

Member Cities of the Union of Baltic Cities

12th April 2022
Riga, Latvia

Invitation to the open meeting of the UBC Youthful Cities Commission

Dear members of the UBC network,

On behalf of the City of Riga it is my great pleasure to invite you to the open meeting of the UBC Youthful Cities Commission that will take place in Riga, Latvia, 18-20 May 2022.

After a long time of communicating only online, we are looking forward to meeting you in person in our beautiful and youthful city of Riga in order to exchange knowledge and practices, inspire each other and revitalize cooperation under the UBC Youthful Cities Commission umbrella.

The main focus of this year's meeting is to explore what a youth-friendly municipality is and how all our cities can become more youth-friendly, because, after all, youth potential is city potential.

Discussions and workshops will include such topics as:

- innovative participation forms of young people (showcasing experience story from European Youth Capital 2021 - Klaipeda);
- local communities as a tool for reaching out to youth (showcasing Riga's practices of street-based youth work and society-driven revitalisation of empty spaces);
- measuring social impact of youth work (this part of the programme will be featured by Latvian Youth Council that has just conducted a respective research together with their international partners).

In addition to that, we will discuss the future of the Youthful Cities Commission itself – its priorities, operations and cities’ involvement for the upcoming two years. This will provide a great opportunity to adopt the work of the Commission to the needs of your city.

Please find detailed information about registration and practicalities, as well as preliminary agenda attached.

Don’t hesitate to contact me for any further questions regarding the meeting:
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Yours sincerely,

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