

## **74<sup>th</sup> UBC EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING, ON THE EVE OF XIII GENERAL CONFERENCE**

**Gdynia, 27 October 2015**

### **MEMO**

The Board went through the programme of the XIII General Conference.

#### **27 October 2015**

##### **Meeting of the new UBC Commissions**

- Cultural Cities Commission
- Inclusive and Healthy Cities Commission
- Planning Cities Commission
- Safe Cities Commission
- Smart and Prospering Cities Commission
- Youthful Cities Commission
- Working Group on Gender Equality

#### **28 October 2015 Opening Session – welcome addresses**

- Per Bødker Andersen, President of UBC
- Wojciech Szczurek, Mayor of the City of Gdynia
- Mieczysław Struk, Marshal of the Pomorskie Voivodeship
- Dr Iwona Woicka-Żuławska – First Counsellor, Deputy Director of the Economic Cooperation Department, Ministry of Foreign Affairs

#### **Plenary Session 1**

- Pauliina Haijanen, Member of the Committee of the Regions, Head of Interregional group 'Baltic Sea Regions'
- Judit Törökné Rózsa, Head of Unit Competence Centre Inclusive Growth, Urban and Territorial Development, Directorate-General for Regional and Urban Policy
- Michael Berz, Unit Key Enabling Technologies, Digital manufacturing and Interoperability, Directorate-General for Internal Market, Industry, Entrepreneurship and SMEs
- Jean Peyrony, General Director of Mission Opérationnelle Transfrontalière (MOT), Executive Director of Conference of European Cross-border and Interregional City Networks (CECICN)
- Baltic Sea Youth, UBC Youthful Cities Commission

#### **Plenary Session 2 'Cities promoting and using smart solutions in practice'**

- Jyrki Myllyvirta, Mayor of the City of Lahti
- Raimond Tamm, Member of Tartu City Council, Board Member of Tartu Science Park
- Simonas Kairys, Vice-Mayor of the City of Kaunas
- Dr Andreas Schubert, Senior Expert Comprehensive Strategic Urban Development, Hanseatic City of Rostock

### **Plenary Session 3 'Examples of invented smart solutions making life easier in the urban areas'**

- Philippe Mariani, Head of Strategy and Development, Foundation Sophia Antipolis
- Inge Schröder, Managing Director, Wissenschaftszentrum Science Park, Kiel
- Aleksandra Dębska-Cenian, Head of Social Innovations Department, Pomeranian Science and Technology Park, Gdynia
- Stefan Uppman, Business Development Manager, Videum Science Park, Växjö

### **Plenary Session 4 'Report of the TF on Youth Employment & Well-being'**

- Matti Mäkela, Head of the Project Management Office, Education Division, City of Turku

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### **Joint working meeting of the UBC Commissions**

#### **Four Conference Workshops**

- Workshop 'Smart & attractive UBC city'  
Coordination: New UBC Commissions
- Workshop on Sustainable Urban Mobility  
Coordination: City of Gdynia, Roads and Green Areas Management
- Funding opportunities for cooperation projects across the borders – regional INTERREG V Programmes for the BSR 2014-2020  
Coordination: Programmes – Interreg BSR, South Baltic, Central Baltic, Botnia-Atlantica, Northern Periphery and Arctic
- UBC Communications Workshop

#### **General Assembly**

Report on UBC activities and renewal process, President Per Bødker Andersen

UBC Strategy

Discussion

Resolution on the refugees situation

Resolution on dumping sewage in the Baltic Sea

Auditor's Report

Board of Audit Report

Absolving the Presidium, Board, Secretary

Membership Fees 2016-2017

Proposal of amendment in the Statute

Executive Board in the next period

President and Vice-Presidents in the next period

Board of Audit in the next period

Secretariat in the next period

Auditor in the next period

Venue of the XIV UBC General Conference in Autumn 2017

The Board took note of the following candidatures to the UBC organs:

1. Executive Board

Denmark - Naestved  
Estonia - Elva  
Finland - Lahti  
Germany - Rostock  
Latvia - Liepāja  
Lithuania - Kaunas  
Norway - Kristiansand  
Poland - Gdynia  
Russia – St. Petersburg  
Sweden – Växjö

The Polish members of the UBC made a proposal that the city hosting the UBC Secretariat should have a seat in the Executive Board outside the national quota. The Executive Board recommended to the General Conference that the city hosting the Secretariat should be granted an observer status in the Executive Board.

2. President and three Vice-Presidents

Per Boedker Andersen, Deputy Mayor of Kolding - for the President  
Marie-Louise Rönmark, Chair of City Council, Umeå – for the 1st Vice President  
Jarkko Virtanen, Deputy Mayor of Turku – for the Vice President  
Ando Kiviberg, Mayor of Viljandi – for the Vice President

3. Board of Audit

Marta Chełkowska, Director of Tourism & Promotion Department, Pomorskie Voivodship  
Jukka Vilen, Director of City Office, Kemi  
Roger Kaliff, Chairman of the City Council, Kalmar

4. Host of the Secretariat - City of Gdańsk

5. Auditor - licensed auditing company Bilans from Gdańsk

6. Venue of the XIV UBC General Conference in Autumn 2017

City of Växjö, Sweden and City of Turku, Finland, submitted applications to host the General Conference in 2017. The General Conference shall elect the host city for 2017.

7. Two resolutions have been proposed for adoption at the General Conference: Resolution on the refugees situation in Europe and Resolution on dumping sewage in the Baltic Sea.