



Fostering Transversal Skills through Implementing the UNESCO Global Network of Learning Cities

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on Learning Cities 2017



UNESCO Third International Conference on Learning Cities:



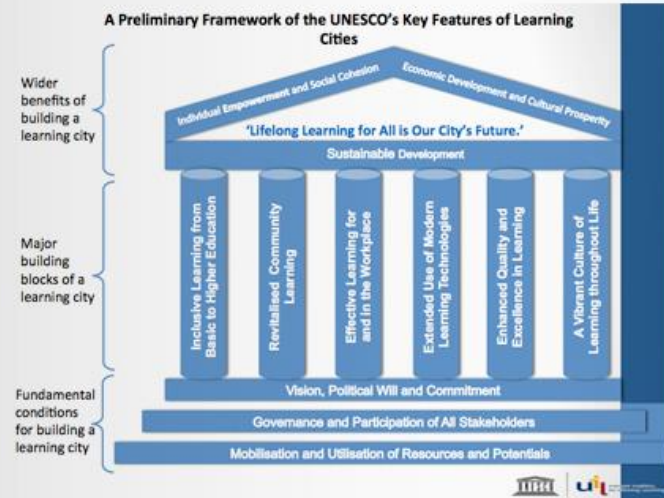
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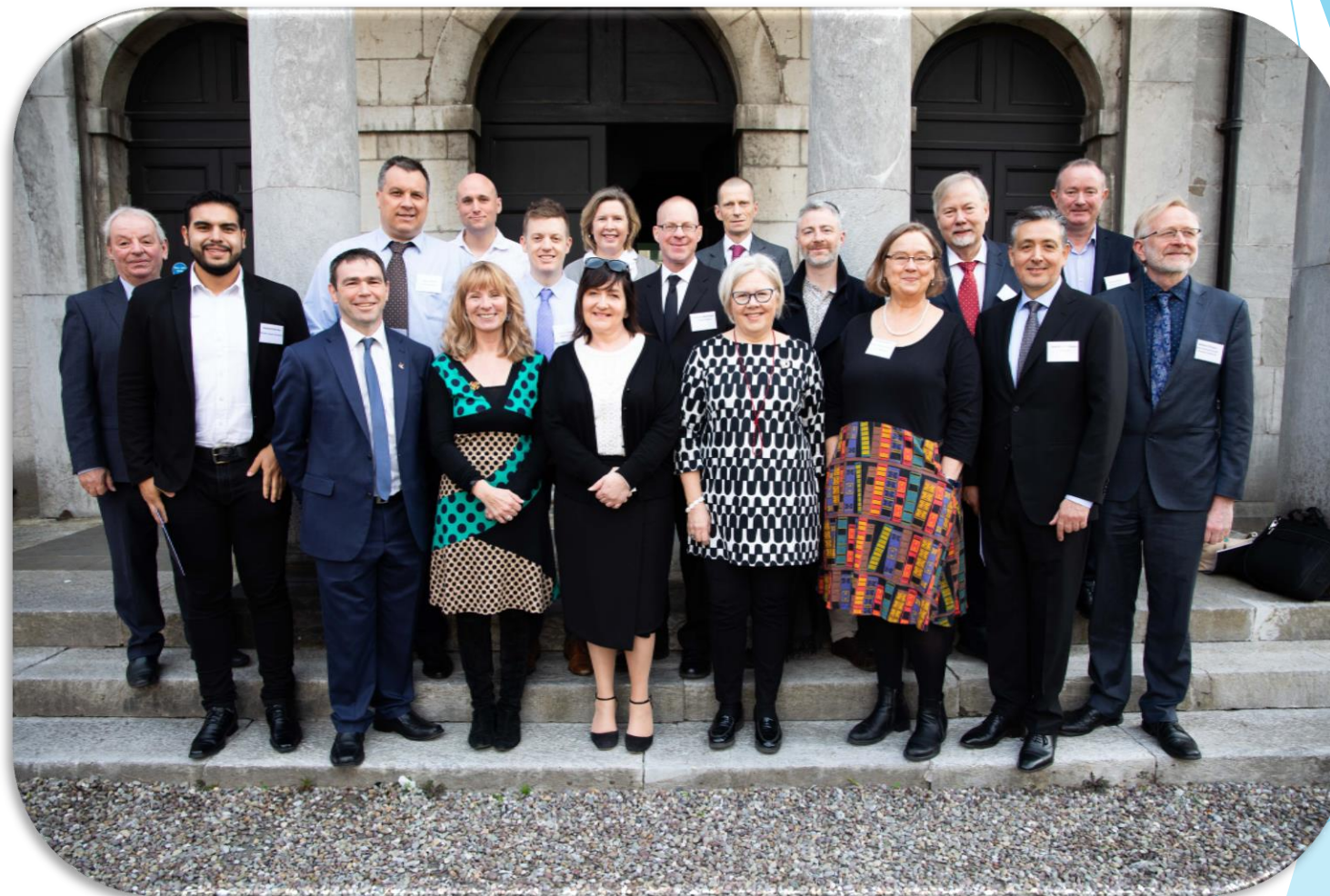
Beijing 2013 First
International conference of
learning cities

