

SRIA 2.0 Process

This strategy was developed in a highly co-creative process, starting with and building upon the long-term vision that was requested by GPC, including the following steps (see Figure 1):

- The development of a position paper of the **Scientific Advisory Board** of JPI Urban Europe¹. Focus of the position paper was to propose a strategic reference on how to connect to the SDGs and other international policies and to provide recommendations for key elements of the SRIA.
- An **open consultation** to collect input and views of urban stakeholders on thematic priorities as well as on strategic elements addressed in the SAB position paper, related to the implementation of the research and innovation agenda, such as enhanced science-policy cooperation, capacity building in research and policy as well as benefits of and conditions for transnational and international cooperation. More than 80 responses were received from researchers, city administration, public bodies and business from across Europe and beyond.
- In addition, the **Urban Europe Research Alliance**, a network of European research organisations addressing urban research issues and supporting the implementation of the JPI Urban Europe SRIA, provided a consolidated response to the consultation².
- A **Stakeholder Dialogue** was organised to reflect and consolidate the consultation results towards key issues for the SRIA. Again, the Stakeholder Dialogue brought together urban stakeholders from most of the JPI Urban Europe partner countries, involving policy makers, researchers, city administration, city networks, societal actors and research funders.
- All this input was used to develop a SRIA concept which was not only discussed with the Scientific Advisory Board and the Governing Board but was also put forward for **national consultations**. This allowed to reflect the SRIA concept and its proposed priorities against national ones, to align the agenda with national, regional and municipal strategies and programmes and to mobilise urban actors. National feedback was received from 10 countries.
- Additional consultations were organized with the partnerships of the Urban Agenda for the EU. These partnerships address key issues for sustainable urban development and identified needs for action regarding better knowledge, better regulation and better funding. As several of these have elaborated joint action plans it was thought highly relevant to align the SRIA 2.0 with those actions and priorities. Thus, a consultation workshop was carried out with the **coordinators of the UAEU partnerships**.
- Finally, a **consultation with the European commission** was used to consider priorities of the various urban-related EC units under Horizon 2020 and to anticipate those of Horizon Europe with the ambition to ensure complementarity and well-structured interfaces in support of future cooperation.

¹ Reference SAB position paper

² Reference to UERA position paper

- All this input was consolidated and resulted in the SRIA 2.0 concept, its thematic priorities and implementation plan.

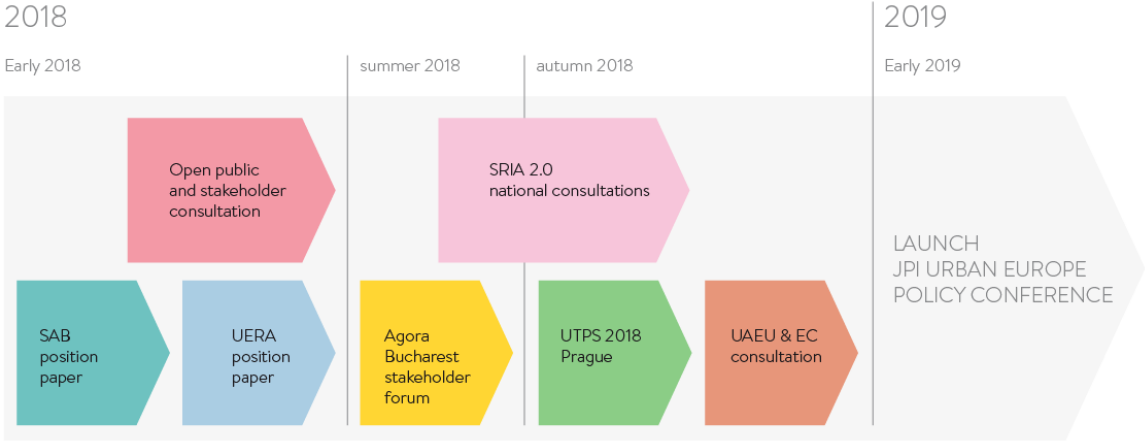


Figure 1: Key elements of the SRIA 2.0 process and timeline