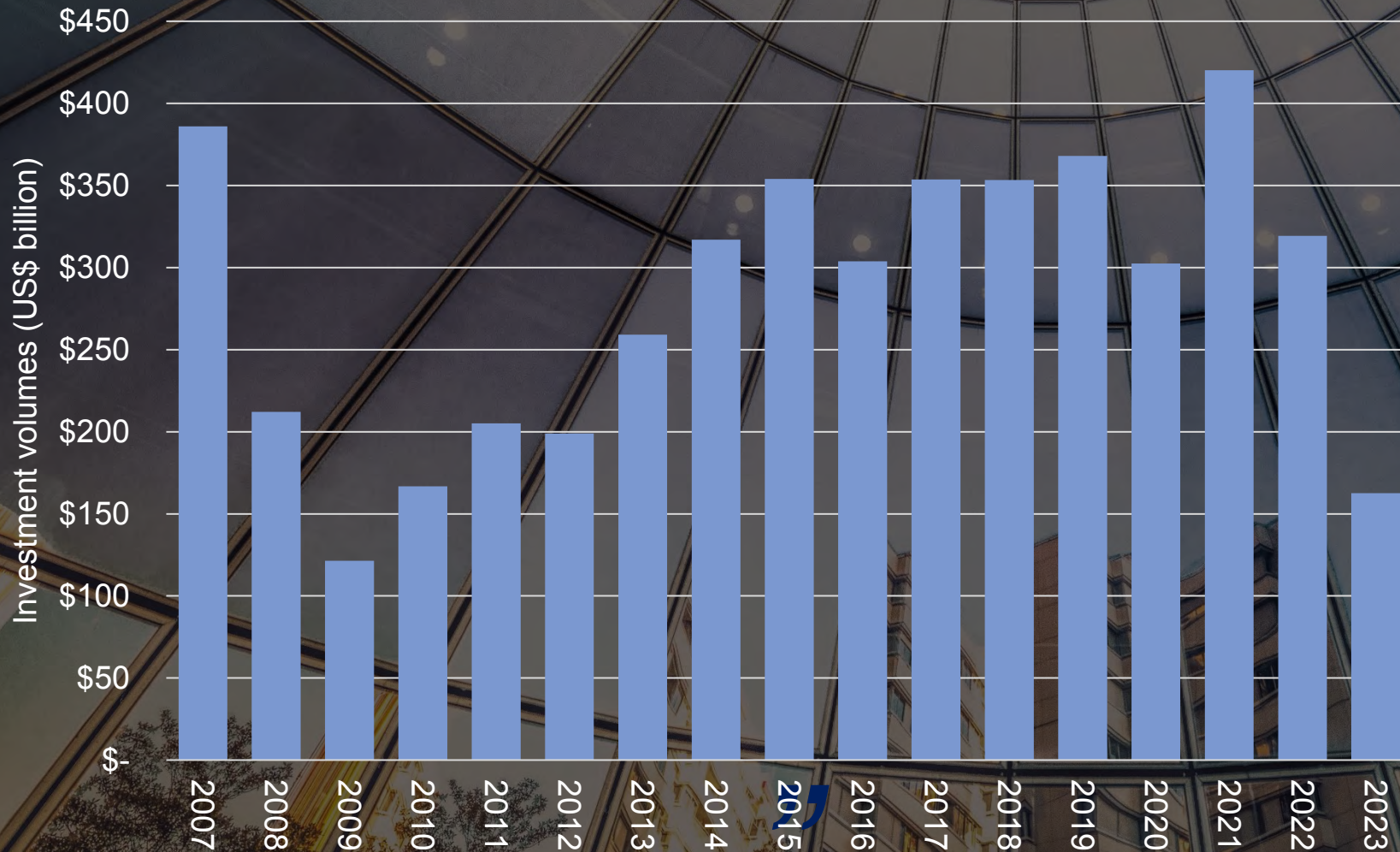
#ETRE24

- Joint publication by  Urban Land Institute 
- Published annually since 2004
- Reflects the views of thousands in the real estate and land use industry
- In-depth workshops, roundtables and interviews
- Key indicator of sentiment in real estate investment and development trends

