

## SAFE CITIES COMMISSION ACTION PLAN FOR PERIOD 2024

UBC Safe Cities Commission will continue the policy of activities from previous plan and involve new activities.

The main area of interest for the 2024 will be:

- To expand partnership and collaboration with organizations (including volunteers) which are responsible for safety promotion (including civil protection) in the cities,
- To continue cooperation with other organizations and institutions i.e. Council of the Baltic sea States (CBSS), European Forum for Urban Security (EFUS), other UBC Commissions,
- To disseminate knowledge about the safety of young people,
- To promote safety topics among community members using modern media and other coordinated activities in local communities of the Commission member cities;
- Prepare and participate in projects regarding safety issues,
- Continue to involve safety specialists from more fields regarding safety issues,
- Include climate change in the meeting agendas.

In 2024 UBC Safe Cities Commission plans to organize at least two meetings/seminars:

- May 2024 in Pori (Finland),
- October 2024 in Liepaja (Latvia) together with project Resilient Cities conference.

## Ongoing projects:

- VOALA Volunteers and Local Authorities Baltic Sea Region Network (Swedish Institute),
- BYFORES Baltic Youth for Resilient Society (CBSS Project Support Facility),
- PA SECURE KIDS Strengthening children's participation in civil protection and building resilient societies (EC CERV),
- RESILIENT CITIES Connecting Resilient Cities (EC CERV).

## Planned projects:

- Youth safety education (based on project "Youth for safer youth" outcomes, funding instrument unknown at the moment) together with UBC Brussels Antenna and UBC Youthful Cities Commission,
- CASCADE and CliMaLoc project follow up (possible funding source Interreg BSR Core projects) together with the both project consortiums (including UBC Sustainable Cities Commission),
- Baltic Sea Security education network (possible funding source Barents-Baltic Sea-Arctic funding instrument) together with Higher education institutions and practitioners of safety and security fields,
- Civil protection and resilience volunteers' network in the BSR (based on project "VOALA" and "BYFORES" outcomes, possible funding instrument Interreg).

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## **BUDGET 2024**

No	Expenditure	Amount in EUR
1	Commission's conferences in two cities (when and if possible)	6000
	(boarding, meeting venue, local transport, certain meal)	
2	Other expenses (postage, communication, promotional materials, participation in	4000
	conferences, miscellaneous)	
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	TOTAL	10000

Please provide the availability of funding (pre-funding) for the UBC Safe Cities Commission conference of project Resilient Cities (Liepaja, October 2024) on Crisis Communication.

The requested funding availability is 29 070 EUR (not all of it will be needed, because of possible project pre-funding).

After the project conclusion, the expenses will be reimbursed to the UBC by the project funder.

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