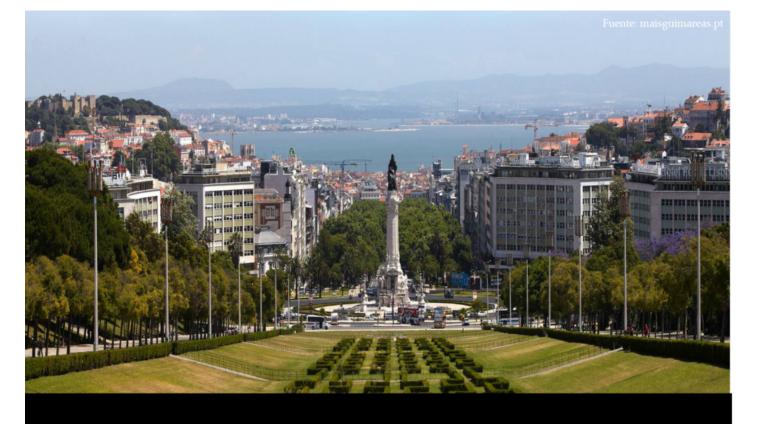
LISBON, EUROPEAN GREEN CAPITAL 2020

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LISBOA, CAPITAL VERDE EUROPEA 2020 La capital de Portugal se convierte en la ciudad europea de referencia en materia de sostenibilidad urbana para el próximo año.

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Lisbon will be the <u>next European green capital</u>, taking over from <u>Oslo</u> the capital of Portugal will be the one who makes visible during the next year which are the policies implemented and the changes generated in environmental matter. The award that <u>Vitoria-Gasteiz</u> held in 2012, today recognizes the capital lusa for <u>various advances in sustainability</u>. The following are particularly noteworthy:

- **Carbon Neutral by 2050:** Lisbon plans to be CO₂ neutral by 2050, and it is already on track. From 2012 to 2016, emissions were reduced by 42% and a reduction of 60% is estimated for 2030.
- Servitization of sustainable mobility: The city has a shared electric mobility service. Lisbon offers citizens and visitors cars, motorcycles and electric bicycles for shared use.
- **Efficient water management**: It is one of the most efficient cities in terms of water distribution. Losses have been reduced since 2005 by 16%. An innovative water recirculation system has been created to use water from treatment plants in parks and gardens.
- **Complete and expand the green infrastructure network**: Lisbon is connecting its parks and gardens through green infrastructure with the ecological corridor <u>Vale de Alcântara</u>. Corridor that plans to introduce biodiversity to the center of the city.

Like Lisbon, many other <u>cities in Europe</u>, and in the world, are examples to follow and ideas can be drawn from them to provide solutions to the different challenges that our cities face.

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