

Building Cities of the Future

Preliminary schedule

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

Week 1: 28 September – 02 October 2026:

Week 1 task

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

Wednesday 30 September 2026:

- 10:15 – 12:00 CEST Introductory lecture, team building, Challenge description by St1-Biokraft (online)

Week 2: F2F week: 5 - 9 October 2026

Week 2 task

- Continue with the online background lectures

Phase I: Problem/Solution

Week 3: F2F week: 12 - 16 October 2026

Monday 12 October 2026:

- 10:00 - 12:00 Arrival & Welcome (Drop-in)
- 13:00 – 15:00 Meeting with teamchairs and initial brainstorming
- 15:00 – 17:00 Groupwork

Tuesday 13 October 2026:

- 08:00 – 12:00 Technical visit at the biogas research laboratory facilities at the Department of Thematic Studies
- 13:00 – 15:00 Concept development
- 15:00 – 17:00 Groupwork

Wednesday 14 October 2026:

- 08:00 – 17:00 Technical visit to an industrial biogas plant

Thursday 15 October 2026:

- 08:00 – 17:00 Groupwork focusing on preparing the first pitch

Friday 16 October 2026:

- 09:00 – 12:00 First rough pitch presentations to the challenge provider.

- 12:00 – 12:45 After Action Review
- 13:00 - Conclusion of F2F week

END OF F2F WEEK

Week 3-4: 19 – 30 October 2026:

Week 3-4 Task:

- Working independently in groups to further hone the idea and incorporate the preliminary feedback from the challenge provider.
- 30 min check in between each group and respective teamcher – book time in communication with your teamcher.

Phase II: On practical implementation

Week 5: 2 – 6 November 2026

Week 5 task:

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

Thursday 5 November 2026

- 13:15 – 17:00 CET internal presentation and peer feedback

Phase III: Revision & final pitch

Week 6: 9 –13 November 2026:

Task week 6:

- 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 12 November 2026

- Submit your final written proposal to the provider.
- **Deadline 12 November 2026 at 12:00 CET.**
- 13:15 – 17:00 CET Pitch of the finalized idea to the challenge provider.