Historically low levels of investment activity

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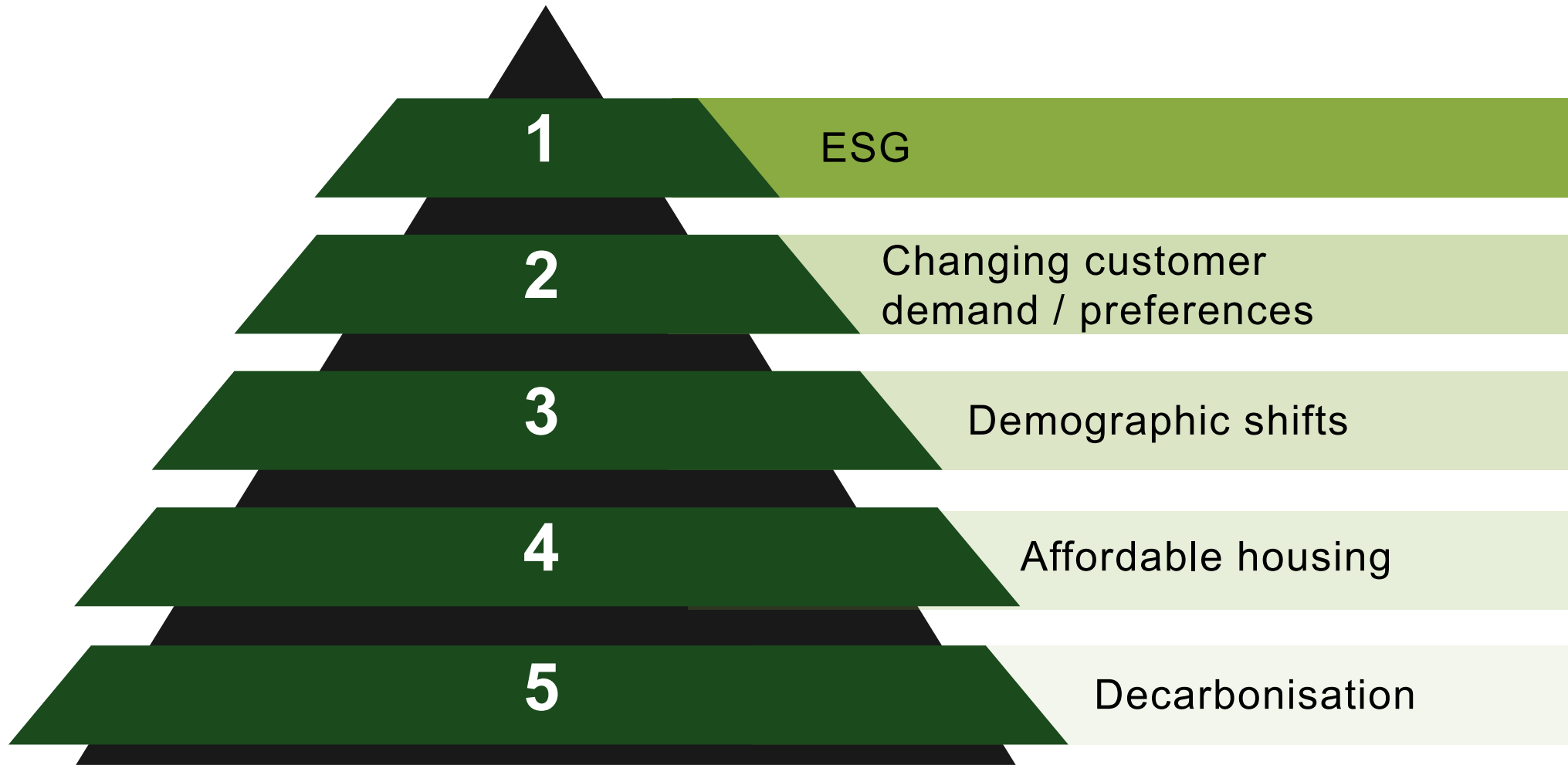
EMEA real estate investment volumes



“
If investors have a choice to sit on their hands, they’re doing it
”

Top themes driving real estate investment decisions/strategic planning

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Top 5 themes which will drive real estate investment decisions and strategic planning

Some stats on ESG investment

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90%

Running an environmentally and socially sustainable business is the most important factor for a successful organisational transformation within the real estate industry by 2050

37%

Would forgo financial return in exchange for having greater social or environmental impact

76%

Current valuations do not properly reflect all challenges and opportunities impacting real estate

79%

ESG credentials will have a material effect on property valuations in the next 12-18 months

City Rankings 2024: Investment and Development Prospects

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1. London	—	6. Milan	▲
2. Paris	—	7. Munich	▼
3. Madrid	▲	8. Lisbon	▲
4. Berlin	▼	9. Frankfurt	▼
5. Amsterdam	▲	10. Barcelona	▼

▲ Went up ▼ Went down — No Change



Megatrends drive sector prospects

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Sector Rankings 2024: Investment and Development Prospects

- | | |
|---|--|
| 1. New energy infrastructure  | 6. Self storage facilities  |
| 2. Data centres  | 7. Logistics facilities  |
| 3. Healthcare  | 8. Co-living  |
| 4. Student housing  | 9. Serviced apartments  |
| 5. Retirement/assisted living  | 10. Private rented residential  |

