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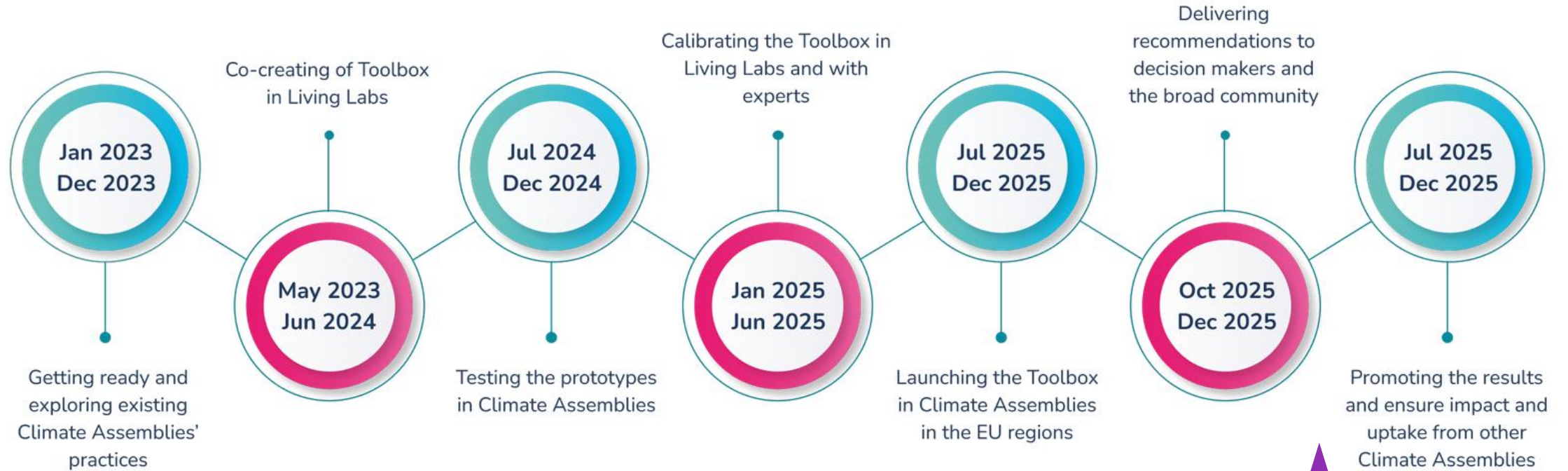
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What is a citizens' assembly

A mechanism of deliberative democracy, bringing together a diverse and representative sample of the population to deliberate and elaborate well informed recommendations for policy making decisions.



Equal opportunities.
Participants selected through a civic lottery process



**Diversity and i
representativeness.**
Stratification criteria



In-depth analysis. Work with
experts and “witnesses”



