LEUVEN
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Our mission is to make Leuven one of the most caring, green and prosperous cities.

We want to ensure that Leuven is a connected city, where everyone can feel at home and where we can work together towards a positive and sustainable future.

Leuven wants to become a leading city, to be a model of how cities can tackle challenges vigorously and smart.

We do this in collaboration, with as many committed inhabitants, organizations, knowledge institutions, entrepreneurs and companies as possible. Locally, regionally, nationally and internationally.
10 priorities

1. Connected, involved and participative city
2. Affordable living
3. Accessible and traffic-safe city
4. Safe and attractive city
5. Inclusive and caring city
6. Sustainable, climate-proof and circular city
7. Active and venturous city
8. Healthy and sporty city
9. Vivid city
10. Innovative and efficient city
Leuven, a Smart City

• Improve the life quality of Leuven residents
• Investigate, through data collection and monitoring
• Pilot projects and study of good practices
• Technology offers opportunities
• Future-proof city
Connected, involved and participative city

Some of our projects and results
We implement new ways of cooperation and systematically join forces

- KU Leuven, IMEC,…
- Leuven MindGate
- Leuven 2030
- SOM (Samen Onderwijs Maken)

⇒ Horizontal Collaboration Model
Connected, involved and participative city

Some of our projects and results
• We also encourage encounters and cooperations between inhabitants
  • Projects such as Kom Op Voor Je Wijk, neighborhood parties, …
  • Hal 5, community lab

The future
• Participation in the design and implementation of policy
  • In drafting administrative memorandum, multi-year plan
  • Online platform
  • Participatory budgets
  • Online tools to handle residents' concerns efficiently
• A counter especially for entrepreneurs
• E-services and automatic entitlements
Sustainable, climate-proof and circular city

Some of our projects and results

• Greener city
  • 18,600 trees, 1030 hectares of greenery, 73 parks, 600 facade gardens,…
• Air Quality mesurements (Leuvenair) & Black Carbon
• Heat Network in the Vaartkom (in developement)
• LICHT LEUVEN
• LEUVEN SWITCHT
• Recuperation of wastewater AB Inbev

The future

• More sustainable energy production & consumption
  • District renovations
  • Windmills in coorporation
• Local food strategy
• Roadmap Leuven 2030
Accessible and (traffic-) safe city

Some of our projects and results

- Circulation plan
- More space for cyclists and pedestrians → Modal shift: 41% bikes (used to be 33%) and 54% cars (used to be 63%)
- Shared mobility: increased 35% in 1 ½ years
- Cozy squares and water in the city: more qualitative public space (ex: Temporary and experimental design Victor Broosplein)
- Build over water

The future

- Smart devices such as street lighting, traffic lights, dynamic traffic signs, smart trash cans,…
- Smart city distribution system
- Innovative traffic guidance and parking policy
- MaaS: Mobility as a Service Applications
- Electric selfdriving shuttles
- MOBI-points: a zone in a neighbourhood where several services are combined such as lockers, distributions, public transport,…
Affordable living

Some of our projects and results

• Focusing on new ways of living
  • Cohousing
  • Budget homes

The future

• Most family-friendly apartment building
• ‘Hamsterwonen’
  • buying a property after renting it first with recuperation of the rental fees
• CLT (Community Land Trust)
• Modular constructions
Innovative urban development as a leverage for a smart city