



CfP Closure and Registration Rate Change Inbound

We remind you that the Call for Proposals ends on **12 September**, so make sure to submit your ideas before the deadline! After **12 September**, we'll finalize the agenda as quickly as possible.

15 September, registration rates will transition to "event close (near to event)." Your registration matters because it helps us plan the space for invited industry stakeholders attending the thematic tracks, estimate the quantity of excellent Italian food, and, of course, order the limited editions of the SP2025 tour T-shirt. **Let's get signed up!**

After 12 September, late-organizing sessions are welcome but will have to fit into what is already designed.

[Call for Proposals](#)

Speaker Highlight – Andrew Fitzpatrick, Director of European Business Development, Brainbox AI



Since its official product launch in 2019, **BrainBox AI** is optimizing HVAC systems in over 15,000 commercial buildings across 21 countries worldwide. Its pioneering solution to make these systems greener, smarter, and more efficient drives its core mission to help save the planet with AI.

Some noteworthy corporate milestones include securing investments by ABB, the Quebec Government, and the Canadian Government, before a purchase by Trane Technologies (NYSE) in 2025 for integration into their service offering. BrainBox AI provides an interesting case-study of a company that merged innovation with a unique go-to-market strategy, fundraising and internationalization, for those working on the exploitation of project results. Additionally, it serves as a reminder that Canadian organizations can participate directly in Horizon Europe.

We welcome BrainBox AI as a Premium Event Sponsor and look forward to meeting Andrew at the event.

Patronage Partners



**Green
Building
Council
Italia**

We are proud to share that our initiative has received the patronage of GBC Italia (Green Building Council Italia).

GBC Italia plays a key role in advancing sustainability in the built environment. The association promotes a transformation of the Italian construction market through the adoption of third-party certification systems and its own protocols that set clear parameters for the design and construction of healthy, energy-efficient, and environmentally responsible buildings.

In particular, GBC Italia is committed to:

- Promoting and accelerating the spread of a sustainable building culture, guiding the transformation of the market
- Raising awareness among the public and institutions about the impact of building design and construction on citizens' quality of life
- Fostering dialogue and collaboration among stakeholders by creating a strong sustainable building community

This patronage represents an important step in promoting innovation and responsibility in the construction sector. It also provides valuable recognition that will allow GBC Italia to promote the event among its members and offer additional visibility and credibility, particularly within the real estate sector.

We look forward to welcoming GBC Italia at Sustainable Places 2025.

Premium Event Sponsor: Integrated Environmental Solutions



IES is an innovative company at the forefront of the development and application of powerful software simulation tools and consulting services for architects, engineers and others involved in the design, development and management of truly sustainable buildings. Its mission is to advance the sustainability of the world's buildings through the use of integrated building performance modelling technology which more intelligently and assuredly determines the measures required to mitigate climate change and conserve our natural resources for future generations.

IES has been a supporter of Sustainable Places since its inception and broadly participates in European Research as a thought leader toward a better built environment (smart cities, better buildings, smart grid, capacity building) and to use R&D projects to advance suite of software solutions in collaboration with European cities and researchers across the value chain.

IES will exhibit, participate in clustering workshops and participate in the thematic tracks on cities, smart buildings, energy communities and capacity building. It will also be organizing a series of demonstration and training sessions targeting three sets of stakeholders: 1) Municipalities planning the energy transition (supported by IES-ICL), Asset managers needing to respond to EPBD requirements (IES-LIVE) and building certification professionals (IESVE) with new features to earn credits in LEED-v5.

We look forward to this rich set of contributions at SP2025!

Open Research Europe Collection Advisors

Did you know you can publish at Sustainable Places? Yes you can.

Each year, SP organizes a Collection on **Open Research Europe**, the EU-established open access publishing venue for European Commission-funded researchers. This is a deliberate choice given the nature of our core audience and the support team and process at Open Research Europe is excellent. At the following links, one has access to the SP2024 and SP2023 Collection Editions (easy access and download) and the 2025 Collection is up and awaiting your paper contributions. Workshop results and conclusions are also welcome as a paper contribution.

We welcome and thank our SP2025 Open Research Europe Collection Advisors for SP2025.

What a great looking set of scientific professionals!



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Author & Presenter Instructions

For those starting to prepare, the **Author Instructions** gives a succinct set of instructions, guidelines and checklists on how to get it right.

Moderating a workshop? Presenting on-site? Virtual presenter? How to start the recording and streaming in the virtual platform? How to submit to Open Research Europe? We've got it covered in the author instructions to make it a pain-free event.

If you are moderating a workshop, make sure to point your speakers and contributors to them to facilitate your role at the event.

[Author instructions checklist](#)

SRI Thematic Track & Event Sponsorship: EU.BAC

In collaboration with Working Group #3 of the EU SRI Task Force, **we are proud to announce that eu.bac is sponsoring the SRI Thematic Track as an industry sponsor and SP2025 as Event Sponsor.**

The **European Building Automation and Controls Association (eu.bac)** represents Europe's leading manufacturers of building automation and control solutions that drive energy efficiency, system flexibility, and healthier indoor environments in both residential and non-residential buildings. By promoting smart, interoperable technologies, eu.bac supports Europe's decarbonisation and electrification goals while empowering consumers and industry alike. Together with its members, eu.bac has been a strong advocate of the Smart Readiness Indicator (SRI) from the outset, actively contributing expertise, feedback, and support throughout its development and testing phases.

Thank you eu.bac and we look forward to an excellent Thematic Track.



Auditorium Sessions: The Thematic Tracks

The **Smart Readiness Indicator** is one of the thematic tracks.

The entire series is as follows and each will be inviting industry professionals, local regional authorities and municipalities to join the dialogue with our research base at Sustainable Places.

	8th Wed	9th Thurs	10th Fri
Morning	Construction Innovation Ecosystems: OITBs and B4P Innovation Clusters	Smart Readiness Indicator	Sustainable Urban Design: Positive Energy Districts and Flexible Energy Communities
Afternoon	Data-Driven Smart, Inclusive & Sustainable Cities	Sustainable Data Centers	Capacity Building & Innovative Finance

● Clustering Workshops Preview

With apologies to the workshops still finalizing their contributions, below is a preview of those that have made it through all the gates clustered by topic area. **Well done!**

Although everything is not finished yet, it is already clear that once again SP will have a rich set of collaboration, dialogue and knowledge exchange between well over 100 EU projects. In parallel, presentations across a wide range of topics are made in paper sessions.

Click “SP25 Workshops” below to see the workshops and participating projects to date.

[SP25 Workshops](#)



Planning your stay

To make your stay easier, we have prepared a list of **recommended hotels** considering proximity, ease of public transport and value.

At the top of the list, you will find **three hotels** where we have negotiated **special discounts**, followed by additional options that are particularly convenient for reaching the venue. We have not listed apartment options which may be an attractive choice as well.

Milan has plenty to offer, so you may want to choose based on location, style, or personal preference, we hope this selection will help you plan your trip smoothly.

[SP25 Hotel List](#)

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