Mexico 2015 Second
International conference of
learning cities

Global Network of Learning
Cities &
PASCAL Learning Cities 2020
Networks

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Global and Regional Learning Cities Networks





Population : 210,000

*UNESCO Learning City Award
2015*

*Hosts of the 3rd UNESCO
International Learning Cities
Conference 2017*

THE Learning City CHALLENGE :

No Blueprint

Complexity

Organisations are Silos

How to maintain motivation and
continue to innovate

No one organisation can do it
alone

CORK LEARNING CITY

2020 - 2021

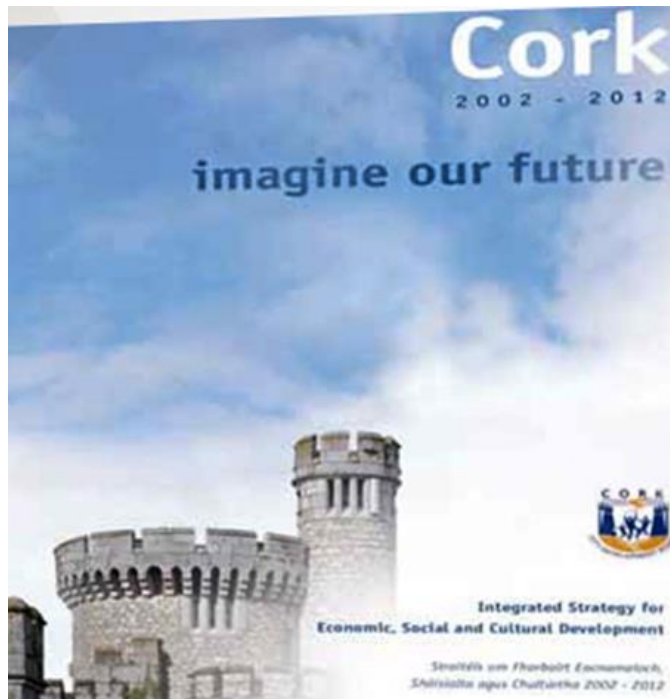


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Imagine our future Cork City Development Board Plan 2002



Goal 7: Cork as a city of learning

- ▶ Where access to learning is available for all levels and to all ages in the city.
- ▶ Where the city is recognised nationally and internationally as a centre of learning and research.
- ▶ Involving all stakeholders in lifelong learning: Formal, non formal, and informal
- ▶ **Creating a Culture of Learning in Cork**

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING ON LEARNING

between

**Four lead partners, with 2 strategic partners in Cork,
And with cities around the world.**



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- ▶ The four organisations have joined with others to form a Steering Group to advance these aspirations:
- ▶ Learning for all;
- ▶ Promoting Inclusion,
- ▶ Prosperity and Sustainability.
- ▶ This initiative builds on Cork City Council's formal adoption of the UNESCO Beijing Declaration on Building Learning Cities in 2014.

