

Spatial dynamics and strategic planning in metropolitan areas – SPIMA



ESPON-ECTG Targeted analysis project
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Name Stakeholder city
Zürich



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Brief introduction of your city as a stakeholder in ESPON-SPIMA

Key challenges addressed in planning of the city?

- Growth
- Densification / Scarce land resources
- Sustainability
- Affordable housing

Why your city needs a metropolitan planning approach (MPA)?

- Preliminary remark: Informal (legally non binding) Regional Planning Concept exists for the Metropolitan Area Zürich (→ strategic vision for the metropolitan area)
- Spatial planning is responsibility of Cantons: will they use the “Metropolitan Planning Concept” as guideline for their planning?
- In the near future: legal framework for spatial planning on metropolitan level not realistic in Switzerland

BUT

- MPA = precondition for metropolitan development in all important policy areas (mobility, infrastructure, economy, society, etc.)
- Identify common needs in border areas
- Coordinate preparation and decision making of spatial plans



Key expectations from the SPIMA project

- Best practices
 - Tools and approaches
 - Specific solutions
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Who and what will benefit most from a metropolitan planning approach?

- Society and Economy, Environment, Infrastructures
→ The Metropolitan Area as a whole