

Programme outline (version as of 14 October 2019)

XV UBC General Conference Kaunas, Lithuania, 15-18 October 2019

„BUILDING AN INCLUSIVE AND RESIDENT-FOCUSED CITY. THE BALTIC WAY.“

Venue:

„Park Inn by Radisson“ Conference Centre, address: K. Donelaičio str. 27, Kaunas.

October 15, Tuesday

Arrival of participants

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| 13.30 – 17.00 | Registration open |
| 14.00 – 15.30 | Commissions' meetings |
| 15.30 – 18.00 | Interactive parallel workshops (including coffee breaks) <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Baltic Sea House – Inclusive society / Colorclouds & Langeark, Aarhus• Good practices in UBC cities / St. Petersburg, Sustainable Cities Commission• Fighting violent radicalisation with innovative policies, IT tools and education / Out of the Box• How to make vocational education more inclusive, accessible and attractive? / TF on Youth Employment and Well Being• Overcoming gender inequality in our society / WG on Gender Equality, Klaipėda• The value of the citizens' participation for cities governance, EmPaci Project / Klaipėda University• Youth for safer youth / Safe Cities Commission |
| 17.00 | UBC Executive Board meeting |
| 19.30 | Welcome dinner.
<i>Venue: Kaunas Picture Gallery (address: K. Donelaičio str. 16)</i> |

October 16, Wednesday

9.00 – 13.30

Registration open

9.30 – 12.00

Interactive parallel workshops (including coffee breaks)

- Culture as Catalyst for Cities` Development (Gdańsk Case) / Gdansk City Hall, Poland; UrbCulturalPlanning: open practical discussion on the methods of cultural planning / Danish Cultural Institute in Riga (address: V. Putvinskio g. 56, Kaunas Artists` House)
- Digitalisation empowering citizens participation / Elva, Kiel
- Engaging citizens to live climate friendly / Ducky
- Workshop on climate change and security risks - Local perspectives for solving climate change related security risks – joining forces to effectively work with Disaster Risk Reduction and Climate Change Adaptation // Safe & Sustainable Cities Commissions
- Promoting youth involvement in the city life / Out of the Box International
- STEAM – Science and Technology Path for Every Child and Youngster / TF on Youth Employment and Well Being
- Swedish Institute project funding opportunities for cooperation in the Baltic Sea Region. When, how & concrete examples / Swedish Institute

12.00 – 13.00

Mayors` lunch (*by personal invitation only*)

12.00 – 13.00

Lunch for participants (*at Conference centre*)

13.30 – 15.00

Plenary session 1 – **“Inclusive Cities”**: welcome speeches, main presentations

Mr. Per Bødker Andersen, President of UBC

Mr. Visvaldas Matijošaitis, Mayor of Kaunas

Mr. Saulius Skvernelis, Prime Minister of Republic of Lithuania

Mr. Linas Linkevičius, Minister of Foreign Affairs, Lithuania

Ms. Sirpa Paatero, Minister of Local Government and Ownership Steering, Finland

Mr. Gediminas Kaminskas, Youth representative, Kaunas

Mr. Markku Markkula, 1st Vice President of the Committee of the Regions

Mr. Bernd Hemingway, Deputy Director General, Council of the Baltic Sea States Secretariat

Mr. Per Schöldberg, MP, Swedish Parliament

Ms. Asta Avietė, Programme Manager of the Unit responsible for Estonia, Latvia and Lithuania, Directorate-General for Regional and Urban Policy, European Commission

Mr. Laurent Sens, Deputy Head of Unit for ESF for Lithuania, European Commission

- 15.00 – 15.30 Coffee break
- 15.30 – 17.00 Plenary session 2 – “**Culture as Catalyst for Cities’ Development**”: experiences of European Capitals of Culture

Ms. Virginija Vitkienė, Director, Kaunas 2022

Ms. Saara Malila, Director of Communication, the City of Turku, former Communications Manager, Turku2011 Foundation

Mr. Krzysztof Maj, General Director, European Capital of Culture Wrocław 2016

Mr. Fredrik Lindegren, Director of culture, the City of Umeå, former Artistic Director for Umeå2014

- 19.30 Dinner
Venue: Raudondvaris Manor

October 17, Thursday

- 9.30 – 12.00 Study visits
- 12.30 Lunch (*at Conference centre*)
- 14.00 General Assembly (including coffee break)

- Report on UBC Activities in the last two-year period
- Auditor’s report
- Board of Audit report
- Absolving the Presidium, Executive Board, Secretary
- Membership fees 2020-2021
- Executive Board in the next two-year period
- President and Vice-Presidents in the next two-year period
- Board of Audit in the next two-year period
- Secretariat in the next four-year period
- Adoption of resolution on Climate Change Adaptation and Civil Protection
- Venue of the XVI UBC General Conference in autumn 2021

- 15.30 Concluding Plenary Session

- 19.00 Dinner party

Venue: Žalgiris Arena restaurant „Sala“ (address: Karaliaus Mindaugo pr. 50)

October 18, Friday

Sightseeing tours

Departure