

Building Cities of the Future

Preliminary schedule

Below you can see a preliminary schedule for the challenge. Changes may occur:

Week 1: 23-27 February 2026:

Week 1 task

- Selection of background lectures on key topics related to the challenge (accessible online throughout the course)

Tuesday 24 February:

- 10:15 – 12:00 CET Introductory lecture, team building, Challenge description by Biototal (online)

Week 2: 02 – 06 March 2026:

Week 2 Task

- Problem identification, finding data
- Solution brainstorming (in teams)

Tuesday 03 March

- 10:15-12:00 CET Team Building seminar

Week 3: 09-13 March 2026

Week 3 task:

- Continue group work
- Watch pre-recorded lectures available in the course room

Phase I: Problem/Solution

Week 4: F2F week 16-20 March 2026

Monday 16 March:

- 09:00 - 12:00 Arrival & Welcome (Drop-in)
- 13:00 – 15:00 Presentation of Biototal and additional discussions on the challenge in the broader context.
- 15:00 – 17:00 Groupwork

Tuesday 17 March:

- 08:00 – 15:00 Technical visit at the biogas plant of Tekniska Verken and Biototal headquarters in Linköping
- 13:00 – 15:00 Concept development
- 15:00 – 17:00 Groupwork

Wednesday 18 March:

- 08:00 – 12:00 Technical visit to the biogas research laboratory facilities at the Department of Thematic Studies
- 13:00 – 17:00 Pitch training and group work

Thursday 19 March:

- 08:00 – 17:00 Groupwork

Friday 20 March:

- 09:00 – 12:00 First rough pitch presentations to the challenge provider.
- 12:00 – 13:00 After Action Review
- 13:00 - Conclusion of F2F week

END OF F2F WEEK

Week 5: 23 – 27 March 2026:

Week 5 Task:

- Working independently in groups to further hone the idea and incorporate the preliminary feedback from the challenge provider.

Thursday 26 March

- 30 min check in between each group and respective teamcher – book time in communication with your teamcher.

Phase II: On practical implementation

Week 6: 30 March – 03 April 2026

Week 6 task:

- Continue groupwork - final revisions
- Prepare presentation for peer feedback

Wednesday 01 April

- 09.15 – 12:00 CEST Presentation and peer feedback

Phase III: Revision & final pitch

Week 7: 06 – 10 April

Week 7 task:

- Work independently in groups to incorporate the peer feedback comments as well as aspects of policy and feasibility aspects.
- Make final tweaks to the idea.
- Prepare the final presentation.
- Prepare the final written proposal you will submit to the provider

Thursday 09 April

- Submit your final written proposal to the provider.
- **Deadline 09 April 2026 at 12:00 CEST.**

Thursday 09 April

- 09:15 – 12:00 CEST Pitch of the finalized idea to the challenge provider.