

Urban agendas feature in the latest issue of European Public Mosaic

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The Public Administration School of Catalonia (EAPC) has just published the 15th issue of *European Public Mosaic (EPM): Open Journal on Public Service*, dedicated to urban agendas within the framework of the United Nations' 2030 Agenda. The monograph analyses territorial planning tools deployed around the world, particularly in the wake of the UN-Habitat New Urban Agenda approved in Quito in 2016 and the European Urban Agenda, included in the Pact of Amsterdam from the same year.

The issue has benefited from the collaboration of the Department of the Vice Presidency and Digital Policies and Territory, through the Directorate-General of Spatial and Urban Planning and the Directorate-General for Digital Nation and Urban Agenda. It includes five informative articles written by experts from Catalonia, Spain, the Netherlands, Hungary and Brussels, and provides the usual closing sections with best practices, new trends and news flashes.

This new issue contains an in-depth interview with Mark Nieuwenhuijsen, director of the Urban Planning, Environment and Health Initiative and the Air Pollution and Urban Environment programme at the Barcelona Institute for Global Health (ISGlobal). According to the renowned environmental epidemiologist, greater emphasis should be placed on measures aimed at naturalising cities and on promoting alternative means of transport to cars, as this would benefit the health of inhabitants and contribute to improving their quality of life.

As for the articles, among the contributors are Maria Galindo, the Government of Catalonia's Director-General for Digital Nation and Urban Agenda, with *The Urban Agenda for Catalonia: digitalization to approach a sustainable and socially equitable future*; Normunds Popens, the European Commission's Deputy Director-General for Regional and Urban Policy, with *How is the Urban Agenda for the EU contributing to sustainable urban development and territorial cohesion?*; Carmen Sánchez-Miranda, the director of UN-Habitat in Spain, with *Urban agendas as accelerators*

of sustainable development; Ivan Tosics, a professor at the Metropolitan Research Institute of Budapest, with *Urban agendas in the European context*; and Bas Pedroli, a professor of territorial planning at Wageningen University (Netherlands), with *Landscape in the round - towards a circular rural-urban agenda*.

The final selection of best practices includes portals linked to the United Nations such as the *New Urban Agenda Platform* and the *City Resilience Profiling Programme* based in Barcelona, and European initiatives such as the Covenant of Mayors for Climate and Energy and the European Green Capital Award, among others. New trends include the fight against air pollution, climate budgets, rural agendas, the role of regions and metropolitan areas in supra-municipal planning, 15-minute cities and car-free cities.

Changes to the Editorial Board

Coinciding with the 15th issue, EPuM is embarking on a new phase with Ismael Peña-López, director of the Public Administration School of Catalonia (EAPC), as the journal's new editor, as well as an Editorial Board of new and veteran experts from various academic, professional and civil society fields. As Peña-López explains in the latest issue's editorial, "EPuM wishes to be an opportunity to stop and reflect, to learn, to learn how to learn, to unlearn sometimes, and to share". He adds, "With the new phase that we have started in the journal, we wish to contribute to this goal of Public Administration transformation by providing knowledge, models, good practices, references, new trends, and other contents that are inspiring, innovative, and pioneering".

EPuM is a digital journal that has been published entirely in English by the EAPC since 2017, with the goal of promoting global debate on public management. The publication, which is freely available and informative in nature, is aimed particularly at those working in the public sector, as well as public executives. Subscriptions can be made using the link on the right side. See previous issues dedicated to citizen participation , digital transformation , talent management , evaluation of public policies , public budget tendencies , training and learning , open data , artificial intelligence , institutional integrity , research and public policy , data protection , citizen-oriented public services , pandemic, gender and violence , and teleworking .

With articles from UN-Habitat, the European Commission and the Government of Catalonia, and an interview with the ISGlobal environmental epidemiologist Mark Nieuwenhuijsen

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