Creating a **Culture of Learning** in Cork City

Cork Lifelong Learning Festival



A week of activities that spin out into a year of possibilities

- ▶ Workshops, lectures, classes, walks open days, expos & demonstrations.
- ▶ Celebrating Learning
- ▶ Formal, non formal & informal
- ▶ All events are free
- ▶ Engaging 10,000+ citizens



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Cork Lifelong Learning Festival Memories 2018



Library Events



Demonstrations



Music



Community



Workshops



Presidential Visit



Learning Factories



Creative Classes



Our Community of Learners And Learning surrounds us



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Learning City Project Partners



and many community, school, youth
and industry partners, and friends

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EcCoWeLL – Towards an Integrated and Sustainable Approach



Dealing with issues
from separate silos
doesn't work



Holistic Approach
EcCoWeLL



In an era of complexity, escalating pace of
change and transformation and in a cyber
connected world

‘Silos’ have no place

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Benefits of the EcCoWell Approach



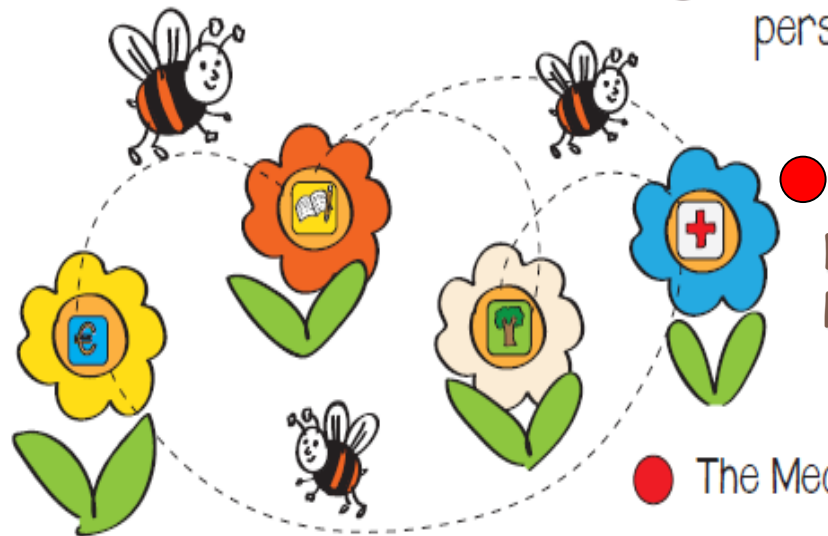
● Cross-fertilisation of ideas

● Reframing our perspectives

● Non-Traditional Partnerships

● The Medici effect

● Diversity as a source of creativity



Reframing our perspectives:

Building dynamic synergies
requires considerable

- innovation,
- creativity,
- good will.

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Cities as drivers, Lifelong learning as energy for sustainable change. *'No-one left behind'*

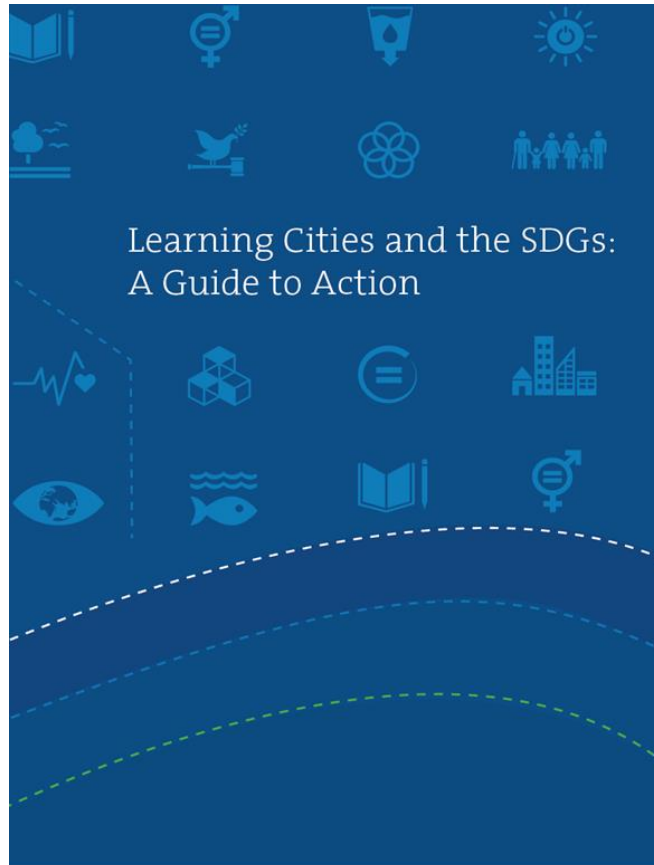
Figure 9.4 Global Goals for Sustainable Development (Source: UN)