Deliberation. A group of citizens
working on solutions through
multiple meetings

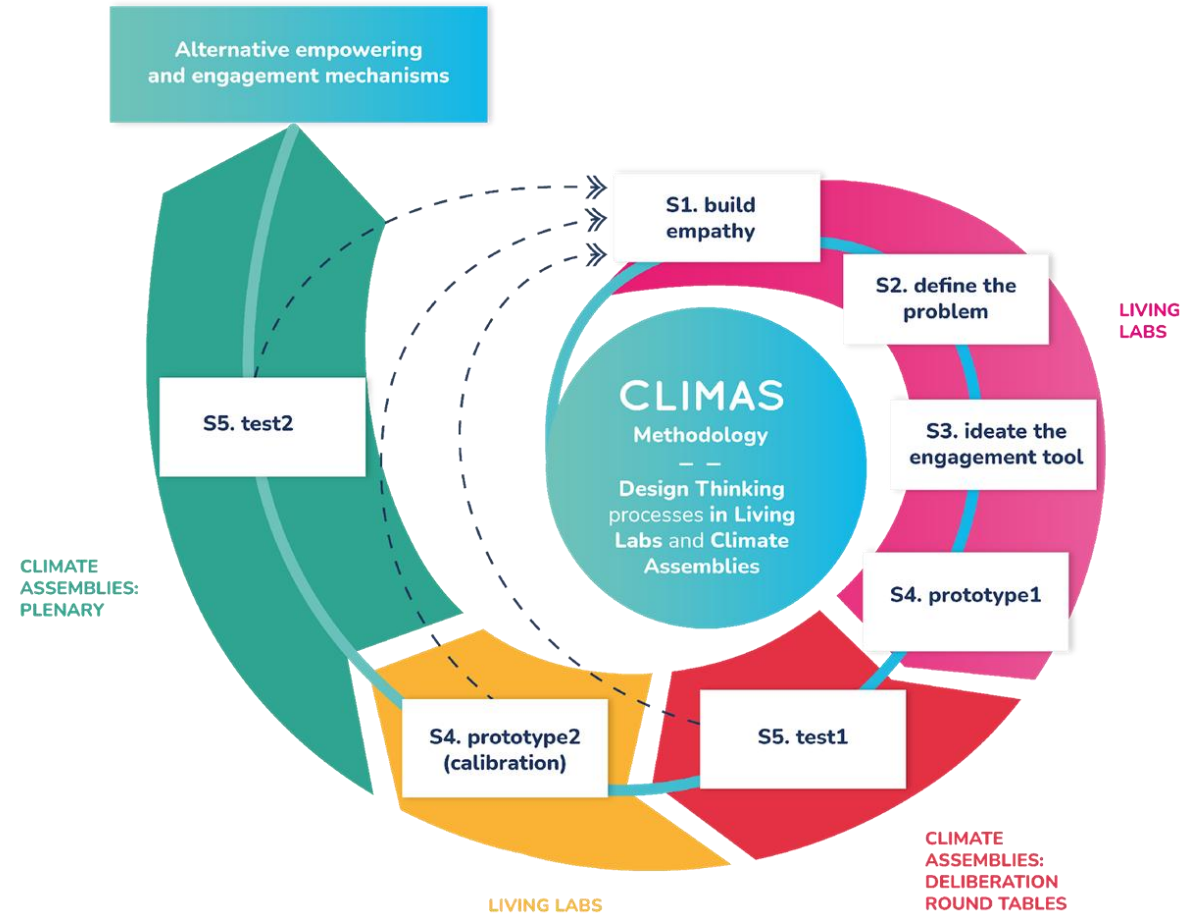


Inclusiveness and services.
Making participation more
inclusive



**Well informed
recommendations and
consensus.**
For decision-making

Design Thinking and Value-Based approach



Stakeholder Engagement

- Climas has involved **broad target groups** in co-creating tools from early phases to final testing.

From as many communities as possible across several **EU regions**, regardless of **physical, cognitive, sensorial conditions, socio-economic or education levels**



Entrepreneurs



Policy-makers



Social Partners



Citizens



Civil society



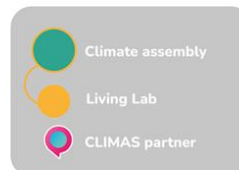
Academics



Experts

Vision

- by empowering citizens through an innovative toolbox
- by delivering insights and recommendations to support the policymaking process

