

URBAN DEVELOPMENT

Brussels is a small, yet relatively dense, city. Due to its international diplomatic role it has one of the highest concentrations of office space per inhabitant in the world. It is one of the objectives of the Commissioner's Office to accompany the deployment of international organisations in Brussels, ensuring their harmonious integration into the city's urban fabric.

To this effect, the Commissioner's Office is the single point of contact for all urban development projects involving or impacting international organisations, in order to ensure the needs of international organisations are taken into account in Brussels' urban development and mobility projects, and that the priorities and needs of the Brussels' Region are respected in development projects pursued by international organisations.

The Commissioner's Office also offers administrative guidance through Brussels' planning system to international organisations. We provide assistance in finding the right administrative contacts, following up on planning submissions, and requests and complaints to the relevant administrations.

The Commissioner's Office is particularly invested in accompanying the transformation of the European Quarter into a vibrant and attractive part of the city. Characterised by the highest concentration of international organisations in Brussels, the area has particular needs in terms of image, visibility and security. Through technical working groups involving Brussels' administrations and international organisations, we pursue public transportation and public space improvements for the area, and we work with the Brussels' cultural and tourism agencies to improve the general image of the area and its institutions in Brussels and abroad.