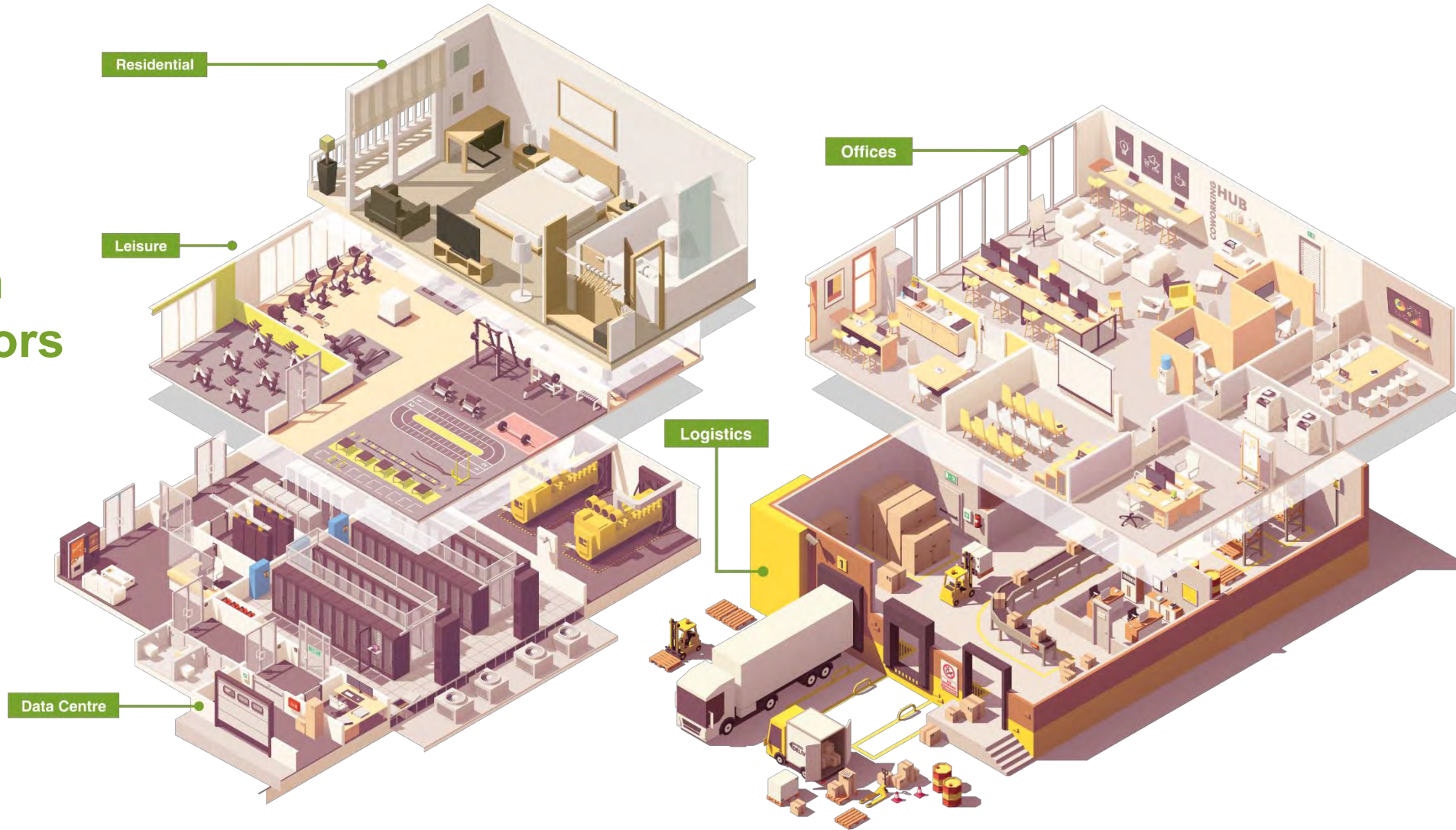
“ The industry is developing a more sophisticated understanding of what drives rental income and value in real estate occupation. ”

“ The people who make money over the next decade will be the people who solve the problems of society. ”

Mixed-use on the increase

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8 in 10
expect co-location
of real estate sectors
to increase



“

More office buildings will incorporate different alternative uses including life sciences, data centres and serviced-apartments

”



**C is for come on
board and join
the movement.**

Workshop two: February 2024

Leveraging ULI's advisory services panel approach

- Workshop one set the groundwork for a five -day panel in Berlin in February 2024
- Panel will examine two areas in Berlin to focus on transformative city -scale solutions
 - One area relates to the transformation of social and affordable housing and the importance of applying solutions at scale
 - Second area is focused on a city centre edge where decarbonisation is part of a bigger urban transformation challenge related to new ways of working and shopping
- Recruitment drive to find 8 -10 panellists to bring diverse skillset together: public/private financing, Large-scale regeneration, housing (social and affordable), public and private infrastructure including energy and transport, system -led innovation



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Part 2: Smart City Business Model and Financing State of the Art

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„Mind the Piloting Trap“ Assessment Smart City Business Models

Ascend Conference, Munich

7 March 2024

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Municipal use case VS. business case?