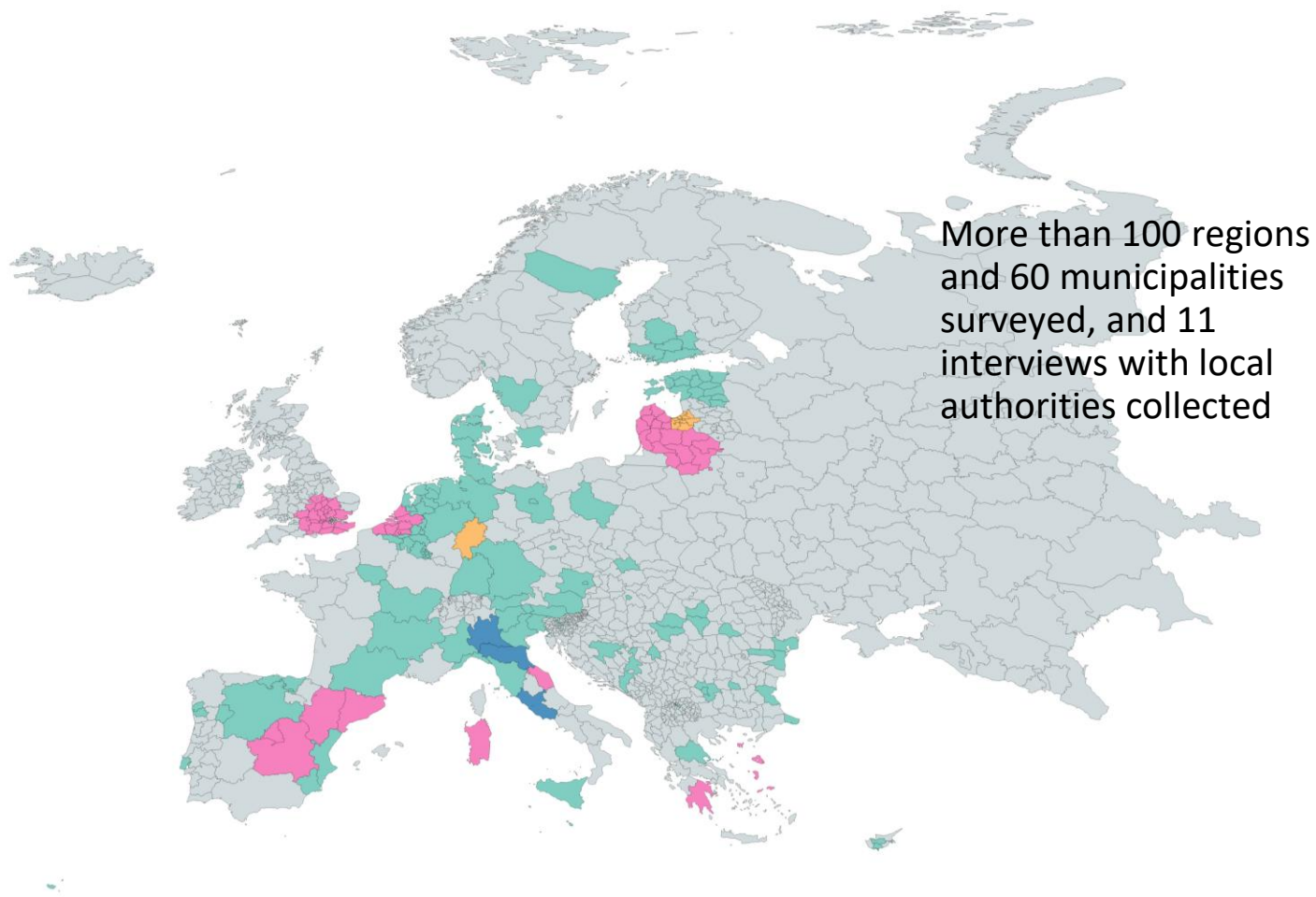


Biogeographical regions of Europe

- Arctic
- Boreal
- Atlantic
- Continental
- Alpine
- Pannonian
- Mediterranean
- Macaronesian
- Steppic
- Black Sea
- Anatolian

CLIMAS Regions

-  Public Events organised by CLIMAS
-  CLIMAS Partners
-  Regions of Climate Assemblies and Living Labs
-  Regions surveyed



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From citizen deliberation to recommendations

“The right to participate in climate decision-making has been reaffirmed as a human right through the Action Climate Empowerment UNFCCC agenda. CAs are doing incredible work to hold local and national authorities accountable to focus their commitments on the needs of the citizens.”

Flordea Di Ciommo – CambiaMO Project Scientific Coordinator

Citizens' recommendations

Three forms of getting in the climate change policies

1. Political incidence
2. Advocacy
3. Climate Assemblies through a bottom-up process of recommendations definition: Information, individual and collective empowerment, table of deliberation. In this context, the facilitation plays a key role.

Our value based methodology focuses on how defining political dilemmas and maximise policy impact

IMPACTS

- Social impact / Awareness and Trust
- Institutional Impact
- **Policy impact**

The first two can be raised with all kinds of participatory processes, the policy impact can only be obtained through Citizen Assemblies

FOCUS

- Ensure political commitment
- Define a specific task
- Identify political dilemmas: a mandate to address trade offs
- Effective and meaningful metrics
- Project in future scenarios

