



*INVITATION TO A SPECIAL INTERNATIONAL OPPORTUNITY*

**City-University Partnerships:  
Best Practices in Urban Sustainability in Europe and the U.S.**

**January 25, 2011 8:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.**

First Floor Multipurpose Room, 1307 New York Avenue, NW, Washington, DC

**Y**ou are invited to the initial program of the Transatlantic Urban Partnership for Energy Efficiency convened by the Association of Public and Land-grant Universities, the Coalition of Urban Serving Universities and the Virginia Tech Energy Efficiency Partnership.

The Transatlantic Urban Partnership brings together cities, their partner universities and other interested parties from the United States and Europe to present and discuss best practices in urban sustainability. This session will feature sustainability efforts in Stockholm, Sweden, the Netherlands, and Lausanne, Switzerland as well as U.S. efforts in Philadelphia, Portland, and Washington, DC related to high performance buildings, smart grid and advanced urban transportation systems. This discussion will showcase the way these cities have successfully partnered with universities to promote energy efficiency and innovation in their respective regions. Speakers, who are still being confirmed, will include university presidents and high level university and municipal leaders.

This meeting is the first step towards developing a broader network that crosses the Atlantic and enables high-level learning and the exchange of technologies and practices across both continents in the area of urban sustainability. The future of sustainability is going to be shaped at the

metropolitan level. The degree to which we can link cities is integral to pushing innovation forward.

The event is free, but with limited seating, **registration is required**. Registrations will be accepted on a first come, first served basis at: [c-upregistration@aplu.org](mailto:c-upregistration@aplu.org).

Coffee, registration, and networking begin at 8:30 a.m. The formal program starts at 9:00 a.m. and runs to 1:00 pm. Lunch snack will be provided.

### **CONGRESSIONAL BRIEFING**

The Environmental and Energy Study Institute will conduct a related session from 3:30 to 5 p.m. on Capitol Hill in Room 2168 of the Rayburn House Office Building. Congressional staff is invited to this briefing, which is also open to the public. After an overview of the morning session by Virginia Tech President Charles Steger, representatives from the European partnerships will discuss energy efficiency projects and policies that are taking hold across Europe by saving taxpayers money, improving city services and quality of life, creating jobs and addressing pressing global environmental challenges. For more information, please visit [www.eesi.org](http://www.eesi.org). No reservation is required for the Hill briefing.

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