

Open & Agile Smart Cities

Open & Agile Smart Cities (OASC) is a non-profit association based in Brussels, Belgium. OASC is a global network of cities whose common purpose is to improve the quality of life of their citizens through innovation and technology.

The mission of OASC is to unite cities around the world to build a global market for smart city data and services from the demand side and based on the needs of cities and communities.

As a non-profit organisation, OASC will support cities and communities in their digital transition. Concretely, OASC will support cities by means of a list of recommended open and lightweight standards – the so-called Minimal Interoperability Mechanisms (MIMs) – supporting cities to procure digital services and to exchange data and services.

The initial set of MIMs has been formally approved and adopted by the OASC Council of Cities on 16 January 2019. Corresponding baselines and standards will be curated by the OASC Working Group on MIMs in a continuous and transparent process.

OASC was founded as an initiative in March 2015 and has seen a steady increase of member cities ever since. It has incorporated as non-profit organisation in December 2017. The founding members are: Aarhus University (DK), Business Tampere (FI), Future Cities Catapult (UK), and imec (BE).

Becoming a Member

To become a member of Open & Agile Smart Cities, a city has to take the following steps:

- Sign the *Letter of Intent* that states the principles of OASC.
Note: The actual signee differs from city to city. While in some cities the mayor signs this document, in others it is the CIO, CTO or head of a smart city department who is responsible.
- Send the signed *Letter of Intent* to the OASC secretariat (info@oascities.org).
- Upon approval of the OASC Board of Directors, the city becomes officially a member.

About Membership

- Membership for cities to OASC, its Council of Cities, its General Assembly, and the Working Groups is **free**. Optional training and service packages are offered by OASC to its member cities as tiered membership packages.
- Member cities are organised in so-called chapters. One city cannot constitute a chapter. **A chapter is founded by at least two cities.**
- Once a chapter is established, **single cities can join subsequently.**
- A **chapter nominates a representative** – the so-called network coordinator – to the Council of Cities.
Note: The OASC secretariat does not take part in the nomination of the chapter's Council of Cities representative. It is up to the Chapter to organise a model for elections.
- Cities signing the *Letter of Intent* become **Members** of Open & Agile Smart Cities as defined in the organisation's Articles of Association.
- Members **agree to follow the majority decisions** (50% + 1 vote) of the Council of Cities.

Member responsibilities

- Experimentation with and (within a reasonable timeframe) implementation of OASC principles and OASC Minimal Interoperability Mechanisms.
- Active participation in the network, particularly in the regular Council of Cities meetings
Note: Remote participation will be available to participate in Council of Cities Meetings.
- Active participation in annual elections of the Cities' representative (and vice-representative) to the Board of Directors and of the Council Coordinator (and vice-coordinator).
- Sharing of best practices and solutions with the OASC Working Groups.
- Active participation in the "Stuff that Works" OASC webinar series, as audience or contributor.
- Partners are strongly encouraged to participate in OASC's annual conference, the Connected Smart Cities Conference, and other OASC-endorsed events.

Become a member and join the global movement

Australia

Brisbane, Gold Coast, Ipswich, Logan and Moreton Bay Region

Austria

Graz, Linz, Salzburg and Vienna

Belgium

Antwerp, Brussels, Ghent and Leuven

Bosnia and Herzegovina

Mostar, Sarajevo and Tuzla

Brazil

Anapólis (Goiás), Colinas do Tocantins (Tocantins), Cuiabá, Garanhuns, Nova Friburgo, Olinda (Recife), Parnamirim, Porto Alegre (Rio Grande do Sul), Recife, Rio das Ostras (Rio de Janeiro), Taquaritinga (São Paulo), Uberlândia and Vitória (Espírito Santo)

Croatia

Dubrovnik, Rijeka, Sibenik and Split

Denmark

Aarhus, Aalborg, Copenhagen, and Vejle

England

Bristol, Cambridgeshire, Leeds, Manchester, Milton Keynes and Stoke-On-Trent & Staffordshire

Finland

Espoo, Helsinki, Oulu, Tampere, Turku and Vantaa

France

Amiens, Arras, Issy-les-Moulineaux, Saint-Quentin, Soissons and Valenciennes

Germany

Delbrück and Paderborn

Greece

Katerini, and Trikala

Hungary

Kaposvár, Miskolc, Nagykanizsa and Szolnok

Ireland

Cork, Dublin, Galway and Limerick

Italy

Ancona, Cagliari, Genoa, Lecce, Messina, Milan, Palermo, and Terni

Mexico

Cuautla, León

Netherlands

Almere, Amersfoort, Amsterdam, Drechtsteden, Eindhoven, Enschede, Rotterdam and Utrecht

Norway

Bodø, Gjesdal, Fredrikstad, Larvik, Sandefjord, Stavanger and Trondheim

Poland

Gdansk, Grudziadz and Poznan

Portugal

Águeda, Fundão, Lisbon, Oliveira de Azêmeis, Palmela, Penela and Porto.

Scotland

Aberdeen, Dundee, Edinburgh, Glasgow, Inverness, Perth and Stirling

Slovenia

Idrija and Koper

Spain

Alicante, Guadalajara, Las Palmas de Gran Canarias, Málaga, Murcia, Sabadell, Santander, Sevilla, and Valencia

Switzerland

Carouge and Geneva