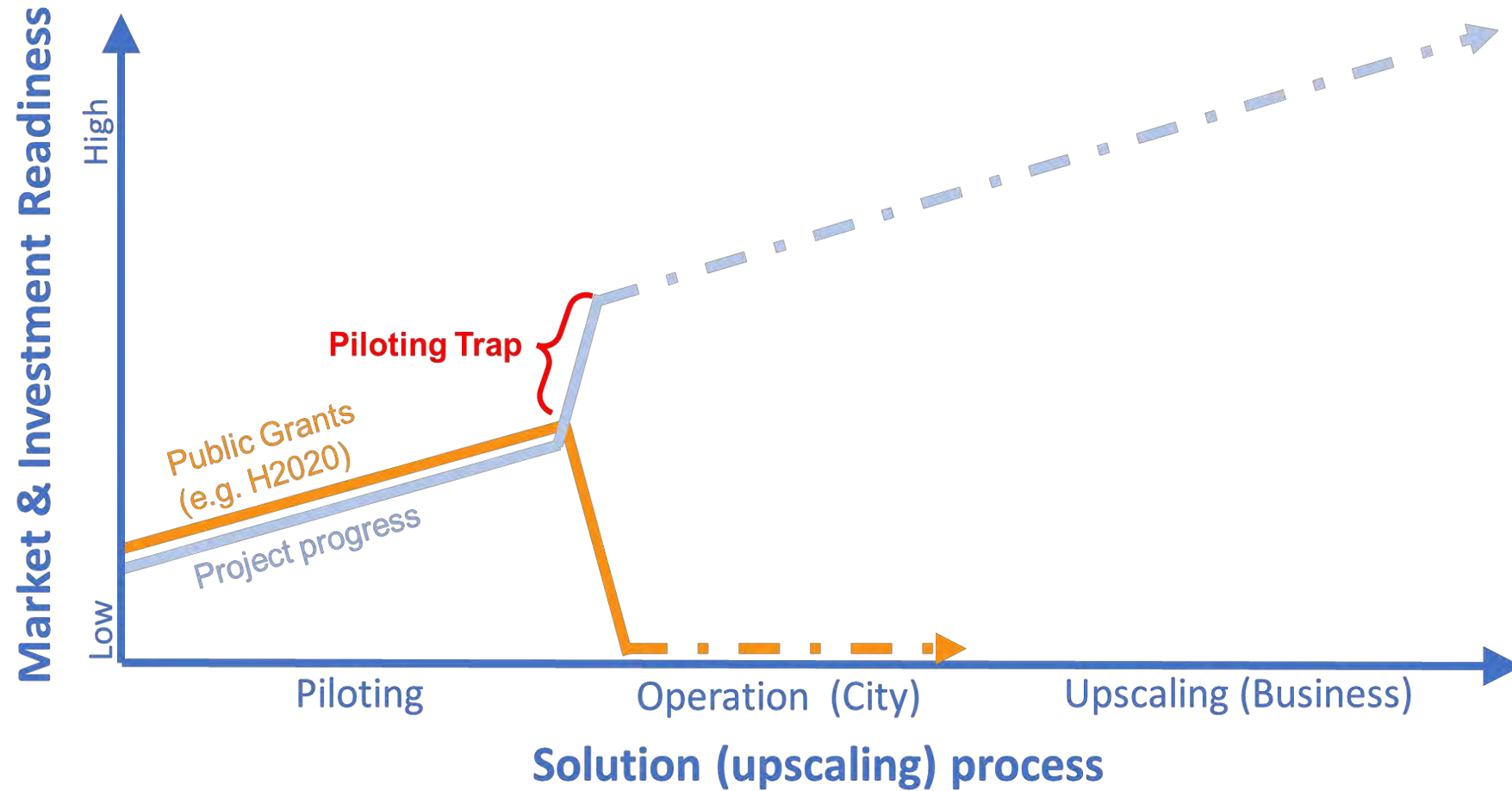
Findings: State of the European Smart Cities Business Cases

- ❌ Cities have **little focus on business models & profits** but **operation** (financing) & **value creation**
- 👉 **Understanding value chains & role of cities /regulators**
- ❌ PED eco-system made of **various solutions, partnerships & collaborations**, success depends on **interoperability**
- 👉 **Service Models & integrating technologies/mgt. Systems**
- ❌ Cases **create impact** for cities & **risk reduction** for business
- 👉 **Accelerate up-scaling: Cities to set the framework and moderate/intermediate local innovation eco-system**





Mind the piloting Trap ...



**“A positive energy district is not a product that you can buy...“
...it is a process that needs to be build.”**

Dirk Ahlers, Coordinator +cityxchange

Who services, facilitates and upscales them?

