

# milano cambia aria

Assemblea Permanente  
dei Cittadini sul Clima



Parco Nord Milano



## THE SCENARIO

The City of Milan has long embarked on an important path towards decarbonisation and improvement of air quality. To achieve these ambitious goals, everyone's help is needed - all to facilitate the ecological transition through innovation while promoting changes in both the economy and society.

## SO WHAT'S MILAN'S PERMANENT CITIZENS ASSEMBLY ON CLIMATE ANYWAY?

The Assembly is a civic participation organism that's designed to accompany implementation of the City's Air and Climate Plan - right up to 2030. Participants are drawn from Milan's citizens, all of whom represent the city's population, that is to different proportions according to age, place of residence, gender, education, nationality and occupational status.

Indeed the Assembly accompanies implementation and evaluation of all the actions decided upon by the Municipality regarding climate and sustainability, with specific reference to those actions detailed by definition, execution and achievement. Here the Municipality of Milan undertakes to respond both promptly and carefully to every proposal emerging from the Assembly.

## WHO ARE THE PARTICIPANTS?

The Permanent Citizens Assembly on Climate comprises 90 citizens who are subject to periodic rotation. Each one is personally invited by the Municipality of Milan - both via surface mail and email. Anyone accepting that invitation gets involved then in the work of the Assembly for a period spanning six months. S/he's also provided both with training sessions and with materials on the topics under discussion.

## WHY A DRAW-BY-LOT SELECTION?

Important past and ongoing European and international experiences concerning civic participation have both shown that groups involving common citizens, whenever adequately informed and trained with the support of impartial experts, will typically prove themselves capable of making significant decisions for their communities.

For this reason, and to ensure a maximum plurality of voices and points of view on the issues debated, members of the group -namely 'the Assembly'- are selected by lot to ensure that the group that's eventually chosen is properly representative of the entire target population, i.e. that of the city of Milan.

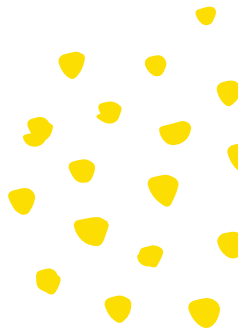
## HOW DOES THE ASSEMBLY WORK?

The Permanent Citizens Assembly on Climate convenes once every two months in a plenary session. At each meeting, which is led both by facilitators and by experts from different municipal offices, ensures that citizens offer their technical and scientific support as participants discuss recommendations and make suggestions regarding various actions and interventions foreseen by the City Air and Climate Plan. Between one plenary session and another, participants are invited to continue their work independently in small groups with a view to preparing the floor for the subsequent plenary session.

## HOW CAN ONE BE UPDATED ON THE ASSEMBLY?

Anyone interested in following the Assembly's proceedings and/or of keeping abreast of any deliberations and developments can consult the section dedicated to such updates in Milano Partecipa - the Milan Municipality's [digital platform for citizen e-participation](#).

**Milano Cambia Aria** is a Milan Municipality initiative that's designed to involve both citizens and other city players in promoting air quality and ecological transition while responding to the challenges posed by climate change



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