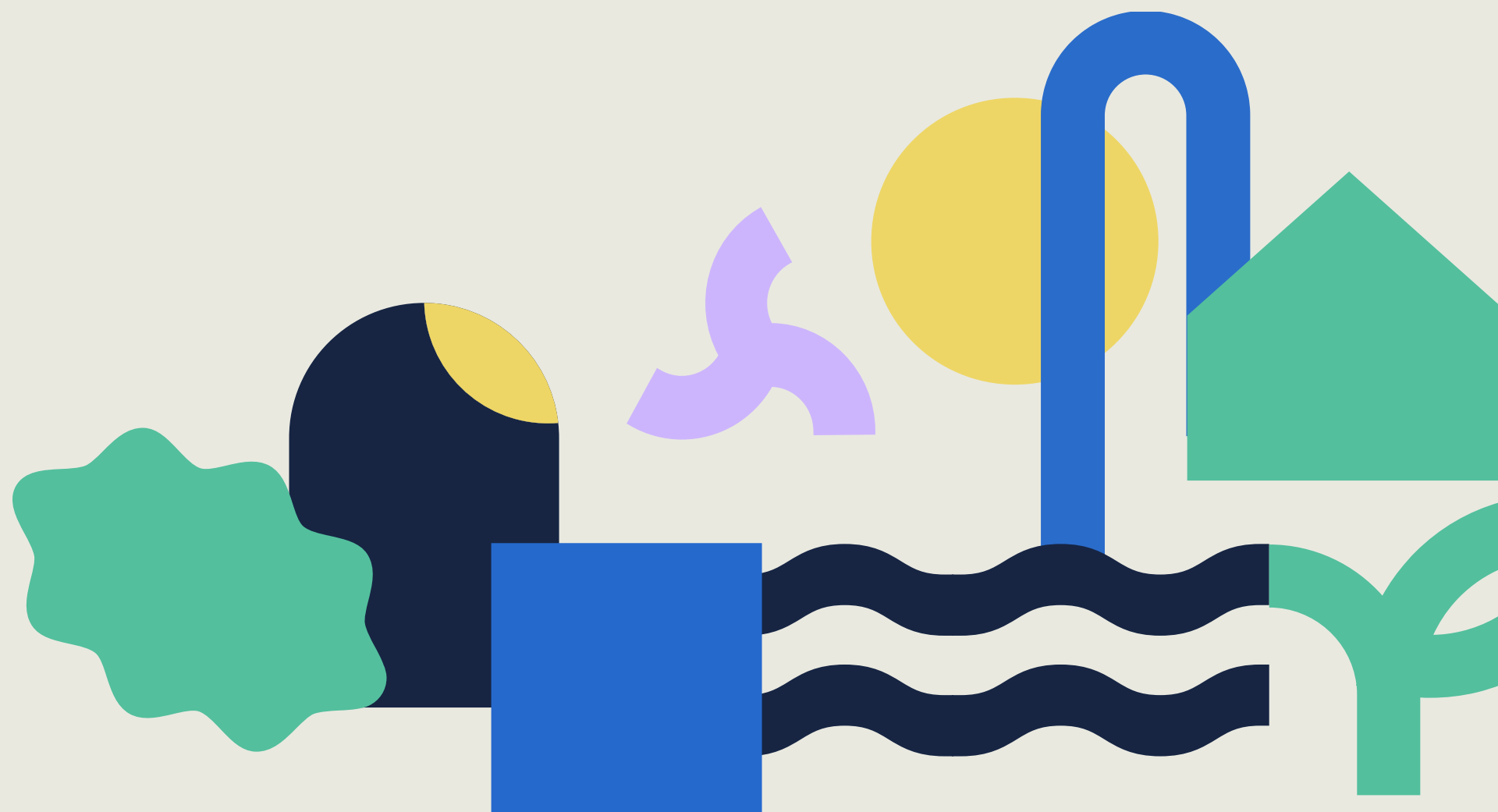




# Accelerating the Transition of Local Authorities through Support and Training





# Towards Climate-Neutral and Resilient Cities

AT LAST is on a mission to decarbonise the EU's energy system by building skills within European cities to achieve their climate goals.



# About AT LAST

**AT LAST** is an EU-funded project **that supports European cities in realizing their climate ambitions.**

The project supports **European medium and small-sized cities** in implementing Sustainable Energy and Climate Action Plans (SECAP).

AT LAST focuses on **bringing different sectors together and assisting local governments** in planning, financing, and carrying out their strategies to establish climate-neutral and resilient cities.



# The AT LAST development context

The **generation and consumption of energy** contribute **to over 75% of the European Union's greenhouse gas emissions**.

Therefore, it is crucial to **decarbonise the EU's energy infrastructure to meet the 2030 climate targets** and the long-term goal of carbon neutrality by 2050, as outlined in the EU Green Deal.

**Cities play a vital role in mitigating and adapting to climate change**. This is especially true in Europe, where approximately 74% of the population resides in urban areas.

Cities can significantly **contribute to the development and execution of climate change initiatives** because they serve as the nexus of local actions and national and international climate commitments.

# Why do we need AT LAST

Local authorities have responded to the climate policies and targets established at the EU level by formulating **climate plans**, often within the framework of the Global **Covenant of Mayors** for Energy and Climate (CoM).

Additionally, the European Commission has devised a series of missions to bolster the adoption of these policies.

