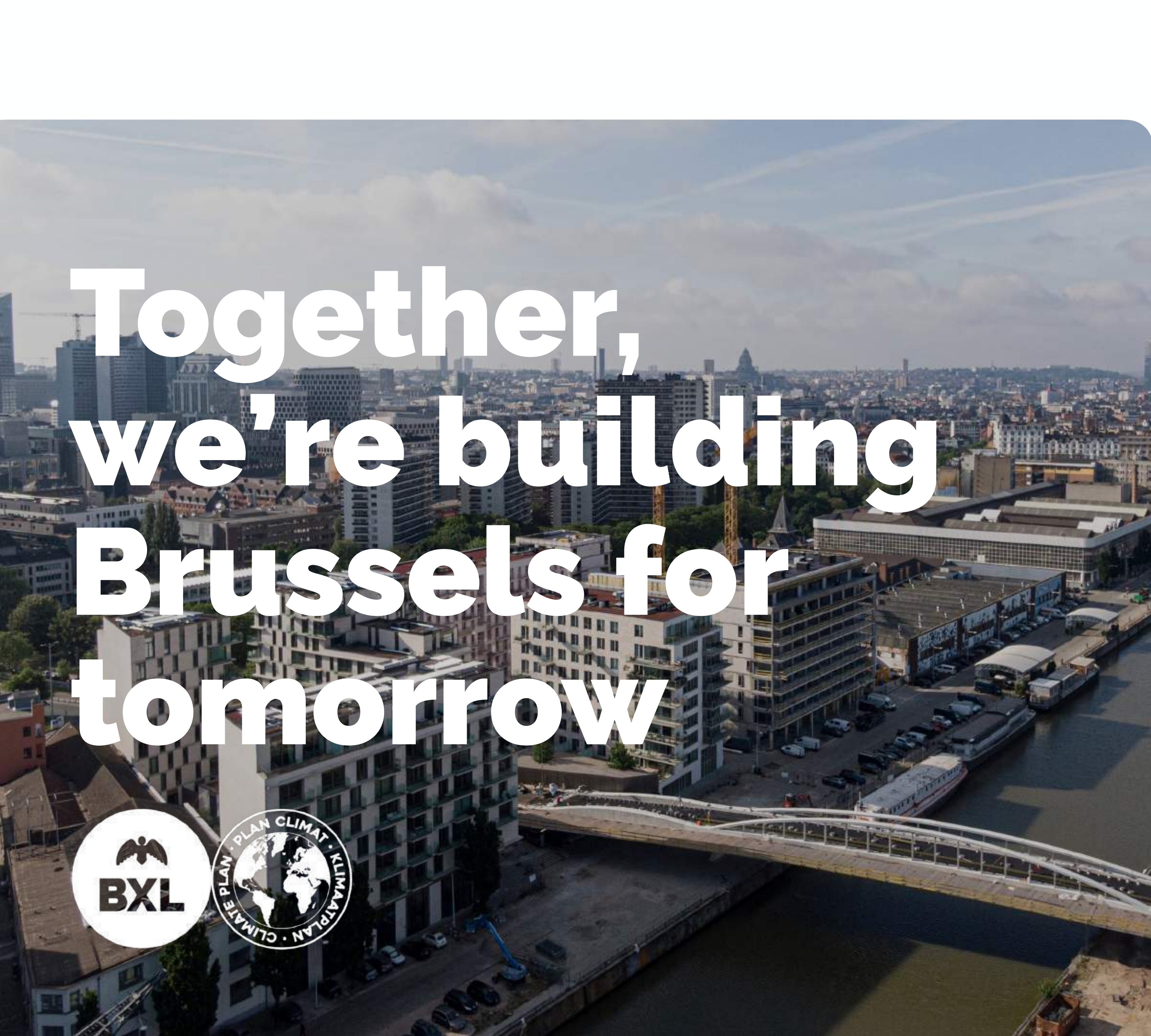




Together, we're building Brussels for tomorrow



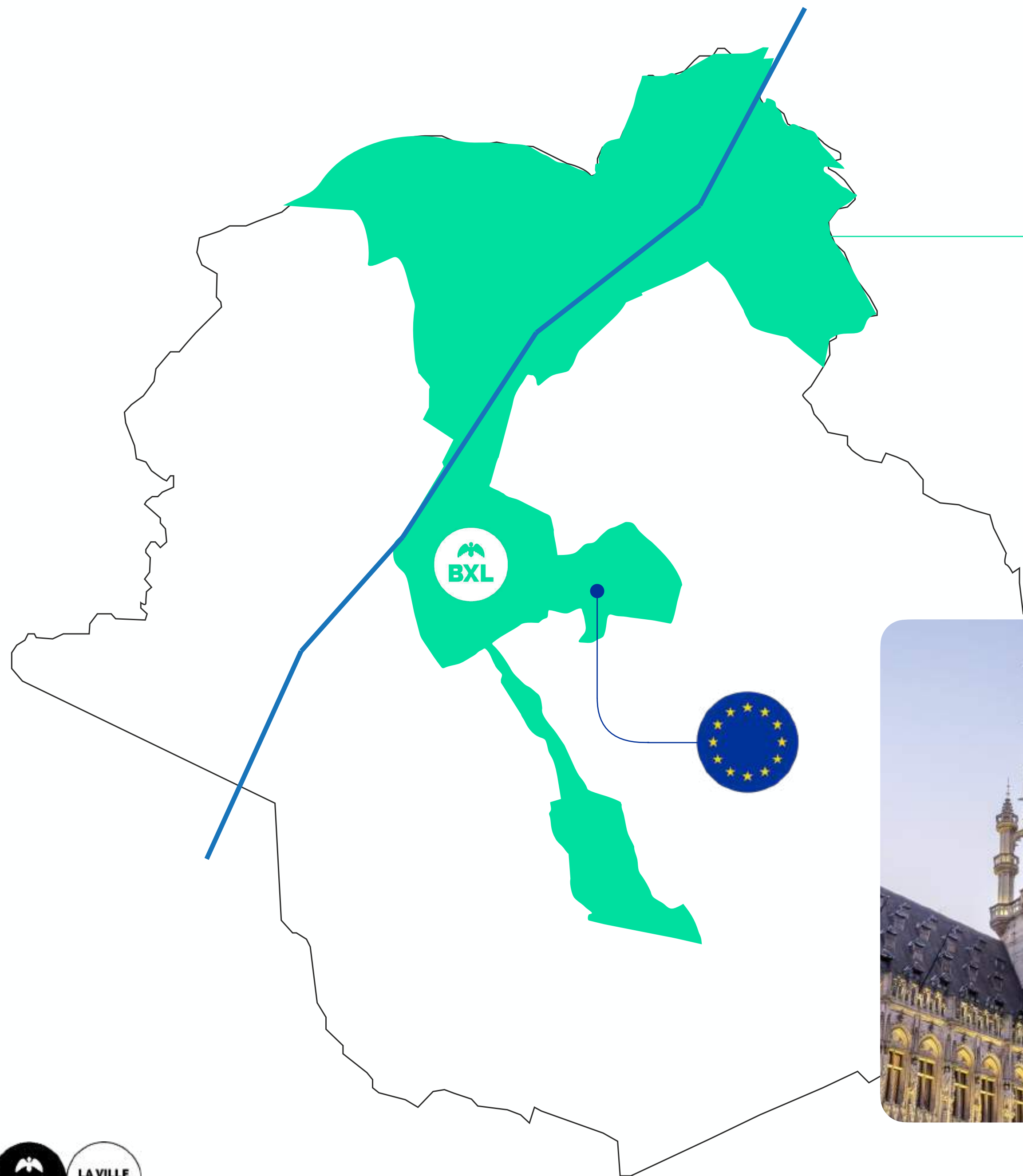