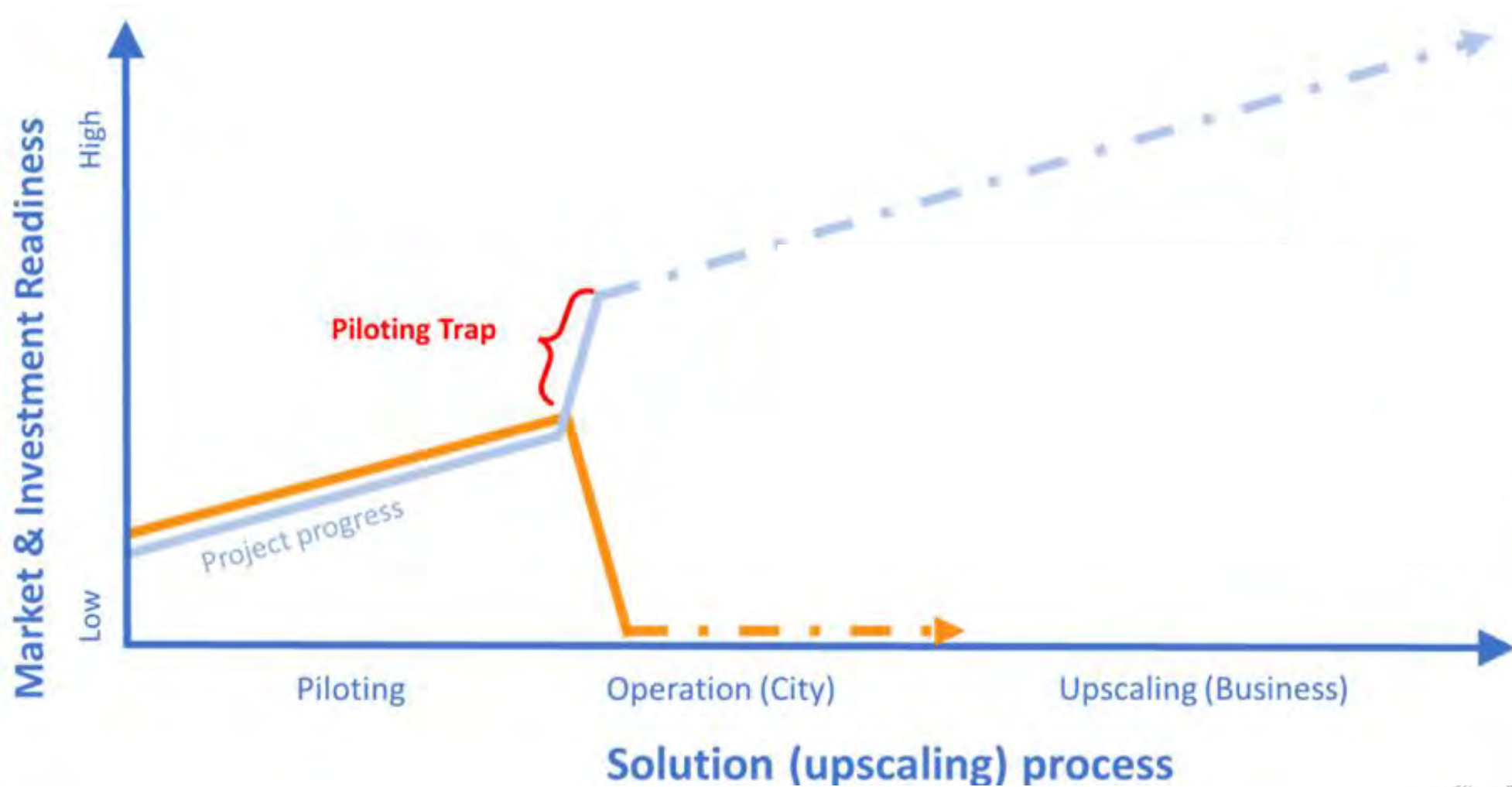


Mastering the Piloting trap ... towards upscaling





Mastering the Piloting trap ... towards upscaling



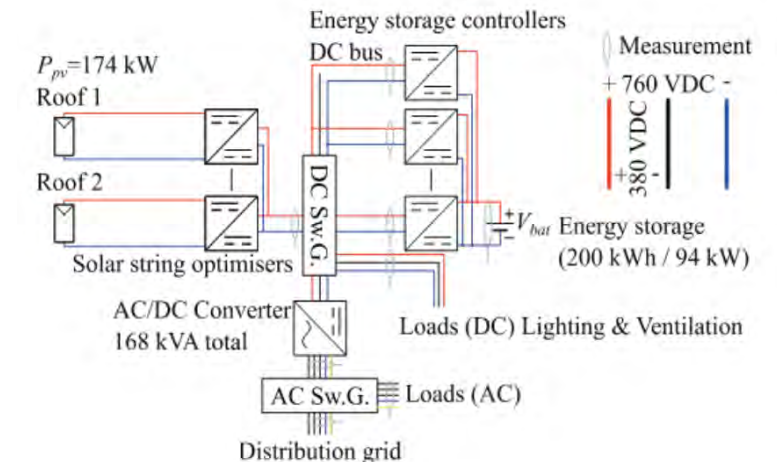
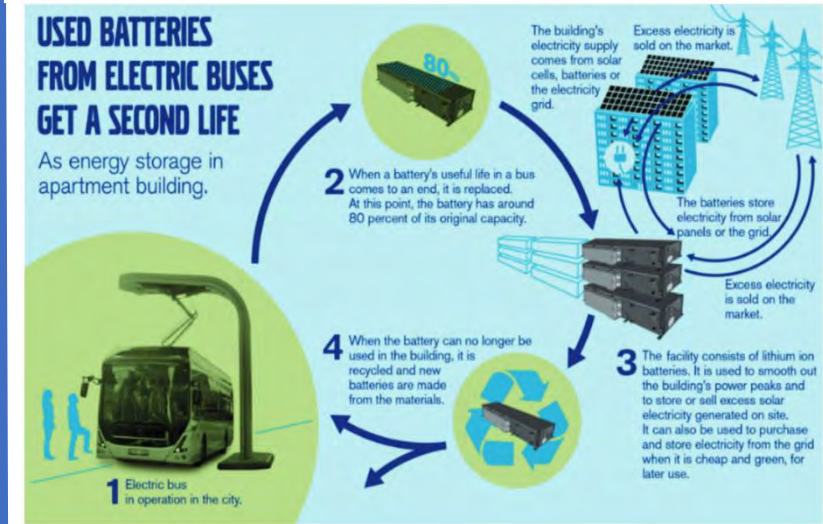


Upscaling? Making a (business) case...



