

# LYON Policy workshop 2

Deepening cross-country key challenges to scale up Collaborative housing. Examples of responses.

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# *Main cross-national blockers*

## **1. Access to land opportunities**



- High costs, competition, lack of specific conditions for CH for public land leases, difficult access to private land ...

## **2. Access to public funding**



- No public funding or only through social housing mechanism, no recognition of care/health services and others offered by CH.

## **3. Access to bank loans**



- Lack of knowledge and cultural resistance from bankers, no collective loans mechanisms, few public guarantees or microloans.

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### 4. Knowledge and stereotypes about CH



- Stereotype: Political, cultural niche, for people with cultural background, activism, contacts. Homogeneous groups (income-groups, white Europeans...).

### 5. Trained professionals

- Lack of local governments and professionals aware of CH (notaries, architects, bankers, insurance companies, craftspeople...).



### 6. Legal framework

- No legal recognition or application of the law ; no tax or funding benefits for CH compared to standard projects.



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### **7. Financing of shared spaces**



- In social housing and market housing this is not a usual cost. Difficulties to finance in self-managed projects, resistance to finance them in top-down projects.

### **8. Financing of process facilitation**



- No subsidies or public support for process facilitation in early phases for groups or between residents and institutional developers. Crucial to attract lower-income groups.

### **9. Excessive voluntary commitment**



- Lots of working hours, burnouts, people leaving groups, slow and tiring processes to build a community group.

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### **10. Building standards**



- Rigid standards which can limit collective ambitions (eco-materials, less cars, reuse water...).

### **11. Social housing rules**



- Allocation of homes to future tenants only when home is free, not possible during the conception phase.

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