iCity

Linked Open Apps Ecosystem to open up innovation in smart cities

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The iCity project aims at promoting the co-creation of services of public interest by third parties (citizens, small and medium enterprises,university bodies...). Once these services are set up, they will be integrated to the public services provided by the city administration, therefore allowing the interested parties to operate and exploit the available public information, digital assets and infrastructures given by the administration itself.
This represents a shift in the governance of cities and in the concept upon which traditional public service delivery has been based.

ACTIONS

iCity wants to make a step forward on the concept of "virtual" public space, strictly connected to the "real" public space. Within the project, a shared technological platform will be activated to manage the public services that will be developed. Besides, a common web portal will be created for all the services, with methods and governance processes well defined to ensure the quality of such services and their response to the real needs of the citizens.
All this will be accompanied by a communication and dissemination strategy, including several local contests in every participant city, to introduce these new resources to the community and to progressively involve more and more citizens, enterprises and associations in the co-creation of the services .

WHERE

The project is coordinated by the Municipality of Barcelona. The four cities that will host the experimentation of these services are London, Genoa and Bologna, beside Barcelona of course.

EXPECTED OUTPUTS

The combined access to infrastructures, software and open data will allow it to develop a number of true "ecosystems" (on the pattern of the Living Labs) aimed at producing ICT innovation and at steamlining the creation of new services of public interest, that can be related to any area of the city life (mobility and trasports, environment, social and health services, leisure, culture, security, and so on).

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