

Copenhagen City Data Exchange — A Cautionary Tale in Municipal Data Marketplaces

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Quality score: 29/100

Evidence strength: Descriptive / self-reported

Summary

Billed as the world's first city data marketplace, this Copenhagen-Hitachi platform launched in May 2016 with dozens of paid and open datasets, but was discontinued in 2018 after struggling to attract enough data providers and buyers to be financially self-sustaining.

Key dimensions

Dimension	Score
Evidence of impact / measured results	1/3
Transferability / demonstrated replication	1/3
Scalability	0/3
Sustainability / continuity	0/3
Innovation	2/3
Inclusiveness / equity	0/3
Multi-stakeholder collaboration	2/3

Evaluated by C-NAPSE

Data sources

[C-NAPSE web research](#) — accessed 2026-08-06

[City of Copenhagen, Capital Region of Denmark & Hitachi \(Hitachi Vantara\)](#) — accessed 2026-08-06

[Copenhagen Solutions Lab — City Data Exchange](#) — accessed 2026-08-06

[Cities Today — Cities want more from their data, including money](#) — accessed 2026-08-06

[The GovLab Data Collaboratives — Copenhagen's City Data Exchange case study](#) — accessed 2026-08-06

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