

# TIME to take a TIME out... for INSPIRATION

to organise a European multi-stakeholders governance pattern and to start local IMAGINE processes

**22-25 November 2010**



## Monday 22.11.2010 – Welcome Venue

17:00 – 19:00 Welcome cocktail  
19:00 – 21:00 Dinner

Networking

## Tuesday 23.11.2010 – Multi-stakeholders session

09:00 – 10:30 **5 years of IMAGINE**  
Its origins and aspirations? Where does it come from, and where does it go?  
What are the first fruits in a changing context?  
The importance of a multi-stakeholder approach towards a new governance  
*Stéphane Dupas, Energy Cities*  
Followed by a roundtable discussion with participants

Dialogue  
Collaboration

10:30 – 11:00 Coffee break

Networking

11:00 – 12:30 **Sustainable cities and Energy: a metabolic approach**  
Conviviality, diversity, culture, economics and environment as key elements of urban sustainability.  
*Herbert Girardet \**  
Followed by a discussion with the participants

Common  
references

12:30 – 14:00 Lunch

Networking

14:00 – 15:30 **The Low-energy cities with a high quality of life for all**  
A vision and an image. What changes do low-energy cities imply at local level?  
Which new governance modes are needed? Do Low-energy cities have a European dimension?  
*Gérard Magnin, Energy Cities*  
Followed by a panel discussion and a roundtable dialogue

Dialogue  
Collaboration

15:30 – 16:00 Coffee break

Networking

16:00 – 18:00 **The importance of multi-level governance and the role of local and European stakeholders**  
Joining forces between an Alliance for Local Energy - IMAGINE, Local authorities and diverse decision-making levels. How to consolidate the partnership?  
Participative workshop facilitated by Energy Cities' staff

Dialogue  
Collaboration

19:00 Shuttle service to Mouchard (TGV train to Paris at 19:36)

19:00 – 21:00 Dinner

Networking

Evening Film projection

Recreation

### Wednesday 24.11.2010 – Focus on local authorities' actions

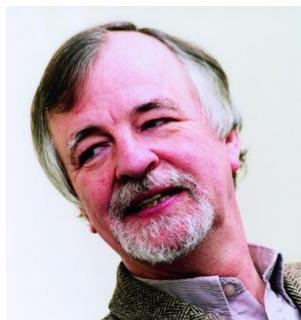
09:00 – 10:30	<b>Local authorities: Visioning processes and governance</b> Examples of local visioning processes <i>Stephane Dupas, Energy Cities</i> Panel Discussion: What's going on in Energy Cities Member Cities? Moderator: <i>René Schellekens, Agentur NL</i>  Followed by a discussion with the participants	Inspiration
10:30 – 11:00	Coffee break	Networking
11:00 – 12:30	<b>Transition towns towards low-energy cities</b> Bottom-up processes and network settings as key issues for low-energy cities <i>Rob Hopkins * [via videoconference]</i>  Followed by a discussion with the participants	Inspiration
12:30 – 14:00	Lunch	Networking
14:00 – 15:30	<b>Multi-stakeholder dialogue around Energy and Territory issues to co-construct a local vision</b> First steps actions at local authorities level. <i>Janice Thomson, Involve</i> Introductory training	Dialogue Collaboration
15:30 – 16:00	Coffee break	Networking
16:00 – 17:30	<b>IMAGINE as a tool for local dialogue (intern and extern)</b> Under which conditions is a local IMAGINE process relevant for local authorities? What does it look like? How can it help? Who is involved? <i>Janice Thomson, Involve</i>  Participative debate among the participants	Getting started
18:00 – 19:00	Visit of the Royal Saltworks	Inspiration
19:00 – 21:00	Dinner	Networking
Evening		Recreation

### Thursday 25.11.2010 – Focus on local authorities' action

08:45 – 12:00	<b>Multi-stakeholders dialogue training</b> Browse a 'participatory approach toolbox'. Where to start? How to start? <i>Deborah Maarek, Awareness Consulting</i>  Open space forum	Getting started
08:45 – 12:00	'Integrated' coffee break	Networking
12:00 – 12:30	<b>Local IMAGINE Agenda for 2011</b> Exploring the construction of a local IMAGINE action plan <i>Energy Cities</i>  Plenary session	Co- construction
12:30 – 13:30	Farewell address and lunch buffet	Networking
from 13:00	<i>Shuttle services to diverse destinations</i>	

## Guest speakers

### HERBERT GIRARDET



Herbert Girardet was born in Germany. He went to the UK as a student in 1963 and decided to make his home there. Herbert Girardet is a social anthropologist and cultural ecologist and now works as a writer, consultant and filmmaker. His main focus in recent years has been the sustainable development of cities and contemporary lifestyles. As consultant, his clients include UN Habitat, the Greater London Authority, the London Development Agency and the Corporation of London and the cities of Adelaide and Vienna. He is the Director of Programmes at the World Future Council and a consultant to Arup on the development of the Chinese eco-city Dongtan.

