



## RE-MAKING THE CITY

**INSPIRING CASES AND  
INNOVATIVE PRACTICES**

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**SUMMARY OF THE WEBTOOL  
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# Troubled urban development

- Due to the crisis the **public sector has lost the steering role in urban development**, both in power and in money.
- Urban development is dominated by **private interests**, there are **dead areas** in the city, **people are inactive**, not thinking at all what could be done differently.
- New ways have to be found how the **public sector can again steer** the development, for the sake of **public interests**.

# New ways to steer local development

- Instead of sitting in the office and writing reports new types of tools have to be used to involve stakeholders which are **not reacting any more to traditional tools of planning** (e.g. master plans).
- More flexible approaches are needed to assure integrated and inclusive development, based on opportunities given by **underused spaces** and by **people who can be involved**.
- Inspirational ideas can be gathered from **URBACT networks** and the **URBACT guide to innovative urban development cases**.

# URBACT project: Sub-urban

Re-making a densely built-in transitory part of the city, to avoid further densification of the historical part: Antwerp, Lageweg. Big challenges: privately owned (10 private owners), polluted areas... Jumping between topics: spatial idea, financing, legal issues...





# URBACT project: Refill

Create new empty places in the city as opportunity/space for experimentation about future activities: creative district, Ile de Nantes.



# URBACT project: 2nd Chance

Use an empty building to start the change in a monofunctional part of the city: Brussels, European quarter.



# The online web-tool

The tool includes **good practices of URBACT cities** in a logical order, illustrating innovative planning and city making examples according to two aspects:

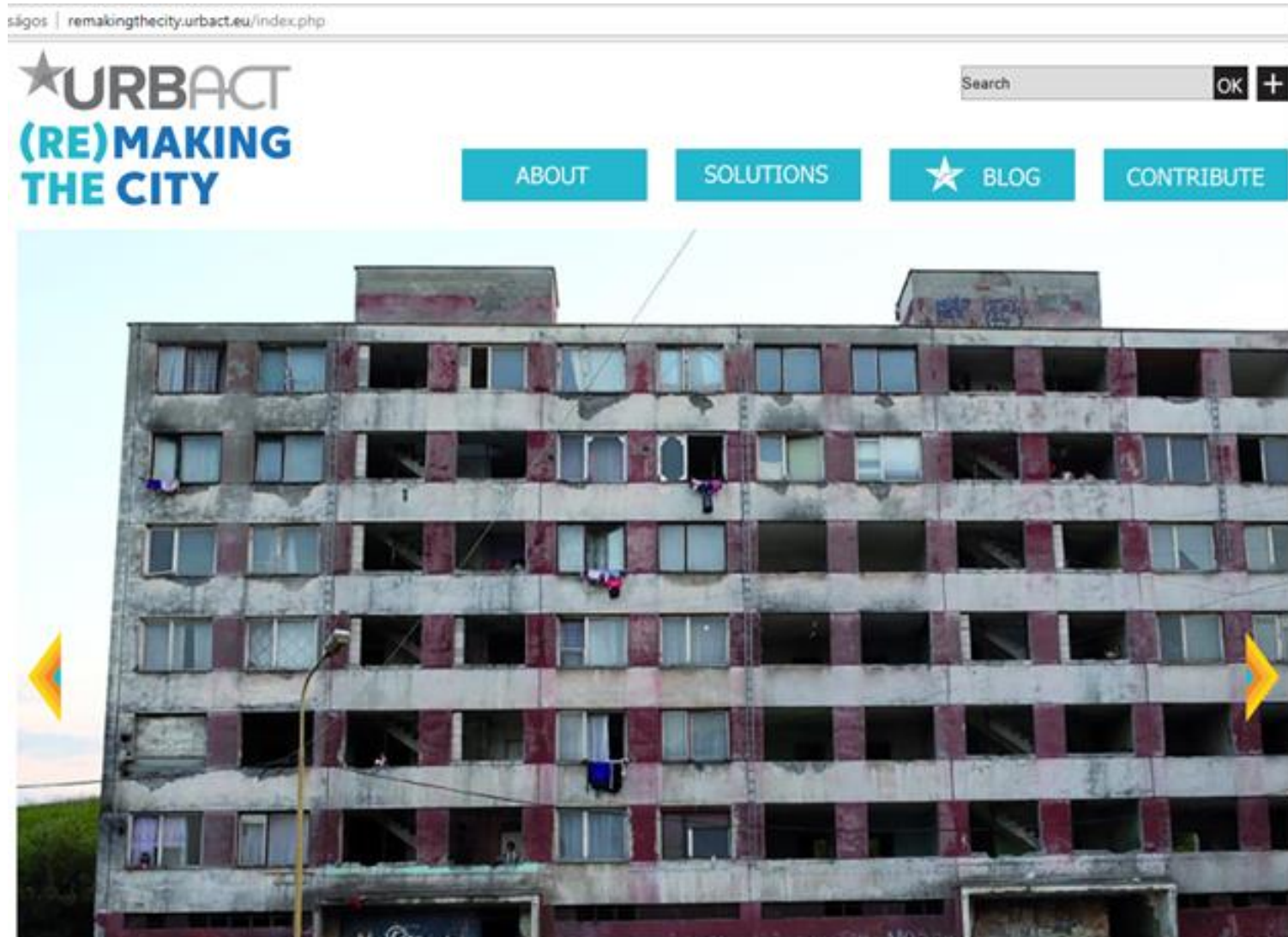
- new approaches to underused and/or problematic areas (**challenges**)
- new ways of planning: engaging stakeholders, experiment, ... (**tools**)

The webtool makes it easy to cities to identify Good Practices which are **close to their own challenges** and also learn about tools and procedures they can use.



# The online webtool

<http://remakingthecity.urbact.eu>





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