



How can municipalities, financial institutions, policymakers and businesses work together to accelerate climate investment at the local level?

This is the central question driving the 2nd International Conference of Cidades pelo Clima.

Under the theme Delivering Climate Neutrality – Business, Finance & Collective Action, the conference will bring together around 200 leaders from academia, finance, business, civil society and public policy at the Beato Innovation District in Lisbon on the 2nd of July, for a day of high-level debate and action-oriented dialogue.

The programme combines keynote addresses with thematic panels on the defining challenges of urban climate transition, from unlocking municipal investment and blended finance mechanisms, to advancing local climate pacts and mobilising private capital for the urban transition.

The conference is organised by IN+ - Centre for Innovation, Technology and Policy Research at Instituto Superior Técnico - and Católica-Lisbon School of Business and Economics, this year integrating the 2nd [Lisbon Sustainability Week](#).



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PRELIMINARY PROGRAMME

10h00-10h10

WELCOME

Directorate-General of Energy and Geology

10h10-10h30

OPENING SESSION

Manuela Álvares | Councillor for Public Works and Environment of the Municipality of Matosinhos // in representation of the President of the General Assembly of Cities for Climate

10h30-11h10

KEYNOTE SPEAKERS

Ricardo Rio

Global Enabling Sustainability Initiative

Giulia Lombardi

Philea, Philanthropy Europe Association

11h10-11h30

Coffee-break

11h30-12h30

PANEL #1 | UNLOCKING MUNICIPAL CLIMATE INVESTMENT

Moderator

Julio Lumbreras | CitiES2030

Speakers

Elena Simion | M100

Miguel Almeida | Fundo Apoio Municipal

Olga Kordas | Viable Cities

12h30-14h00

Lunch & Networking



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14h00-15h00

**PANEL #2 | BLENDED FINANCE FOR URBAN CLIMATE
TRANSITION**

Moderator

Ângela Lucas

Speakers

Shiva Dustdar | EIB Institute

Matiss Paegle | BaltCap

Natália Alencar | Banco Português de Fomento

15h00-16h00

**CORPORATE INNOVATION IN URBAN CLIMATE
TRANSITIONS – CASE STUDIES**

Moderator

Dina Rato

Speakers

Rui Lopo | CARRIS

Rui Pimenta | ENNO

João Crispim | CASAIS

Diogo Talone | VEOLIA

16h00-17h00

**PANEL #3 | ADVANCING LOCAL CLIMATE PACTS:
CLIMATE CHAMPIONS LEAGUE**

Moderator

Bob D’Haeseleer | ICLEI

Speakers

Teresa Santos | Futebol Clube do Porto

Manuel de Brito | Sport Lisboa e Benfica

Denise Heinemann* | FC Bayern München



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17h00-17h45

CLOSING SESSION CIDADES PELO CLIMA

Paulo Ferrão | Chair of the EU Cities Mission Board

Vasco Anjos | Councillor for Environment, Energy and Sustainability of the Municipality of Lisboa

João Manuel Esteves* | Secretary of State for Environment

17h45-18h00

CLOSING REMARKS LISBON SUSTAINABILITY WEEK

Filipe Santos | Universidade Católica Portuguesa



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