



## Szentendre City Local Government

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### **Letter of support to the proposed investment project: “Livable Cities”**

To whom it may concern,

I, the undersigned, Zsolt Fülöp, Mayor on behalf of Szentendre City Local Government would like to state our strong support and interest to the implementation of the investment project proposed in the investment concept titled: “Livable Cities”, developed within the scope of the European City Facility (EUCF).

The main goal of the Livable Cities investment project planned by three municipalities (Budapest Capital III. District - Óbuda-Békásmegyer Local Government, Budapest Capital IV. District - Újpest Local Government and Szentendre City Local Government) is to use the electricity and heat energy more efficiently and produce renewable energy as much as possible.

There are 16 investment packages developed within the project framework. As a result of these packages several residential buildings in Óbuda and Újpest will be renovated in a complex way including insulation, replacement of doors and windows and modernization of heating systems. In the majority of the residential buildings the heating systems will be partly or entirely based on renewable energy sources. Solar panels will be mounted on the top of all the residential buildings, institutions and service sectors taking part in the project. Three solar power plants are planned to be installed and the heating plant in Szentendre will be modernized.

The economic benefits will be directly realized by the building owners or renters and the public service providers.

Due to the decreased usage of fossil energy sources, the air quality in the region covered by the three municipalities will be improved, having a smaller and larger impact on the air quality in the larger Central-Hungary region. In addition, as a result of the project the emission of greenhouse gasses will be reduced in the region, having a favorable impact on the climate of our Planet.

Next steps in the process to implement the planned investment project are as follows: preparation and submission of proposals; search for financing opportunities; organization of stakeholder meetings; if funding sources are available, technical preparation and implementation of investments - most probably to be broken down into functional sub-units.

On behalf of Szentendre City Local Government, I hereby declare our willingness to participate in the EUCF capacity building events (e.g. matchmaking events, peer-to-peer learning, Communities of Practice, etc.) for municipalities, local authorities, local/regional public entities and metropolitan areas, and confirm our support to the implementation of the investment project to which the aforementioned investment concept has been developed within the EUCF framework.

Yours sincerely,

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*Signature and stamp*

Zsolt Fülöp  
Mayor