Programme outline 29.07.25

XVIII UBC General Conference

Słupsk/Dolina Charlotty, Poland, 4-7 November 2025

"Reinforcing UBC Member Cities' Role in EU Policymaking and Participation in EU Funded Projects"

Venue: Dolina Charlotty www.dolinacharlotty.pl

4 November 2025, Tuesday

Arrival of participants

14.30	Registration open
16.30 – 17.30	Meetings with UBC Commissions
17.30 – 19.00	Interactive parallel workshops • Shaping Future Support: UBC Task Force on Ukraine – Impact review and goal setting / UBC Brussels Antenna • Empowering Youth in Disaster Risk Reduction: The PA Secure Kids Initiative / UBC Safe Cities Commission • Urban sustainability arena for sharing success strategies and solutions / UBC Sustainable Cities Commission • Climate-Neutral & Regenerative Tourism – a strategic priority for cities / EUSBSR PA Tourism • Network of Liveable Cities - a journey towards future city making / Liveability Interreg BSR project
17.30 – 18.30	UBC Executive Board meeting (Board only)
20.00	Welcome dinner Venue: Dolina Charlotty

5 November 2025, Wednesday

9.30	Registration open
9.00 – 10.00	Coffee and tea
10.00 – 12.00	Interactive parallel workshops (including coffee break) • Urban Risks today and in the future. Urban Priorities in EU Policies / Nordic Urban Resilience Institute (NURI) • Facing the biggest challenges of education systems / Learning Cities Commission & Youthful Cities Commission

- Minecrafting resilient Cities: innovative YOUth-led policy process for sustainable Europe / UBC, MC-YOU Erasmus+ project
- Transforming Urban Mobility Across Europe - insights from the Decarbomile / Out of the box, UBC, Horizon project
- Pathways of transforming smaller harbours into inclusive Maritime Experience Points / UBC, MariEx Interreg project

12.00 – 14.00 Mayors' lunch (by personal invitations)

12.00 – 14.00 Lunch for the participants

14.00 – 15.00 Opening plenary session

Mantas Jurgutis, President of UBC (confirmed)
Krystyna Danilecka-Wojewódzka, Mayor of Słupsk (confirmed)
Marek Prawda, Vice-Minister of Foreign Affairs, Republic of Poland (tbc)
Magdalena Adamowicz, Member of the European Parliament (confirmed)
Mieczysław Struk, Marshal of Pomorskie Voivodeship (confirmed)
Gustav Lindström, Director General, Council of the Baltic Sea States (confirmed)
Themis Christophidou, Director General, DG Regio (invited)
Kata Tüttő, President of the Committee of the Regions (invited)
Burkhard Jung, President of Eurocities (invited)

Moderator: .....

15.00 – 15.30 Coffee break

15.30 – 17.00 2nd plenary session

'EU Funding and Advocacy: The Role of Cities in the Multiannual Financial Framework (MFF 2028-2035)'
Henrik Johansson, Environmental and project financial coordinator, Municipality of Växjö
Claire Roumet, Strategic Partnerships and coordination, Energy Cities
Justyna Pluta, Head of the Department of Fund Management, City of Słupsk
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19.30 - 23.00 Dinner
Venue: Dolina Charlotty

6 November 2025, Thursday

10.00 – 12.00 General Assembly (including coffee break)

- Opening by the President
- Auditor's report
- Board of Audit report
- Absolving the Presidium, Executive Board, Secretary
- Membership fees 2026-2027
- 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
- Venue of the XIX UBC General Conference in autumn 2027

12.00 Closing of the General Conference

12.00 – 13.00 Lunch

14.00 – 17.00	Visit to the Museum of Middle Pomerania, White & Red Granary, including Witkacy paintings exhibition and the Witches' Tower, https://muzeum.slupsk.pl/en/home-en/ Study visit to Viscon - innovative solutions in food production automation, https://www.viscongroup.pl/
19.00 – 00.00	Dinner Venue: Stara Pralnia, Lutosławskiego 22, Słupsk, https://www.starapralnia.pl/

7 November 2025, Friday

9.30 – 12.30	Study tour to ethnographic open-air museum in Swołowo, www.muzeum.swolowo.pl

Departures