Goals 11 and 17 Sustainable Cities and Partnerships

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Outcome document:



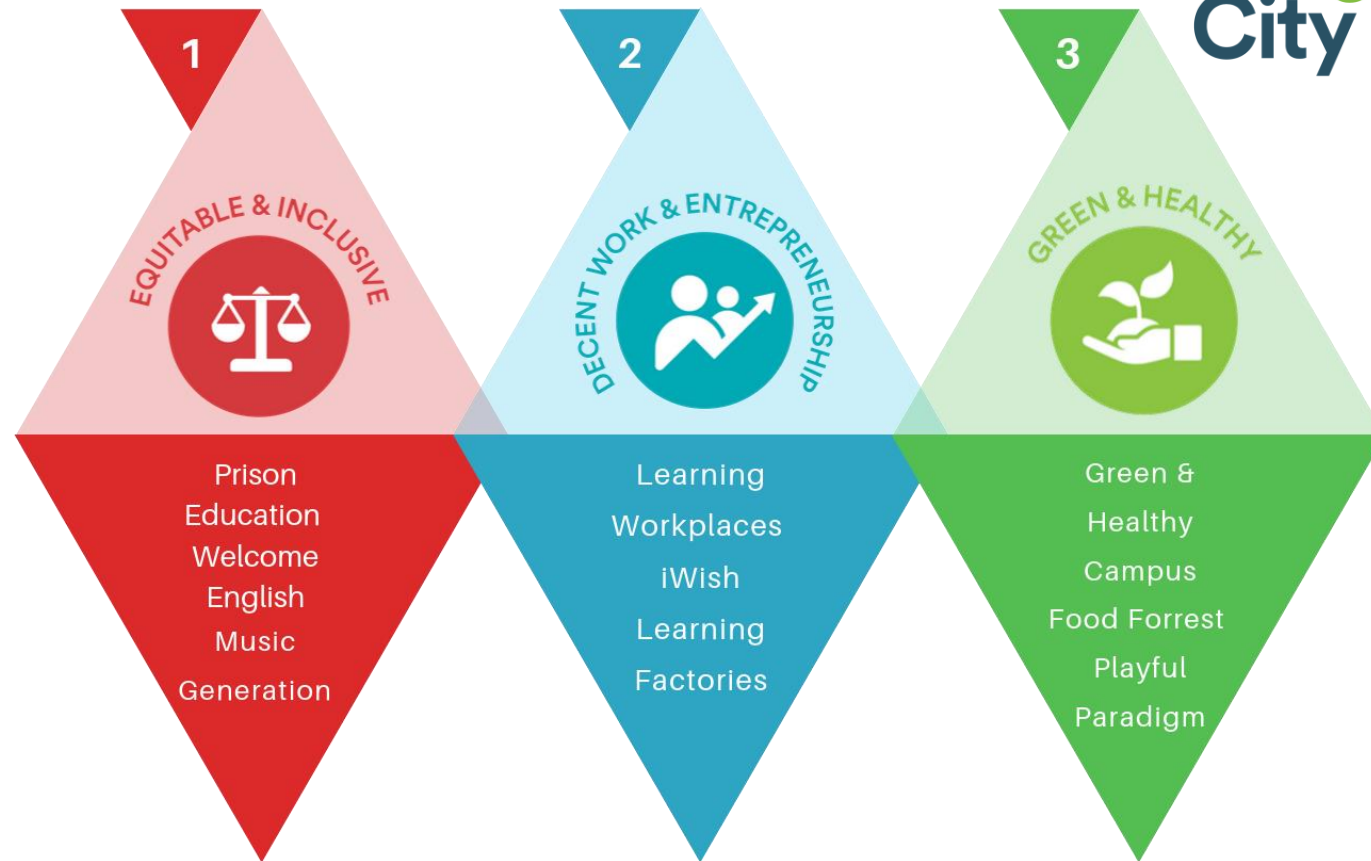
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Cork Call to Action on Learning Cities