Case 1: 2nd Life Battery Storage Gothenburg for locally produces PV electricity

<p>Case</p>	<p>Store electricity from local PV and recycle and reuse Bus batteries from heavy-duty vehicles (buses), save resources, circular economy</p>
<p>Roles & Operation</p>	<p>lease batteries to energy cooperations/energy service providers integration in grid for load balancing by local utility.</p>
<p>Value</p>	<p>peak shaving, district/urban micro grids- scalable solution from building to district level, virtual grid Ease batteries to real estate owners,</p>
<p>Lessons Learnt</p>	<p>“Private sector initiatives speed up market proof and drive innovations in value chain.” “Transforming cities into de-regulated innovation spaces” <i>Gothenburg (Sweden)</i></p>



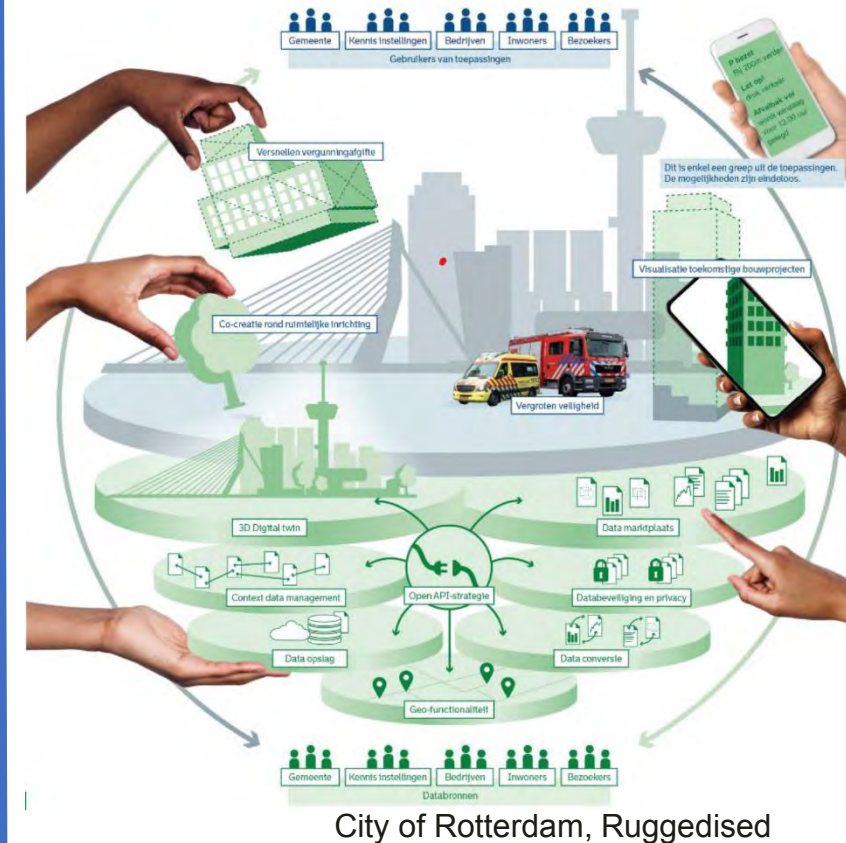
What Role do Cities take...?





Case 2: Open Urban Platform Rotterdam - and the role of the city administration

<p>Case</p>	<p>Public data platform and digital twin serves as portal and marketplace for urban data services and applications from trusted providers.</p>
<p>Roles & Operation</p>	<p>Infrastructure and operation by corporate partner, with the city governing data frameworks and enforcement. Independent from specific software</p>
<p>Value</p>	<p>Open data platform with pay-per-use models for revenue.</p>
<p>Lessons Learnt</p>	<p>“Innovation requires both technological and organizational changes.”</p> <p>“Government & Cities trusted regarding data and governance/ethics but not trusted to build reliable data infrastructure”</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><i>Rotterdam (Netherlands)</i></p>





Action...

👉 Foster Market Readiness by Establishing Organizational and Financial Vehicles and innovative Procurement Processes

👉 Establish cross-platform & cross-program advisory boards and more efficient formats

53 of the 120 “Climate Neutral and Smart Cities” are SCC Lighthouse cities and about 80 Smart Cities are under development in Germany“





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State of the European Smart Cities

Mind the Trap: From Pilot Projects to Upscaling

Experts & Report



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Case	Short Description	Project & City
1	Smart energy management and infrastructure (heat)	SPARCS 2020-2025 Leipzig, DE Partner: CENERO Energy GmbH
2	Financial Risk Sharing Model	+CityxChange 2018-2023 Trondheim, NOR Partner: Officinae Verdi Spa
3	V2G EV charging network	IRIS 2017-2023 Utrecht, NL Partner: LombXnet
4	Smart infrastructure, energy management and local trading platform	Atelier 2019-2024 Amsterdam, NL Partner: Banlieu BV
5	E-Bus Charging System full Service Model	SPARCS 2020-2025 Espoo, FIN Partner: Plugit Finland Oy
6	PED Energy Management tool box and AI based optimization	RESPONSE 2020-2025 Dijon, FRA Partner: EDF France
7	Heat as a service model including storage in buildings	RESPONSE 2020-2025 Turku, FIN Partner: Turku Student Village Foundation
8	Open Urban data platform and service marketplace	Ruggedised 2016- 2022 Rotterdam, NL Partner: FutureInsight
9	Urban Digital Innovation Executive Leadership Programme	Ruggedised 2016- 2022 Rotterdam, NL Partner: Erasmus University Rotterdam
10	2nd Life Battery Storage	IRIS 2017-2023 Gothenburg, SWE Partner: Volvo Buses

