

# Youthful Cities Commission's activities in 2024



## Objectives of the Commission for 2024

- To promote good practice examples and foster innovative practices of the UBC member cities in the field of youth.
- To promote the work of the Commission and encourage UBC member cities to participate in it.
- To design the concept of UBC Youth Board and propose it to the Board.

## Accomplished by the Commission in 2024

- Erasmus+ (youth) networking and partnership building event for UBC member cities (10<sup>th</sup> January, online)
- Community of Practice online event on participatory budgeting within YUPAD project (1<sup>st</sup> February, online, in cooperation with UBC Brussels Antena)
- Meeting of the Commission (19<sup>th</sup> – 22<sup>nd</sup> March, Gdansk)

## Meeting in Gdansk (19<sup>th</sup> – 22<sup>nd</sup> March)

Topics covered:

- method of work and future strategy;
- UBC Youth Board;
- youth-focused UBC Bulletin;
- learning from each other about youth work practices.

Participants:

- 7 cities;
- 5 countries.



## **Planned by the Commission for the rest of 2024**

- Development of UBC Youth Board concept (in cooperation with other bodies of UBC)
- Preparation of youth-themed UBC bulletin's autumn issue (in cooperation with UBC Secretariat)
- Launching UBC Youth Opinions (online)
- Face-to-face Commission's meeting in October (dedicated to the topic of youth councils)
- Joining CBSS in development of BRAVE project proposal

# “BRAVE - Baltic Region Active Visionaries for Empowerment” (draft concept)

## Work lines / goals:

- Strengthening Community Resilience
- Facilitating Digitalisation in Non-Formal Education
- Promoting Youth Empowerment and Institutional Capacity Building
  - Empower young people in the Baltic Sea Region by providing them with essential skills and knowledge through a standardised qualification framework, fostering active citizenship and leadership among youth.
- Fostering Cross-Cultural Collaboration, Develop New Partnerships and Enhance Synergies
  - Strengthen collaboration and understanding among youth from different Baltic Sea Region countries, promoting cross-cultural exchange and cooperation to address shared challenges and create a more inclusive and sustainable future.
- Advancing Policy Alignment and Knowledge Exchange
  - Enhance alignment with regional policy agendas and promote knowledge exchange among youth organisations, policymakers, and stakeholders, ensuring that youth-led initiatives contribute effectively to regional priorities and policy-making processes.
- Enhancing Group Leading and Youth Advocacy

**Thank you for your attention!**

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