

Ghent's Commons Transition Plan — Mapping the City as a Partner to Its Commons

City Innovation Library · Good practice · Belgium

Quality score: 43/100

Evidence strength: Moderate

Summary

In 2016 Ghent commissioned Michel Bauwens and the P2P Foundation to map its grassroots 'commons' initiatives and recommend a shift from command-and-control to a partner-city role; mapping found 500+ active projects, but implementation follow-through is only partially documented.

Key dimensions

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

Evaluated by C-NAPSE

Data sources

[C-NAPSE web research](#) — accessed 2026-08-14

[City of Ghent / P2P Foundation](#) — accessed 2026-08-14

[City of Ghent — Commons Transition Plan \(official PDF\)](#) — accessed 2026-08-14

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