2	+CityxChange 2018-2023	Classification:	Status: completed
Financial Risk Sharing Model	Trondheim, NOR (Lighthouse City) Lead Partner: Officinae Verdi Spa	Financial Scheme Corporate	Upscaling potential: Medium
<p>Assessment and calculation of potential benefits and/or financial and investment risks for retrofits and local renewable generation for Positive Energy Districts, distributed among a cluster of stakeholders reaching a common goal, guidance on how to avoid potential investment losses and reduce financial exposure to risks. The analysis of risks and potential revenues is put in relation each stakeholder with local market assets and flexibility and measures the financial value of each asset of the project. The sharing of the risk-benefit constructs involved in such projects can attract investors and stakeholders because the individual risk is shared by a larger number of institutions.</p>			
Development, Innovation and Operation	Business-/service model & Value Creation	Lessons learned	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Impact measuring by quantitative assessment of indicators The Financial Risk is an indicator that measures how each player/investor, in terms of percentage, risks to lose money on its own business or investment decision. The total value is a product of summing up and integrating all assets and interventions in a single economic, financial, environmental, and social assessment process, based on indicators suitable to measure the investment against its global direct and indirect impacts. Applicable for all PED related infrastructure investments (including ICT systems) The City of Trondheim leads and coordinates all the PEB implementation phases involving all the stakeholders and asset owners participating in the process. Each stakeholder can share and operate within this tool. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Auxiliary service - consultancy, financial service, cost centre Link the investment to the ESG effects in a relationship model; investment is seen as "seed money" and a precondition for the ESG impacts achievement. This approach allows to capture total value both across linear PEB development (ie. from implementation to impact generation) and across themes (economic-financial aspects + ESG). Method and its results has been applied to various business cases and energy investments within the PEBs PEB should be considered a common area of business (Strategic Business Unit - SBU). For this reason, each of the parties involved in the (Trondheim) PEBs should avoid evaluating it independently. <p>Gold upscaling/replication potential for service</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Broader understanding and more transparent approach to costs and risks involved between the different participants in a <u>project</u> Rationale: sharing of financial risks reduces the potential total loss for everyone; especially important in the energy sector, where (market) risks are increasingly hard to foresee and benefits might take a certain time to unfold. 	

6	RESPONSE 2020-2025	Classification:	Status: ongoing
PED Energy Management toolbox and AI based optimization	Dijon, FRA (Lighthouse City) Lead Partner: EDF France	Energy Management Corporate	Upscaling potential: medium
<p>The energy managing solution (covering electricity and district heating, DH) aims to drive the fuel switch towards RES and reduce energy demand through local energy production, energy storage and smart thermostats (developed by a start-up) combined with energy management. An AI based demand prediction seeks to optimize the system. Additionally, energy communities shall help to increase the self-consumption ratio of electricity in the concerned public buildings.</p>			
Development, Innovation and Operation	Business-/service model & Value Creation	Lessons learned	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Thermostats crucial front end: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Reduce energy consumption in the <u>apartments</u> 15% of energy saving targeted Reduce peak demand of district heating network reducing gas <u>consumption</u> Prediction system "Cleverly" at TRL 8-9; APIs developed within <u>Response</u>; <u>Cleverly</u> collects real-time data from sensors but also AI <u>modeling</u> from which further business models will be <u>developed</u> System to contribute to grid flexibility, test peak shaving and optimized operating command to storage equipment for higher self-consumption <u>ratio</u> PV panels on the roofs for energy production, linked to the <u>batteries</u> Storage solutions: multiple technologies The system will be operated by EDF during the <u>project</u> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Also used to pilot wind power <u>plant</u>; operation model Paying customer - B2B: public bodies, housing associations, facility management <u>businesses</u>; User: inhabitant/tenant with installed smart thermostats (costs: ca 800-1000€ per flat) Costs but also income from surplus energy sales will be passed on to building owners/<u>inhabitants</u> "<u>Installer</u>" <u>buys</u> the solution, e.g. building owner Retail business: panels, tools for energy communities, toolbox for building owners Project address energy poverty in buildings operated by <u>Dijon Social Housing Company</u> <p>Possible additional case: storage as a service</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Building flexibility is the next "elephant" in the <u>room</u> Importance of resident onboarding, acceptance of generalized use, nudges (e.g. adopting the „out of home <u>switch</u>“, prudent data sovereignty concept ECs Huge market, lot of demand for energy flexibility, stability for 20 years demanded; turning passive users to active <u>prosumers</u> Embrace innovation more-cooperation with start-ups, research 	

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Part 3: Where we stand: State of the Art
feedback

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Objectives of the State-of-the-Art Assessment

- **Common understanding** of the state-of-the-art between internal and external stakeholders (e.g., project partners, representatives of other cities, public sector consultants)
- **State-of-the-Art Assessment** of the 6 SPs, evaluated from **5 standpoints**:
 - 1) Technological
 - 2) Business model
 - 3) Funding mechanisms
 - 4) Procurement procedures, incl. PPPs and SPVs
 - 5) Governance models and policies

