



**EU CITIES FOR FAIR AND
ETHICAL TRADE
AWARD**

Informational Webinar



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Agenda



14:30 to 14:40

Introduction to Webinar Structure: ITC
Introduction of Webinar presenters and participants: ITC
Award overview and objectives: DG Trade

14:40 to 14:50

Review of 1st edition of the Award
Presentation by ITC
- Key take-aways from the 2018 Award process

14:50 to 15:00

Current edition of the Award
Presentation by ITC
- Application Process
- Key milestones in 2020

15:00 to 15:30

Open Q&A
Participants free to ask questions through the chatbox





Indre Vaicekauskaitė Policy Officer, Trade and Sustainable Development, DG Trade, European Commission

Introductory remarks on the Award rationale and the EU political context





Joseph Wozniak

Head of Trade for Sustainable Development Programme, International Trade Centre

- **Key take aways/outcomes of the 2019 Award**



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ITC Presentation



Be a sustainable trade champion!

Celebrating *EU cities* who champion more *sustainable trade, consumption and production*, creating opportunities for producers in other countries





Key takeaways from the 1st edition

- 18 eligible cities applied from across the EU
- 7 cities shortlisted, 1 Award Winner, 4 Special Mentions
- Network of EU Cities for Fair and Ethical Trade (since 2018)
- Development Cooperation Project connecting Ghent, Belgium and Sahnewal, India - facilitated by ITC (since summer 2019)
- Sustainable Trade Champions report (January 2020)





The 2018 Award Winners





Award Winners

Commonalities between **front-runner cities** at the level of individual activities:

- ✓ Target **public procurement** to make it more sustainable;
- ✓ Produce sustainable shopping, catering and restaurant **guides**;
- ✓ Organize **guided city tours and/or labels** to inform citizens and visitors about opportunities for responsible consumption choices;
- ✓ Organize **dedicated events** to enhance **awareness and understanding** amongst citizens;
- ✓ Focus on **educational initiatives to sensitize** and inform the youngest of their citizens; and
- ✓ Develop **online information and tools**.



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ITC Presentation



The Network of EU Cities for Fair and Ethical Trade



Cities shortlisted for any
Award edition

2018-2020:
Dortmund, Ghent, Lyon,
Madrid, Malmö, Saarbrücken,
Vitoria-Gasteiz



Sustainable Trade Champions 2019 report

- In 2017: no precise definition of ‘fair and ethical trade’ under the Award
- 2017 ‘Living Book’
- Intention: let the cities construe the meaning in their submissions, collect as many stories and cases as possible
- **Applications revealed:**
 - an impressive number of fair and ethical trade initiatives led by EU cities and their citizens
 - how EU cities are already driving positive change & changing mind-sets





ITC-Ghent development project with Sahnewal, India

A unique city-to-city cooperation project, with the UN (ITC), the European Commission, and a local NGO

Textile value chains: connecting with the cities' DNA

OUTPUTS

MAPPING: assessment of the municipality needs and capacity gaps on sustainable production – **a report and work-plan** for decision-making

INTERACTIVE WORKSHOPS: exchange with Ghent on creation of enabling environment for a local ecosystem conducive to responsible/sustainable production; supporting community participation; scaling-up





Madison Wilcox Sustainability Officer, T4SD Programme, International Trade Centre

- **Application Process**
- **Key milestones in 2020**





EU Cities for Fair and Ethical Trade Award 2021





EU Cities for Fair and Ethical Trade Award 2021

WHO?

Cities in EU member states with
>20,000 inhabitants

- Any city stakeholder can launch the application, subject to an official submission & Mayor's approval

WHAT?

Coherent approach to sustainable, fair and ethical trade through:

1. Vision, strategy & objectives
2. Relevant policies
3. Impactful activities & initiatives





Applying for the Award

WHY?

- **Prestigious recognition**
- **Increased visibility**
- **Inspiration for your local activities**
- **Development cooperation project outside of EU**
- **Promotion of pioneers in the Sustainable Trade Champions report**
- **Join shortlisted cities in the Network to learn & collaborate**

“The Award helped my city to become part of a Network with other cities in Europe where we learn from each other and share our ideas for a better world.”

Sara Stjepic, City of Dortmund





Applying for the Award

APPLICATION PROCESS

- **Easy application process via online application portal**
- **Application in English is encouraged, but possible in any of EU 24 working languages**
- **Evidence to support the claims made in their narratives (3 pieces/question)**
- **Concise: word limit + application length limit (4,050 words)**
- **Mayoral declaration mandatory**
- **Applicant webinars February-May 2020**
- **Network to learn & collaborate**





Applying for the Award

APPLICATION FORM

- **City Summary Pitch**
- **City Context Criteria**
- **6 main questions:**
 - 1) **Vision, objectives, motivation**
 - 2) **Policies, systems & actions**
 - 3) **Creating enabling environment and raising awareness**
 - 4) **Initiatives by city's stakeholders**
 - 5) **Measurement & evaluation systems**
 - 6) **Development project ideas**





Applying for the Award

EVALUATION CRITERIA

- *Criteria cover overarching substantive aspects of the application:*
 - Overall direction and strategy**
 - Depth and innovative aspects of initiatives**
 - Stakeholder engagement and participation**
 - Measurement, evaluation and impact**
 - Presentation & communication of the content in the application**





The 2020 Award

Application
Launch

4 February 2020

Application
Webinars

February-May

Application
Due

June 12

Evaluation

June-August

Jury
decision

September

Award
Ceremony
in Ghent

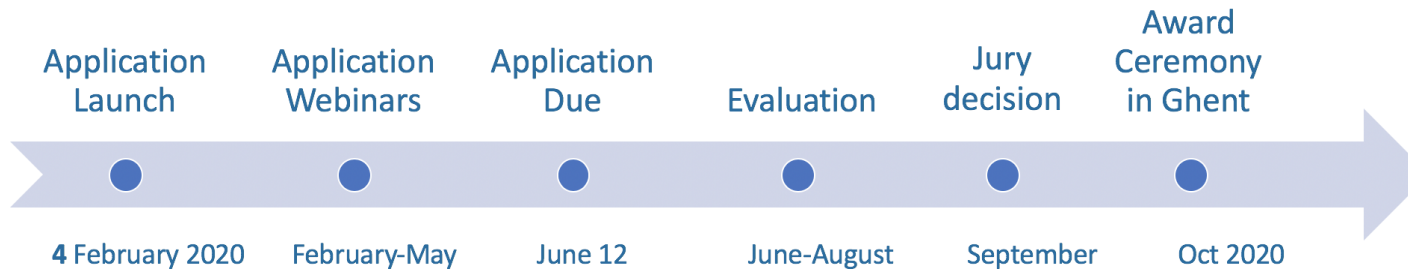
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The Application Portal is open!

www.trade-city-award.eu







Thank you!