Most important publications:

- Creating Sustainable Cities – Schumacher Briefing #2, 1999
- Cities, People, Planet: Urban Development and Climate Change, 2008

### DÉBORAH MAAREK



Consultant, coach and co-founder of Awareness Consulting (Brussels), Déborah has been passionate about the challenges of sustainable development for over 10 years and has worked for both large companies and NGOs in China, Switzerland, France and Belgium. Today, she draws on her corporate and personal experiences to guide managers and teams to introduce a culture of sustainability in organizations.

As qualified coach (systemic approach), with training in Sociocracy, Open Space Technology and Non-Violent Communication, Deborah's methods promote the use of Collective Intelligence to encourage people to engage in collaboration processes.

### ROB HOPKINS



Rob Hopkins is the co-founder of Transition Town Totnes and of the Transition Network. He has many years experience in education, teaching permaculture and natural building, and set up the first 2 year full-time permaculture course in the world, at Kinsale Further Education College in Ireland as well as co-ordinating the first eco-village development in Ireland to be granted planning permission.

He is author of 'Woodlands for West Cork!', 'Energy Descent Pathways' and most recently 'The Transition Handbook: from oil dependence to local resilience'. He is the winner of the 2008 Schumacher Award, an Ashoka Fellow, is a Fellow of the Post Carbon Institute, a Trustee of the Soil Association, and was named by the Independent as one of the UK's top 100 environmentalists.

### JANICE THOMSON



Janice Thomson is EU Public Engagement Advisor for Involve and is based in Brussels. Her work focuses on understanding and enhancing public participation at European Union level. She is currently developing projects, educational programmes and communications to expand Involve's activities in this area.

Previously she worked in member engagement for a European NGO network of social service providers and on two EU citizen engagement projects. She has degrees in political science and demography and spent over a decade as a marketing researcher and strategic advertising/brand planner.

### GERARD MAGNIN



Educated in both energy and economics & social sciences, Gérard Magnin is a specialist in local energy management.

He is the Executive Director of Energy-Cities, since 1994, after having been at the origin of this European Network in 1990. Beforehand, he was a teacher in economics and social sciences from 1977 to 1984 and Regional Manager of ADEME (French Agency for the Environment and Energy Management) from 1985 to 1995 in Franche-Comté.

A supporter of social innovation, he strives to integrate the energy and climate issue into the concerns of all of society's stakeholders, especially those of local authorities.

November 22<sup>nd</sup> – 25<sup>th</sup>, 2010

## IMAGINE SEMINAR 2010

**TIME to take a “TIME out”... for INSPIRATION**  
**3 days to look ahead**

**IMAGINE inspiration seminar**



**Objectives** This year’s IMAGINE seminar focuses on one side on the necessary organization of a European multi-stakeholder governance patterns and on the other side on the implementation of local action.

At European level, which form can take a multi-stakeholder partnership? With which bases and which objectives? The IMAGINE memorandum of understanding lays the basis of the IMAGINE philosophy. How can this work feed a European partnership?

At the local level, how to get started? How can one initiate local processes to develop livable low-energy cities? It is intended to discuss the steps to be implemented, the involvement of local stakeholders in these processes and to get inspired by practices already taking place.

**Date & Place** November 22<sup>nd</sup> – 25<sup>th</sup>, 2010  
Royal Saltworks in Arc-et-Senans, France (UNESCO World Heritage)  
<http://salineroyale.com/>

**Invited participants** IMAGINE seminars gather participants representing, around local authorities, different sectors and a diversity of backgrounds and experiences. All have a keen interest in making cities more liveable while tackling energy issues underlying social, economical and territorial cohesion. All participants are committed to partake in the success of the IMAGINE seminar in sharing their creativity, ideas, experience and knowledge.

<b>Registration</b>	Cities and associations :	400 EUR	
	Members of Energy Cities:	200 EUR	
	Private enterprises :	1,500 EUR	<i>[free for Energy Cities partners]</i>
	Public bodies :	750 EUR	<i>[free for Energy Cities partners]</i>

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