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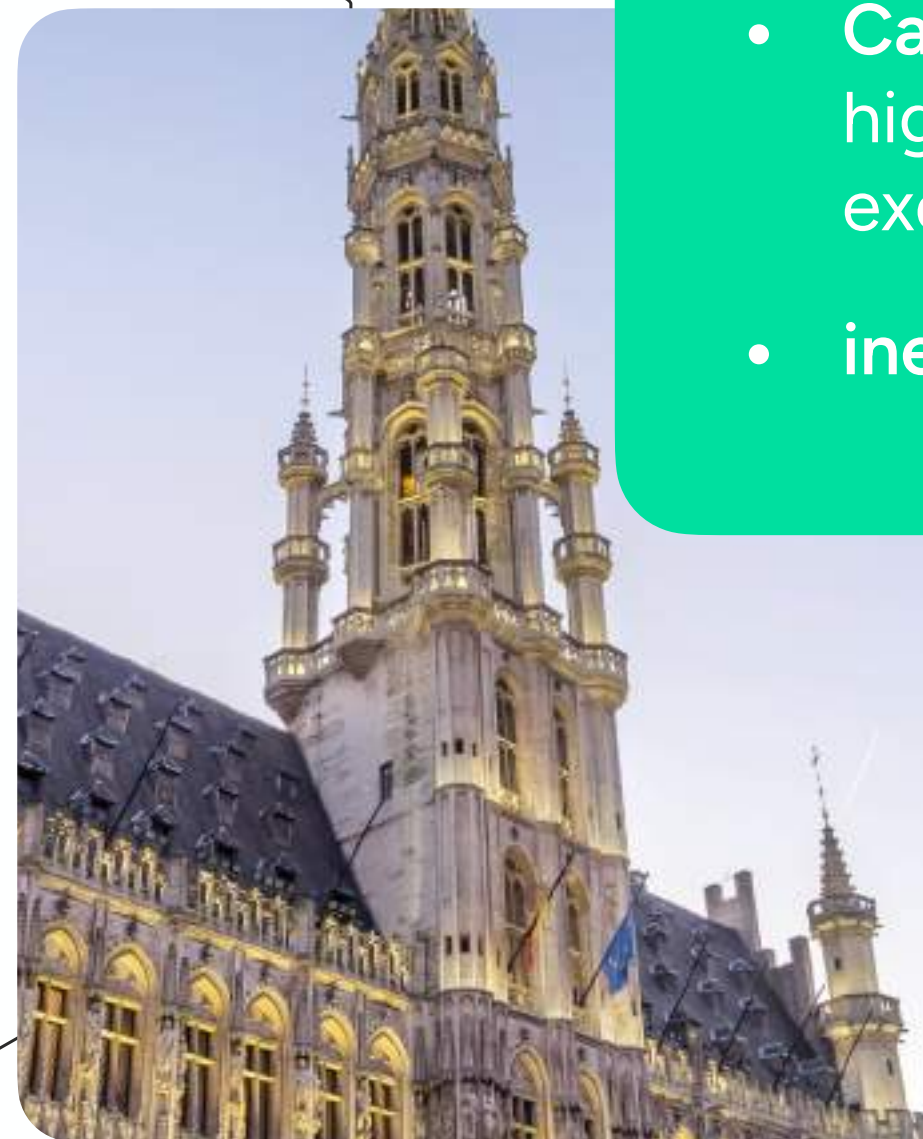
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Webinar
**Cities for the Green Transition:
Empowering Communities
Through Local Action**
13/10/2025