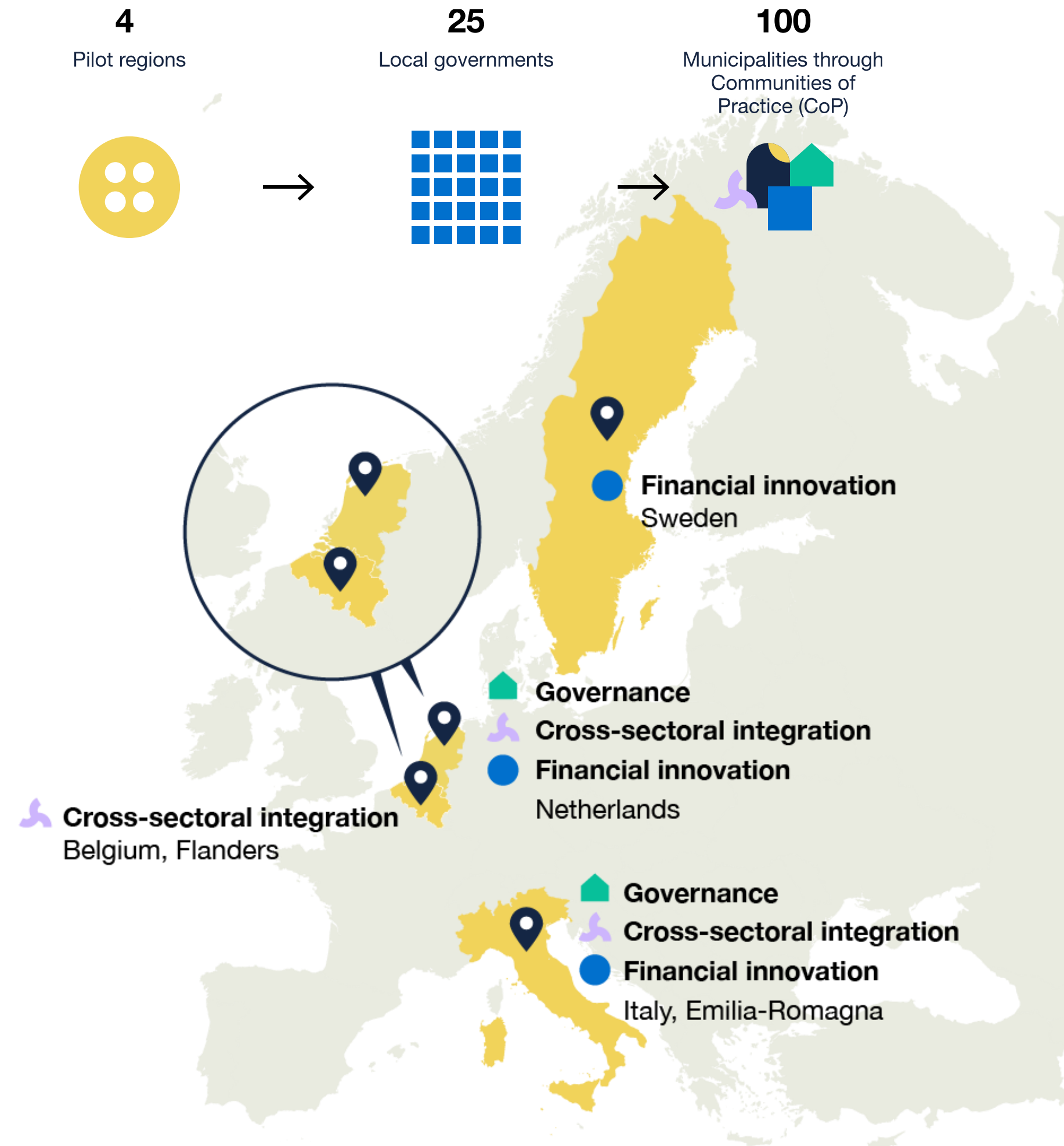
Nevertheless, **these efforts primarily benefit a limited number of frontrunners** – typically cities with populations exceeding 500,000 – and challenges persist.

**Medium-sized and smaller cities** encounter greater **difficulty implementing and monitoring Sustainable Energy and Climate Action Plans (SECAP)**. This is where **AT LAST will step in**, enhancing the capacities of local authorities.

# AT LAST Support and Training

AT LAST will build capacities in 25 local governments in four pilot networks in Italy, the Netherlands, Belgium, and Sweden, on how to plan and implement local energy and climate action strategies.

Additionally, the project will extend **networking and support opportunities to a hundred municipalities through Communities of Practice (CoP)** across Europe, bolstering their capabilities for future cycles of planning and implementation.



# AT LAST in Figures

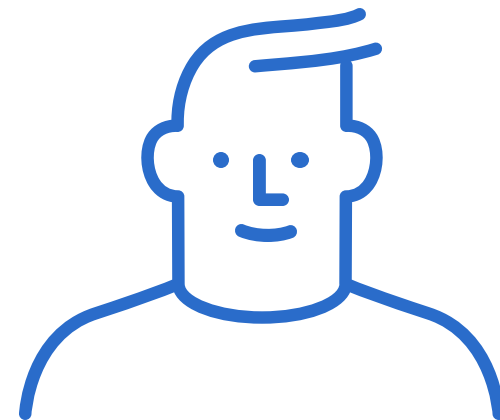
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Countries



6

Partners



30

Months



1,5(M€)

Budget





# Who is behind AT LAST



## **Project Coordinator, Italy**

Non-profit agency promoting planning and use of renewable energy



## **Leaders WP5 Pilots, The Netherlands**

Association of local and regional governments that supports policies on climate adaptation and mitigation



## **Leaders WP4 Training and WP6**

### **Communities of Practice, Belgium**

Research and training company supporting local authorities in the field of energy transition

# REVOLVE

## **Communication leaders, Spain**

Communication agency with a focus on climate and sustainability



## **Leaders WP3 Inventory of tools and best practices, Sweden**

International research institute focussing on environmental sustainability

# vvsq

## **Belgian pilot community leaders, Belgium**

Association of Flemish Cities and Municipalities





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