

# Spatial dynamics and strategic planning in metropolitan areas – SPIMA



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# Brief introduction of your city as a stakeholder in ESPON-SPIMA

## ■ Key challenges addressed in planning of the city?

- Institutional and organizational fragmentation
  - Too many municipalities (57 in the City of Prague, 515 in the Metropolitan Region)
  - City of Prague surrounded by one region
- The donut effect → urban sprawl-related issues (mobility, sustainability)
- Political uncertainty influencing decision-making on urban developments

## ■ Key expectations from the SPIMA project?

- Policy recommendations targeted for diverse actors
- Comparison of Prague with other European cities



# Why your city needs a metropolitan planning approach (MPA)?

Indicate key needs for MPA and explain why, for example:

- Overcome asymmetry between jurisdictions and develop a strategic vision for the metropolitan area
- Build (in)formal cooperation between different governance levels: local, regional, national authorities, core city and neighbouring municipalities
- Coordinate preparation and decision making of spatial plans
- Avoid overlapping strategies and duplicating documents
- Balance interests of the core city and the periphery
- Integrate sectoral policy issues in urban plans
- Provide understanding of complex interconnections

# Which key actors will benefit most from a metropolitan planning approach?

Indicate the relevant actors and explain why, for example:

- Citizens and community groups
- Public authorities
  - City Districts and surrounding municipalities
  - Municipal departments and city organizations
  - National and regional authorities
  - Decision makers and policy makers
- Private sector
- European Commission (Urban Agenda)