

Newsletter TIME4ALL

PROMOTING COOPERATION AMONG CITIZENS, TOWNS AND CITIES ON TIME
POLICIES AND THE RIGHT TO TIME



The meeting in Bergamo was a great start to an interesting project that should help all the beneficiaries of the European Project to come closer and to promote time policies both in the cities involved in the project and in the world.

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WELCOME TO THE FIRST NEWSLETTER OF TIME4ALL

This is the first biannual newsletter of the Time4All project. On it, you will get the key news of the project, as well as other events of interest. We hope you will find it interesting, and we invite you to forward it to whomever might be interested!



STARTING OFF ON THE RIGHT FOOT

The Time4All project officially started its path on 21st February in Bergamo, whose Municipality leads the project together with the Barcelona Time Use Initiative. **Time4All's aim is to promote cooperation among citizens, towns, and cities on time policies, to foster them, and ensure the recognition of the right to time as a right for all citizens.**

The initial meeting **allowed all partners to align on the key goals** and stress the importance of time policies as a tool to promote a better time organization to improve citizens' health, equality, productivity and sustainability, as well as increase civic participation.

It also saw **our social networks go live, both in Instagram (urbantimenetwork) and Twitter (UrbanTimeNtwk)**, and from there, we encourage all the partners to follow them.

LIFE BALANCE AND SUSTAINABILITY, THE FIRST TWO TOPICS TACKLED BY THE LOCAL AND REGIONAL TIME AGENDA

The project *Time4All* will have its own publication of good practices, organized by topics, which will be open and available for anyone wishing to learn more about time policies. As the project started, the first two chapters were presented publicly.

On one hand, the chapter on **“Life balance: work, care, rest, and personal time”**, that showcases 35 good practices classified in two groups: policies that aim to promote a better life balance for citizens, and policies promoting this balance within public institutions. It also has an introduction by a senior adviser at ILO, Mari Luz Vega, and a research officer at Eurofound, Sanna Nivakoski.

On the other hand, the chapter on **“Time, mobility, and sustainability: an opportunity to increase resilience”** compiles more than 30 good practices around three key topics:

time and sustainable mobility, time and proximity and time and urban regeneration. The introduction has articles from key experts, as well as a contribution from UN-Habitat.

Both chapters were presented at an online event, with more than 200 participants, that featured the presentation of seven of the good practices compiled in the agenda.

The event can be retrieved [here](#).



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Bolzano, the new World Capital of Time Policies, welcomes the Time4All partners

This year, Bolzano is the World Capital of Time Policies. Between 10th and 12th May, the Time4All partners were welcomed by the Municipality and its Time Office, for three days packed with activities around time policies.



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During the event, different discussion sessions were held by the project partners, the citizens and the stakeholders.

Among others, some of the topics that were discussed were: the adaptation of schedules to the different needs of society, especially the most vulnerable; the improved access to services thanks to digitization; the impact of time policies on mobility and the 15-minute city; the promotion of citizen participation through measures of time;

time policies on nightlife for different ages; the new work models and the four-day workdays; the flexibility of the day between teleworking and face-to-face work; and the new challenges of companies in the labor market.

Links between the partners in the Network have been strengthened, and there was the opportunity to learn about the experiences of new cities such as Bologna, Innsbruck or Trento.

NEXT CHAPTERS OF THE LOCAL AND REGIONAL TIME AGENDA DECIDED

The Executive Board of the Network met virtually during April to discuss the topics to be tackled for the next two chapters of the Local and Regional Agenda, based on the feedback received during the Time4All's kick-off.

The Board agreed on the following two topics:

- 1) Time, participation and democracy. It will be launched during June 2023 and will deal with how time policies can foster participation in public life, and therefore, enrich our democracy.
- 2) Time and nightlife. Following the debate held in Bolzano, the 4th chapter of the Agenda will analyze the policies being implemented to regulate the night time. It is foreseen that the initial work will start by November 2023.

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We hope you are all interested in both issues and encourage you to contribute with good practices and ideas.





UPCOMING EVENTS

Time4All's planned events for 2023 are:

- * **Exchange with LATAM municipalities on Time Policies.**
 - Date and time: 20 June, from 15h to 16:30h
 - Location: Online
 - Registration: <https://timeuse.barcelona/2-ibero-american-time-schedules-forum/>
- * **General Assembly of the Network**
 - Date and time: 17 October, all day.
 - Location: Barcelona
 - Registration: It will open by July.

Additional events that might be of interest for the partners include:

- * **Brussels Urban Summit.** The BTUI, as secretariat of the Network, is carrying on a workshop on time policies, together with the Municipality of Strasbourg, the Municipality of Barcelona and the Municipality of Bogota.
 - Date and time: 13 June, from 16h to 17:30h.
 - Location: Brussels
 - Registration: <https://www.urbansummit.brussels/>