

Learning Cities Commission

Action Plan 2024

Background and objectives

UBC Board accepted the establishment of the Learning Cities Commission in its April 2022 meeting. During the first two years of working a new Commission has proved to be a significant tool in improving the joint collaboration and development activities of UBC cities in the field of education.

Main objectives of the Commission for the year 2024 will be as follows:

- Strengthen the UBC cooperation in the field of education
- Organizing workshops, webinars and study visits
- Planning and implementing second BSR Education Conference in Riga, Latvia
- Implementation of the GREEN Steam project (funded by Erasmus+)
- Planning of the new transnational projects (including a search for external funding) and other initiatives
- Collection and dissemination of good practices
- Deepening cooperation with the European Union Strategy for the Baltic Sea Region (EUSBSR) Policy Area Education (PA EDU)
- Cooperation with other networks, such as Flagship School to Work, StartNet and Exchanges for All
- Continuation of the work of the Advisory Board (the role of the Advisory Board is to support the Commission in its actions by offering national and theme-related expertise and recommendations)

Activities

- 2 Commission meetings and study visits
- 2 Advisory Board meetings
- 5-6 webinars (themes: Educational systems in BSR, STEAM, Basic Skills, Early school leaving, School segregation, Attractiveness of VET), estimation of participants in each webinar: 10-30 (altogether 60-100)
- Planning and implementing BSR Education Conference in Riga, Latvia (October)
- Continuing the implementation of the Green Steam project (funded by Erasmus+)
- Planning of the new transnational projects (including a search for external funding) and other initiatives
- Collection and dissemination of good practices
- Deepening cooperation with the European Union Strategy for the Baltic Sea Region (EUSBSR) Policy Area Education (PA EDU)
- Cooperation with other networks, such as Flagship School to Work, StartNet and Exchanges for All
- Reporting
- Planning of the year 2025

Schedule

January – June

- Planning and implementation of 2-3 webinars; estimation of participants in each webinar: 10-30
- Evaluation of the webinar results
- First Commission meeting and study visit in Tartu, Estonia (February or March)
- First Advisory Board meeting
- Continuing the implementation of the Green STEAM project
- Planning of the new transnational projects; including deepening cooperation with the European Union Strategy for the Baltic Sea Region (EUSBSR) Policy Area Education (PA EDU)

- Planning of the BSR Education Conference
- Collection and dissemination of the good practices
- Cooperation with other networks, for example, Flagship School to Work and StartNet

July – December

- Planning and implementation of 2-3 webinars; estimation of participants in each webinar: 10-30
- Evaluation of the webinar results
- Second Commission meeting and study visit
- Second Advisory Board meeting
- BSR Education Conference in Riga, Latvia (October)
- Continuing the implementation of the Green STEAM project
- Starting of the joint projects and planning of the new projects
- Collection and dissemination of the good practices
- Cooperation with other networks, for example, Flagship School to Work and StartNet
- Reporting
- Planning of the year 2025

Learning Cities Commission Budget 2024

Activity	Description	Sum (€)
Coordination	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - coordination, planning and implementation of the TF activities - evaluation and reporting - communication - financial issues - web-site development 	4.000
Webinar expenses (5-6)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - technical support - marketing - speakers 	1.000
Commission meetings and Study visit expenses	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - planning - marketing and materials - participant dinners - other services 	3.000
Travel	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - UBC and Commission meetings (Chair) - network meetings - conference speakers 	2.000
BSR Education Conference (if approved by the President)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - planning and implementation - location and services - speakers - marketing 	5.000
TOTAL		15.000