

# EDICITNET

#### **GLOSSARY**

### Edible Cities Network (EdiCitNet)

Innovation action funded by the European Commission. A network that enables knowledge sharing, aiming to systematically explore the wealth and diversity of existing ECS and to adapt, plan and implement successfully proven ECS in their specific urban contexts.

## Edible City Solutions (ECS)

Activities, measures, products and services that support and facilitate sustainable urban food production, distribution and consumption. Examples include urban farming, building-integrated agriculture, agroforestry, indoor and vertical farming, urban beekeeping, food surplus redistribution programmes, community kitchens, closed loop systems for sustainable resource management and urban food-related educational services. They empower local communities, contribute to climate protection, create new green businesses and jobs while generating local economic growth and fostering social cohesion.

#### **Living Labs (LL)**

Temporal spaces where cities test strategies and processes for anchoring ECS in order to make cities more sustainable, liveable and healthier places to live.

### Front-Runner Cities (FRC)

Cities that have their own LL and which will transfer their knowledge to the Follower Cities. They are supported by a highly interdisciplinary consortium of city authorities, SME, NGOs and academia.

#### Follower Cities (FC)

Cities that replicate ECS for the benefit of their inhabitants. They study and monitor implementation in diverse environments, ensuring global outreach with city partners based in different continents.

#### **City Teams**

City Teams are the backbone of the project, connecting citizens, SMEs, NGOs, and other relevant organisations in each FRC and FC to elaborate best solutions for everyone.

#### EdiCitNet Marketplace (ECS MP)

The EdiCitNet Marketplace is a multifunctional platform on the EdiCitNet website.

It is based on four main pillars:

Easy Access Strategy - low barriers for ECS to come on board, the more the better.

Brokerage & Interlinkage for networking - building regional & local clusters to help tackle very different aspects of the "local value chain".

Stewardship & Consultancy - thorough guidance and professional stewardship for concrete tailor-made support.

Club & Long-term Benefits - long-term benefits and knowledge exchange for producer and consumer.

The marketplace offers different benefits, in particular benefits that support ECS initiatives. This includes social entrepreneurs, SME, NGOs and other types of organizations.

#### **ECS Toolbox**

Multifunctional and interactive platform on the EdiCitNet website that serves to promote ECS design, planning and knowledge sharing among citizens, urban planners and other actors willing to get involved and to foster or create ECS and the edible city approach in general. It contains an online collection of ECS as well as information on performance assessment, implementation and users' experiences on different ECS.

#### **EdiCitNet Serious Game**

Virtual 3D environment that provides a tool to support the construction of urban planning projects and explore ECS under different scenarios with stakeholders. It simulates the impact and benefits of these ECS implementations.

#### Nature-Based Solutions (NBS)

Solutions that are inspired and supported by nature, which are costeffective, and that simultaneously provide environmental, social and economic benefits and help build resilience.



