



DUTCH STRATEGIC ADVISORY GROUP SMART CITIES

Major technical, social and economic changes are happening, the main driver being increasing urbanization. The need for sustainability is increasing and is forcing (larger) cities to look at their future in more effective “smarter” ways.

How can cities work together with industry and knowledge institutions to make the right choices and share (best) practices? Many cities, working with their direct stakeholders, are looking for direction, support and (cross-sectoral) coordination to make their city 'smart'. This requires broad-based agreements and guidelines that create confidence for investment and further innovation.

The Dutch Strategic Advisory Group for Smart Cities (NLSAG-SC) is a national partnership of key players dedicated to take on this challenge - in conference with international networks. The Group is coordinated by NEN, Netherlands Standardization Institute, with Strateq BV providing the independent chairperson. NLSAG-SC was founded in September 2014.

Purpose

Optimize cross sector interoperability and accessibility of infrastructure, systems and services as these relate to smart cities, in a multi-stakeholder process within national networks and in coordination this with European and global networks.

Mission

Support Dutch cities and urban areas, so processes and systems can operate more integrally, efficiently and effectively as an interconnected system. This will promote increased holistic functioning of the city - toward becoming smart and resilient.

Vision

To develop standards and agreements through quality and functional cooperation (internationally embedded) for smart and resilient cities which are capable of effectively and successfully responding to current and future challenges such as rapid urbanization, drastic climate change, increasing technical innovation, socio-economic change, as well as, changing ways of living, learning and working.