

UNION OF THE BALTIC CITIES
88TH MEETING OF THE EXECUTIVE BOARD (ON-LINE)
30 November 2021, 11.00-14.00 CET

AGENDA as of 26.11.21

1. Opening of the meeting by UBC President and adoption of the agenda. Election of two persons who, together with the President, will check the minutes.

2. Application for membership from Rumia, Poland and Gatchina, Russia, attached.

Presentation of Rumia, Marcin Kurkowski, Secretary of the City of Rumia.

Presentation of Gatchina, Vitaly Filonenko, Mayor of the City of Gatchina.

Proposal:

The Board to approve applications for membership from Rumia and Gatchina.

3. Information from the Commissions/WG/TF on planned activities for 2022. (7 min each)

Cultural Cities, Chair of the Commission, Kaunas

Inclusive and Healthy Cities, Jannis Dammann, Chair of the Commission, Rostock

Planning Cities, Paulina Szewczyk, Chair of the Commission, Gdynia

Safe Cities, Kaspars Varpins, Chair of the Commission, Liepaja

Smart and Prospering Cities, Wolfgang Schmidt, Chair of the Commission, Kiel

Sustainable Cities, Agnieszka Ilola, Acting Head of SCC Secretariat, Turku

Youthful Cities, Dmitrijs Zverevs, Chair of the Commission, Riga

Gender Equality, Cecilia Wróbel, co-Chair, Kalmar

Youth Employment & Well-being, Matti Mäkelä, Chair, Turku

The Board to take note of the reports.

4. Proposal from the Task Force on Youth Employment & Well-being, Matti Mäkelä.

During the last two years Task Force on Youth Employment and Well-Being has concentrated on three themes (STEAM, Basic Skills and Attractiveness of the VET) and arranged eight events (workshops, seminars, conferences and meetings) with over 200 participants. A need to continue cooperation within these issues (especially STEAM, but also Basic Skills) has become evident. Task Force on Youth Employment and Well-Being would like to propose a discussion about its future, including the TF new tasks and status (merging with Youthful Cities Commission or establishing a new commission). More information is attached.

The Board to discuss the proposal.

5. Smile City project proposal, Rostock.

In September 2020 the City of Rostock was granted a huge financial support within the national programme SMART CITY made in Germany aimed to be a SMART model city for the wellbeing of its citizens. Rostock set up a special task force in order to concentrate strongly on this challenge which can use the allocated financial resources funding during seven years working under the brand SMILE CITY.

By the beginning of 2022 Rostock is planning to start a Baltic-wide debate on these themes and is inviting UBC to commonly develop this format and to make it accessible to all UBC member cities. More information about the project is attached.

Proposal:

The Board may decide to support SMILE CITY goes Baltic – an initiative of the City of Rostock.

6. Policy positions follow-up actions/initiatives in 2022, UBC Antenna in Brussels.
The background paper is attached.

7. Budget for 2022.

The Board to adopt the budget for 2022 (attached).

The Board to assign the Presidium to make a final decision on Commissions funding in 2022.

8. Next Executive Board meeting, spring 2022, the exact date to be determined depending on pandemic development.

9. Any other business.

The documents (attachments) are available at:

<https://ubc.net/document-categories/executive-board-meeting-documents/88th-executive-board-meeting-line-30-november>