Overview of the Catalan CA – Regional level

6 weekends sessions

Nov 2023 – Feb 2024

Age: 17 to 75

100 participants

2 Ministries involved

Decentralised

Incentives and inclusivity

Professional Facilitation team

83% attendance

3 Focus areas

Climate Change

Agrifood system

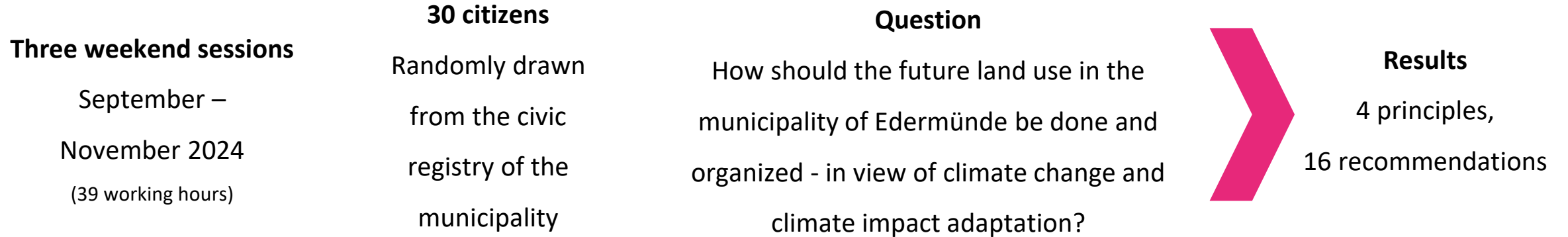
Energy Transition

Results

48 recommendations
for the Catalan
Government



Overview of the Edermünde CA – Rural community level





Overview of Riga CA – City level

5 weekends sessions

Sept 2024 – Nov 2024

Age: 17 to 75

35 participants

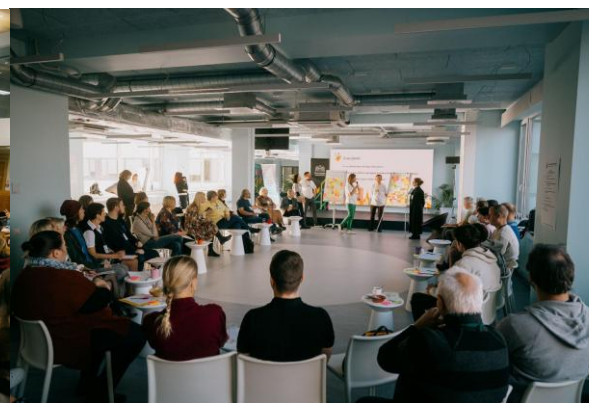
Representation of different levels of
education, occupation, political
affiliation and income,
95% of Attendance

4 Focus areas

Bringing biodiversity in the city
Rain waters
Heat islands
Access to green territories

Results

41 recommendations
for the Riga City Greening
Plan for 2027–2031



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Toolbox Access link

www.climas-project.eu/climas-toolbox-how-to-use-it

Open Toolbox
page with QR
code



LEARNING PHASE

CLIMAS KNOWLEDGE KIT

For those who want to feel out what CA's are and how they can be applied in climate adaptation

General overview of CA's for climate adaptation

Fact cards

Informational materials

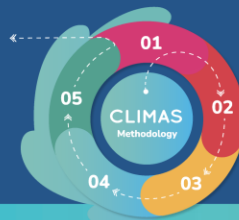


General overview of how the Toolbox was developed (CLIMAS approach)

Design Thinking methodology

05 Share broad and wide: ensure impact

04 Elaborate recommendations: involve citizens in policy-making processes



01 Get ready and explore: identify barriers and facilitators of citizen participation

02 Engage, empathise, empower: co-create the Toolbox

03 Test with end-users: test the Climate change citizens engagement Toolbox in Climate Assemblies

IMPLEMENTATION PHASE

CLIMAS IMPLEMENTATION PATH

For those who are interested to go deep / Decided to run a CA (OVERVIEW)

Pre-assembly / Foundation

Key Considerations:

- How do you define objectives for the assembly?
- What topics or issues should be prioritized?
- Who should be involved? (diversity, representation)
- What knowledge and evidence are needed?

Relevant CLIMAS Tools:

- Methodological Guidelines:** Provides best practices for planning.
- Multilingual Participation Guidelines:** Ensures inclusive engagement.
- Knowledge & Evidence Support Tool:** Helps select and prioritize relevant topics

During assembly / Deliberation

Key Considerations:

- How to facilitate effective and equitable discussion?
- How to build consensus?
- How to collect and prioritize scenarios/solutions?

Relevant CLIMAS Tools:

- Methodological Guidelines:** provides resources for inclusive facilitation and logistics during deliberation
- Scenario Building Tool**
- Scenario Prioritization Tool**
- Citizen Science Tool for Deliberation**
- Surveys**

After assembly / Monitoring and legacy

Key Considerations:

- How to monitor implementation of decisions?
- How to evaluate effectiveness and learn from the process?

Relevant CLIMAS Tools:

- Follow-up Tool:** Monitors implementation of adaptation measures.
- Evaluation Tool & Surveys:** Understand CA context, Assess impact and collect feedback.