Calling on cities worldwide to deliver on the Sustainable Development Goals through developing their cities as:

- ▶ Green & Healthy Learning Cities,
- ▶ Equitable and Inclusive Learning Cities,
- ▶ Supporting decent work and entrepreneurship.

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- Learning Workplaces
- Student Entrepreneurship
- Learning Factories



Learning Workplaces



Learning Factories





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- Community Response to Covid-19
- Green Campus
- Food Forest
- Learning for Health & Wellbeing



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Green Campus



Webinar and Meeting of the
UIL Cluster of
Learning Cities
for Health and Well-being

LEARNING FOR
WELL-BEING
2020

SUPPORTING RESILIENCE
IN LEARNING CITIES

CORK . IRELAND

FURTHER INFORMATION

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Event Language : English

Virtual event via Microsoft Teams

#LEARNINGFORWELLBEING2020

. presentations . well-being . innovations . networking . workshops . inspiration . support .



SAVE THE DATES

3 & 4 DECEMBER 2020

12.45 - 15.00 HRS CET


Presenting and investigating innovative and transferrable examples of best practice in UNESCO UIL Learning Cities across the world in supporting the health & well-being of their citizens.



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Food Forest





Area based responses to peoples needs

Eg. Blue Vests

Social Distancing Innovation in response to peoples expressed needs

Piloted locally in 2 areas

Rolled out citywide following communications campaign

Community Response Forum Task Groups

- Food Distribution
- Youth Response
- Bridging the Digital Divide

Global UNESCO Webinar
'Learning for Health &
Wellbeing - building resilience
in Learning Cities'
in December 2020



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Winner of UNESCO
Learning City
Award 2015

Cork Co-leads with Osan a UNESCO Cluster of Learning Cities on Learning for Health & Wellbeing

Municipalidad de San Jose	Costa Rica	Nea Smyrni	Greece	Anadia	Portugal
Escazú	Costa Rica	Athens	Greece	Cascais	Portugal
Viladecans	Spain	Elefsina	Greece	Alcobaça	Portugal
Mantes-la-Jolie	France	Thermi	Greece	Glasgow	Scotland
Clermont-ferrand	France	Samos	Greece	Nikopol	Ukraine
Evry-courcouronnes	France	Pécs	Hungary	Wolverhampton	UK
		Dublin	Ireland	Belfast	UK
Wyndham City	Australia	Gangnam-gu	Korea	Inputs from : Lowell, Mass, USA Manizales & Bogota , Colombia Aswan, Egypt	
Giza	Egypt	Yeoncheon-gun	Korea		
Kashan	Iran	Inje-gun	Korea		
Hashtgerd Newtown	Iran	Saha-gu	Korea		
Taku City	Japan	Jincheon City	Korea		
Balanga City	Philippines	Dobong-gu, Seoul	Korea		
Chiang Rai	Thailand				



SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS

17 GOALS TO TRANSFORM OUR WORLD

To deliver on the SDG's in **Cork** will require new thinking....
“Citizens must be empowered to anticipate and tackle constantly changing social, environmental and economic challenges” UN 2016.



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ecCoWell
Cork



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Health Service Executive

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Growing More than Apples



Transport & Mobility
Forum Cork



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A Cross Sectoral
Learning City
initiative

17 PARTNERSHIPS
FOR THE GOALS





Cork's SDG Leadership Series

A series of sessions bringing together leaders from cross sectoral partners to explore and apply each Global Goal in Cork over the next decade

Goal 4 Quality Education and Lifelong Learning for All,
hosted by CETB and CIT





We are Cork.

