

# **About Her City**

Involving girls in urban development will make the city better for everyone. When consulted, girls plan and design with diversity and different needs in mind. Research shows that **participatory** processes are **key** for planning a city that works for everyone. If we let citizens that are rarely heard be the experts, our cities and communities will become more inclusive, equal and sustainable.

The purpose of the Her City initiative is to make methods and tools available to urban actors and cities globally. We support cities to scale up and mainstream **girls' participation in planning** as a part of their long-term strategies to build sustainable cities and societies.

Together with experts and stakeholders in urban development, we have created a toolbox with a cost-efficient process to be incorporated within cities and communities. The toolbox follows a unique process containing **9 building blocks** as a **digital guideline** on how to co-plan cities from a girl's perspective.

Girls and young women participate throughout the process as **experts**, and their unique knowledge of their neighbourhoods becomes a great asset for the entire municipality. Long term, Her City creates tomorrows equal, fossil free and sustainable cities.

Her City is a joint initiative by **Shared City Foundation** and **UN-Habitat** (the United Nations Human Settlements Programme). Her City is the result of the **Urban Girls Movement** launched in 2017 and the development of toolbox has was funded by Swedish public funds (2017-2022) as well as contributions from private sector.

### The toolbox



Support urban development from a girl's perspective



Guide urban actors to implement projects through a step-by-step methodology



Provide an open and digitally accessible platform for all



Facilitate an ongoing dialogue between professionals and citizens

## 9 flexible blocks

#### **ASSESSMENT**



Block 1

Stakeholder mapping



Block 2
City wide assessment



Site specific assessment

#### DESIGN



**Analysing challenges** 



Block 5

**Designing ideas** 



Block 6

**Recommendations for actions** 

#### **IMPLEMENTATION**



**Action plans** 



Block 8

**Sharing results** 



Implementation and follow-up



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