# **EU SUSTAINABLE ENERGY WEEK 15-19 JUNE 2015**



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### Riga benefitted from learning

- Building capacity from the sector leaders and advanced cities
- Enlarging networks with new partners
- Extended political commitments
- Improved energy policy and moved to development of smart cities
- EU co-funded projects







#### **Cities are different**

	Ghent*	Glasgow	Gothenburg	Riga	
Annual final energy consumption, GWh	28,800**	12,500	15,650	12,260	
Year of reference	2009	2011 2010		2012	
Major energy source in energy supply	Cokes (including ETS and shipping); Natural gas (excluding ETS and shipping)	Natural gas	Liquid fossil fuels	Natural gas	
Share of electricity	~ 9.5%	~ 25% ~ 35%		~ 21%	
Share of district heat	~ 2.3%	<1%	~ 26%	~ 20%	
Share of renewables	~ 2.2%	<1%	~ 1.9%	~ 10%	



\*including ETS and shipping unless explicitly mentioned otherwise
\*\*final energy consumption data excluding ETS and shipping is not available due to
data privacy reasons

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### **Cities have different solutions (part1)**

Tool / approach	<b>~</b>				
	Ghent	Glasgow	Gothenburg	Riga	Grand Total
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<b>⊡</b> Direct	16	8	12	12	48
CHP/DH	2	4	2	4	12
Energy efficiency - industrial processes	1		1		2
Energy efficiency - new build			1		1
Energy efficiency - new build (district)	6		1	1	8
Energy efficiency - retrofit	3	1	2	2	8
Energy efficiency - retrofit (district)	1		1		2
Fleet change to low carbon vehicles	1	1	2	2	6
Publiclighting	1	1			2
Renewables	1		2		3
Renewables - biomass				1	1
Renewables - geothermal				1	1
Renewables - solar thermal				1	1
Smart grid		1			1
Grand Total	41	13	25	14	93

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### Cities have different solutions (part2)

Tool / approach	~				
	Ghent	Glasgow	Gothenburg	Riga	Grand Total
<b>↓</b> 1					
□ Enabling	25	5	13	2	45
Change in policy		1	2		3
Coaching to encourage	5				5
be haviour change					
Communication to encourage	5	1	4		10
behaviour change					
ICT	3	2		2	7
Improved planning			3		3
Incentives to encourage	3		1		4
be haviour change					
Infrastructure to encourage	2		1		3
be haviour change					
New business model	6	1	1		8
Procurement	1		1		2
Grand Total	41	13	25	14	93

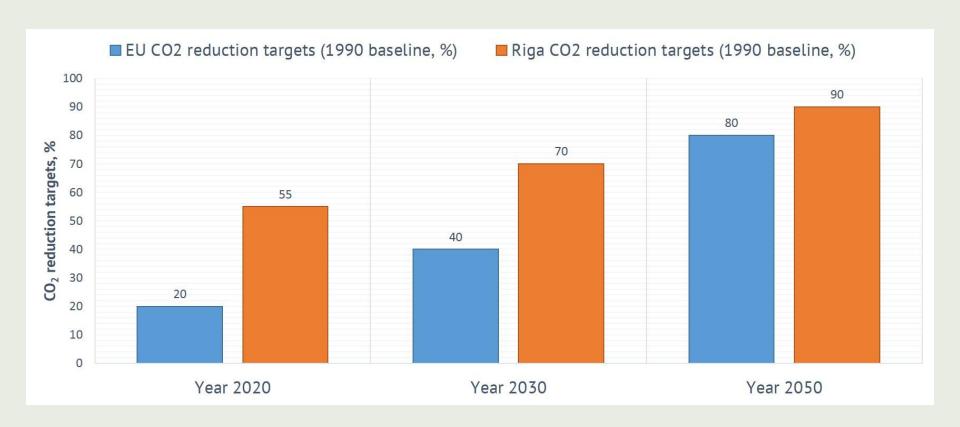
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## Riga process under Covenant of Mayors and STEP UP



### **EU vs Riga targets**







### Riga and partners innovating and transfering

- Greenitnet.com, the INTEREG IV co-financed project:
  - Aim was to transfer good practices
  - Which implies mature areas of expertise
- Scope was energy, Sustainability and IT
  - Project started: 2012
  - Green IT was (and is) a novel and innovative area of expertise
- Most good practices were experiments
- Overcome through:
  - Continuously motivating and involving partners
  - Sticking to methodology
- Results: 11 partners in 10 regions from 9 countries;
   160+ good practices online; 10 implementation plans;
   3 completed transfers; nomination for RegioStars Award





### Riga sharing innovative solutions (e-catalogue)

- Energy consumption management in multi apartment buildings
- Energy consumption management in public buildings
- Local biogas cogeneration with greenhouse complex
- Programmed LED city lightning with distance control
- Heat recovery from the flue gas within district heating system
- Automated energy consumption remote reading within district heating system
- E-ticket system implementation and reduced price tickets available for different social groups using public transport
- Database for Riga households on energy consumption in buildings
- Thermal pump with heat controllers for efficient building heating
- Automated wood chips biomass boilers with output value over 100%
- Electric cars for municipal technical units
- Sun battery system on building roofs
- Energy Efficiency for households using Smart technologies
- Solar pumps for building heating
- Heat recovery from waste water in multi apartment houses ... +





### **Proposals for actions at EU level**

- The inclusion of cities at the governance stage, not just for implementation at regional/national/EU level;
- A focus not only on technological solutions, but also on societal changes of the energy transition;
- More pilots across variety of EU Members states; support for MS to overcome difficulties;
- More actions:
- EU support programmes for small and medium sized cities;
  - Replication facilitated by mobility grants;
  - Technical assistance for local authorities;
  - One-stop agency at EU level.

