

## Invitation to submit expression of interest in Academic educational network on Smart Cities and Islands

### Dear Colleagues

You are invited to provide expression of interests to participate in academic Smart Cities, Regions and Islands educational network.

## Motivation

The lack of educated people is the one of the key limiting factors in development and integration of Smart Cities, Regions and Islands solutions. There is a lack of experts with good multidisciplinary fundamental and applies knowledge in technological and non-technical domains. The experts working in this fields should have multidisciplinary system knowledge combined with societal responsibility. Education in this filed require modern methods and tools to explore full potential of people participation in design process and man -machine interaction. The education program should provide knowledge for experts be able to develop and to operate future smart cities and regions solving complex problems of modern society such as economic development, disappearances, social cohesion , environment, immigration, security and safety.

The program will be established together with the major smart city international forums and projects

#### Action plan

The next steps in the network development:

- collection of expressions of interest
- organising conference
- identification of key priorities, topics and educational modules
- setting up partnership and network secretariat

Network partners will be invited to participate in COST and ERASMUS project proposals.

# Call for Expressions of interest (EoI)

You are invited to submit expression interest to <u>adrian.boukalov@eai.eu</u> by 20 July 2019 . Please indicate the areas to educational and other expertise you would like to provide. Feel fre to invite your colleagues and partners. There EoI call and questionnaire will be available on web site. The list of organisations expressed interest in the network participation will be published on web site

#### Kind regards

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