→ Risk assessment of digital tools, baseline assessment of SP cost effectiveness, scaling drivers and barriers
- Facilitation of ASCEND's **further development**



Results: Solutions from ASCEND Cities

	Munich	Lyon	Multiplier City
SP1 	Digital Twin	CMS Urban Data Platform	Prague: Urban data platform (Golemio)
SP2 	Photovoltaics Tenant Electricity Project	YDEAL Confluence	Porto: Asprela + Sustentável
SP3 	Refurbishment with prefabricated elements	Super-efficient buildings	Budapest: Heat exchanger with potable water
SP4 	Mobility Points	Micro hub	Alba Iulia: Car charging infrastructure
SP5 	Climate Council	Building Operating System (BOS)	Stockholm: Scaling Smart City Solutions
SP6 	Integrated district approach	SPL Lyon Confluence	Charleroi: Igretec



State-of-the-Art Example: Budapest Waterworks (SP3)



- **Publicly-owned** water utility service provider (SPV)
- **Innovative technology** aimed at harnessing the excess heat capacity of potable water
- Integration of heat exchanger for drinking water into **standard** heat pumps
- Provides **sustainable heating technology**, which coupled with solar panels, can potentially reach **zero emission**
- **Highly replicable** to other locations, subject to local availability of the heat source and the necessary water pipe dimension/minimum flow rate close to the target building

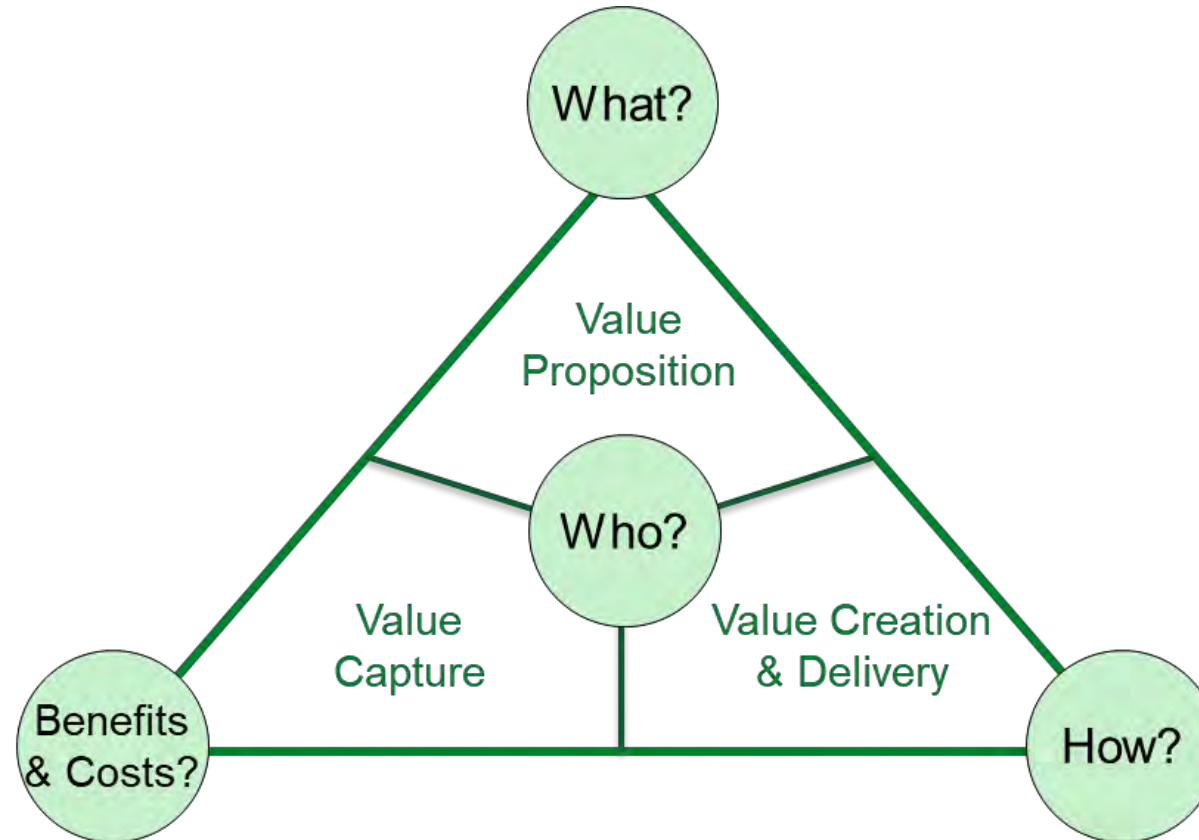


State-of-the-Art Example: Golemio Urban Data Platform, Prague (SP1)

- **City-owned** company (SPV) focused on smart city solutions
- Setup as an independent company enables **high-quality IT talent acquisition** and an **innovation-oriented business logic** at the service of public interest
- **Open-source data platform**, which also provides business intelligence (BI), and customized web applications for municipal departments and citizens
- **Scalable by design**. The source codes are available to be adopted by other potentially interested stakeholders



Outlook



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Part 4: Discussion between the Advisory Board, speakers and the attendance

Moderation: TWE, BLS



Thank you!