ABOUT BXL

- City of Brussels: 200.000 inh.
- Brussels Capital Region: 1,2 mln inh.
- Most cosmopolitan city in Europe (75% of pop. has migration background)
- Multilingual City
- Densely populated
11.200/km² in Pentagon
- Canal: Underserved neighborhoods facing higher poverty risk and socio-economic exclusion
- inequality of green & public space



CLIMATE RESILIENCE RISKS

- Flooding & Heavy Rain
- Urban Heat Island Effect
- Drought & Water Stress

TOGETHER WE'LL SUCCEED

- Climate Plan Update: Citizens' Assembly on Climate
Local and regional initiatives
- Open Call for Climate (yearly)
- Co-create neighborhoods (City Renewal Contracts)
- Scaling Pilote Projects

CHALLENGE

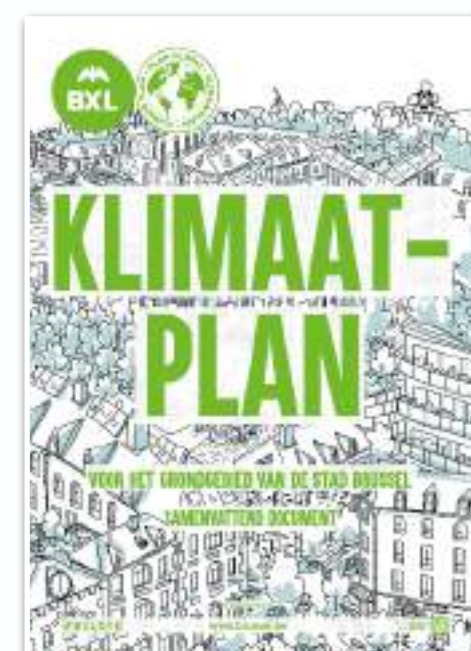
- Building Trust
- Consistency
- Socio-economic reality
- Activation Private Sector
- Public Budget



2008



2018



2022

Climate Plan 2.0 for the
City of Brussels Territory

EU Mission: 100 Climate-
Neutral and Smart Cities.



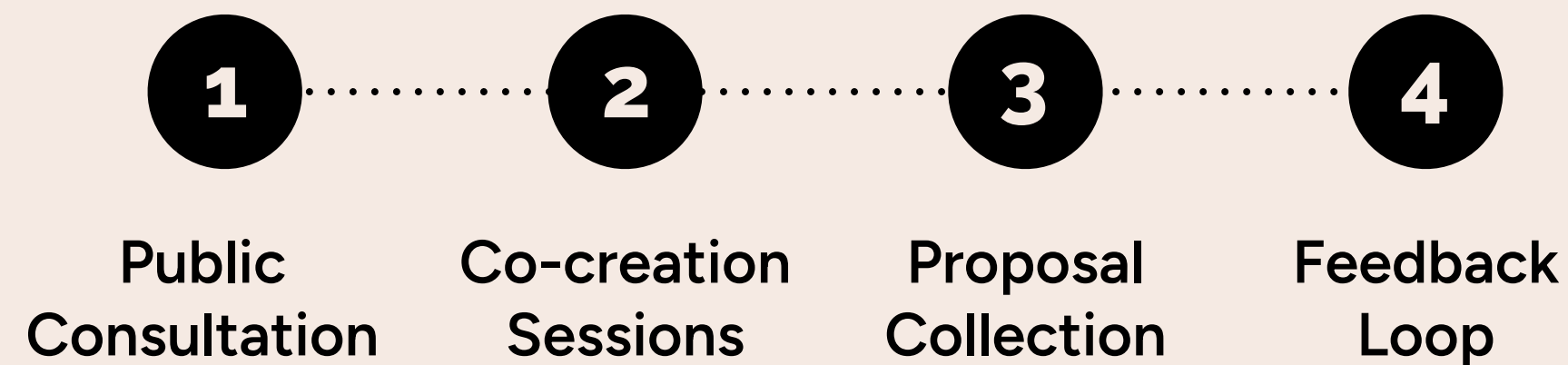
2030
-55%

2050
Net Zero

CLIMATE PLAN UPDATE

Recap 2022:

- C700 citizens actively participated
- 46 workshops were organized
- Over 300 proposals for actions were collected



CALL FOR CLIMATE PROJECTS

Up to 40K per project

- Environmental impact
- Innovation and creativity
- Collective dimension (civil society and SMB)
- Sustainability and autonomy

A photograph of three young men sitting on a green bicycle in a city street. The bicycle has a green flag with 'BXL' written on it. The text 'Citizen engagement for a green transition' is overlaid in large white letters.

Citizen engagement for a green transition

CO-CREATION: URBAN RENEWAL CONTRACT

- Budget: City + Region - 5 years
- Co-created with a mission-oriented neighbourhood council
- 30% Stone, 30% Public Space, 30% socio-economic projects
- Specific underserved neighborhoods

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