Navigation map

CLIMAS TOOLBOX

TOOLBOX INFOGRAPHIC
Description of CLIMAS Tools + their supporting features on the platform



Multilingual Climate Assembly Portal

A Platform where users can explore existing participatory platforms and collect information to better navigate the Climate Assembly context and purposes.



CLIMAS Guidelines

The CLIMAS Guidelines provide insights on how to involve citizens in generating views of the future, gradually converging towards concrete descriptions of how to realise them, who shall be involved and what actions shall be taken to maximise the benefits.



Guidelines for Climate Assembly Setting-up & Facilitation

These guidelines focus on setting up and facilitating Climate Assemblies, addressing the organisational aspects pre-during, and after the deliberation process. It includes tips to engage local institutions, budgeting, selection of venues, training for facilitators, and much more.



KEBS Agenda Setting Tool

A user-friendly tool to select relevant topics, identify dilemmas, and generate questions to encapsulate knowledge that would benefit the Climate Assembly.



Scenario prioritisation tool MCA

This tool supports Climate Assemblies to quickly weight pros and cons of a selection of possible future scenarios, where different opinions need to be considered



CLIMAS Citizen Science deliberation tool

This tool helps to understand why, how and when to apply a Citizen Science in Climate Assemblies. It can be used for the initial identification of local issues, as a reality-check during the informative phase, enhancing knowledge uptake through bottom-up mechanisms, and for the monitoring of measures implemented after the deliberation.



Climate Assembly Monitoring & Evaluation Tool

This tool helps Assemblies to establish systematic monitoring of activities and outcomes. Moreover, it can support adaptation plans to be up-to-date and relevant to the Assembly's needs and priorities.



Recommendations

The CLIMAS Recommendations collect the experience, best practices and insights acquired while creating tools, organising and supporting CAs in Catalonia, Riga and Edmünde. They feature the benefits of deliberation and participatory democracy in practice.

SUPPORTING TOOLS



Citizen Science tools

Citizen Science is all about people getting involved in research that matters to their lives and communities. By observing, measuring, and sharing data about their environment, citizens help build valuable knowledge on climate change and its impacts. In Climate Assemblies, Citizen Science gives participants a hands-on way to explore local challenges, connect scientific evidence with lived experience, and co-create better, fairer solutions. It turns climate action into a shared effort where everyone can contribute, learn, and make a difference.



Tools from other projects

Across Europe, many projects are developing innovative tools to help citizens, experts, and policymakers work together on climate solutions. These tools range from digital platforms that support dialogue and decision-making, to methods that make participation more inclusive and transparent. By learning from and connecting with these initiatives, CLIMAS contributes to a growing Community of Practice—sharing knowledge, adapting proven approaches, and ensuring that citizen participation in climate action continues to evolve and improve across Europe.



Other tools

Here you can find useful tools developed by other projects which are useful to support Climate Assemblies. Check them out to learn more on these tools, you might be needing them in your Climate Assembly activities!



Welcome in the CLIMAS Toolbox access webpage

CLIMAS project offers an innovative climate adaptation Toolbox, the **Climate change Citizens Engagement Toolbox**, co-designed with stakeholders adopting a value-based approach, design thinking methods and inclusivity at heart. The ambition of the CLIMAS project is to support a transformation to climate resilience by offering an innovative problem-oriented climate adaptation toolbox, co-designed together with stakeholders by applying a value-based approach, design thinking methods and citizen science mechanisms. The CLIMAS Toolbox for Climate Assemblies design process has been developed following a structured design-thinking methodology.

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LEARNING PHASE

Explore the toolbox



Informational
Material

Fact Cards



Design Thinking Methodology

IMPLEMENTATION PHASE

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[Climate Assembly portal](#)



CLIMAS Methodological Guidelines for future scenario building

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[CLIMAS Methodological Guidelines](#)



Guidelines for Climate Assembly Setting-up & Facilitation



KEBS Assembly Setting Tool

CLIMAS Fact Cards



A **quick, visual guide to what Climate Assemblies are, why they matter, how they work, and the impact they can have.** These cards break down complex ideas into accessible, easy-to-digest sections that spark curiosity and understanding for anyone new to **deliberative democracy**.

These cards are perfect for **both local authorities and citizens**, encountering Climate Assemblies for the first time. The format is approachable and ideal for awareness-raising workshops or training sessions.

[Check out the CLIMAS Fact Cards](#)



Miro Board access link

Breakout room CLIMAS

https://miro.com/app/board/uXjVJyEx90E=

Thank you for your attention!