



Programme

URBACT City Festival

8-10 April 2025

Wrocław, Poland



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Tuesday, 8 April

16:00 - 18:00

Study visits

Open to all URBACT City Festival participants, the following study visits will take you to discover:

[Microgrants](#) (URBACT Good Practice)

[Wrocław Urban Farm](#) (URBACT Good Practice)

[Cultural Center Czasoprzestrzeń](#) (URBACT Good Practice)

[GreenPlace discovery](#) (URBACT Good Practice)

[Visits of the old town of Wrocław](#)

Participants will be asked to register to the study visits prior to the event. Only people registered to the visits will receive practical information about the meeting points.

19:00 - 22:00

Awards Ceremony of the 116 Good Practices

[Wrocław Congress Center](#)

The URBACT City Festival kicks-off in a fancy way with putting the 116 URBACT Good Practices in the spotlight.

Brought altogether for the first time, these URBACT Good Practices will receive the recognition they deserve for their integrated, participatory approach, positive impact at local level, and transfer potential to other European cities.

On the programme: high-level speeches, photo call, networking, finger food, drinks, live music.
Open to all participants of the URBACT City Festival

Dress code: cocktail



09:00 - 10:00

National networking around coffee

Start the day with an informal networking coffee amongst participants of the same country or speaking the same language. This networking per country/language will be facilitated by the respective National URBACT Points, who will explain what URBACT is, who's involved, and who will put you in touch with other European peers according to your needs and interests.

10:00 - 10:30

A snapshot of the 2025 URBACT City Festival

The URBACT City Festival kicks-off in a dynamic way! Find out what happens in the next two days, what are the 116 URBACT Good Practices about and how to get to know them. Understand the flow of the URBACT City Festival and don't miss a thing!

10:30 - 11:00

Launch of the URBACT Call for Transfer Networks

These networks aim to transfer URBACT Good Practices to other European cities from November 2025 to end of 2027. Learn what the Transfer Networks are about, how they work, who is concerned, and what are the important dates to pin to your calendar.

11:00 - 12:30

Good Practices marketplace

Discover the URBACT Good Practices in a speed networking mode. Every 20 minutes you'll have to move from a practice to another. Good Practice representatives will first briefly present their practice before you ask them any questions. Do you want to take your time and connect more with a specific Good Practice? Then, book a bilateral meeting for the afternoon's and next day's marketplaces!

12:30 - 14:00

Lunch break

14:00 - 15:30

Good Practices marketplace

Discover the URBACT Good Practices in more details. Make sure you have booked a meeting in the morning marketplace

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Parallel Sessions

Thematic Discovery of URBACT Good Practices

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18:00 - 19:30

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Departure Point - Centennial Hall

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Session 1



Ola's Room

14:00-14:30

Co-design of local strategies I

Study for urban model revision
Barcelona Metropolitan Area, Spain

Urban renewal programmes for neighbourhoods - Ghent, Belgium

Transitional urban planning: Etape 22D
Lyon, France

Strategic planning for vast areas
Rimini, Italy

Collaborative integrated urban development - Villach, Austria

Session 2



Antoni's Room

14:00-14:30

Energy efficiency

Low emission schools
Bucharest, Romania

Local energy community
Caldes de Montbui, Spain

Energy poverty intelligence unit
Getafe, Spain

Solar school energy community
Hrastnik, Slovenia

Solar energy in public buildings
Karlovac, Croatia

Session 3

Plenary

14:00-14:30

Green urban regeneration I

Canal open space plan
Brussels, Belgium

Biodiverse ComplexCity
Budapest, Hungary

Greening and innovating logistics in a historic centre - Lucca, Italy

Wildflower cities - Veszprém, Hungary

City embraces waste
Viana do Castelo, Portugal

Session 4



Joanna's Room

14:00-14:30

Inclusive cities I

Làbora innovative employability programme - Barcelona, Spain

Play With Me - Ljubljana, Slovenia

Social inclusion of disadvantaged groups
Satu Mare County Intercommunity Development Association, Romania

SAME Festival celebrating equality
Schaerbeek, Belgium

Olympics4all: Communities for active ageing - Vila Nova de Cerveira, Portugal

Session 5



Julia's Room

14:00-14:30

Local economy I

Sustainable tourism destination
Baião, Portugal

Refabrication: Invention of a city centre
Flöha, Germany

Restart: an integrated strategy for attracting residents
Idanha-a-Nova, Portugal

Local employment forum
Nyíregyháza, Hungary

Session 6



Agnieszka's Room

14:00-14:30

Mobility - accessibility I

Wheels of change: cAIRgo Bike for clean air
Brussels, Belgium

Ride and buy app for slow mobility
Hannut, Belgium

Stars Zaragoza project for active mobility
Zaragoza, Spain

Bike to work challenge
Eurometropolis Strasbourg, France

Bike to work - Faenza, Italy

Session 7



Ola's Room

15:00-15:30

Co-design of local strategies II

C-City: a circular city - Genoa, Italy

Sustainable and integrated territorial development strategy
Leskovac, Serbia

Participatory city strategy
Lublin, Poland

Open and shared city
Oulu, Finland

Sustainability governance model
Tallinn, Estonia

Session 8



Antoni's Room

15:00-15:30

Water management

River restoration project - Águeda, Portugal

Lake contract for protecting and valorising water resources - Borgomanero, Italy

Transforming wastewater basins into a biodiversity hotspot - Ormož, Slovenia

Natural water retention measures for climate resilience
Püspökszilágy, Hungary

Keeping local waters clean
The Hague, Netherlands

Session 9

Plenary

15:00-15:30

Green urban regeneration II

Mainstreaming ecosystem services and biodiversity
Cluj Metropolitan Area, Romania

Reinventing the fringe
Düsseldorf, Germany

Green and blue city transformation
Ostrów Wielkopolski, Poland

Urban forest optimisation
Perugia, Italy

Session 10



Joanna's Room

15:00-15:30

Inclusive cities II

Urban sensory garden
City of Sarajevo, Bosnia and Herzegovina

Living together board - Fuenlabrada, Spain

Intermunicipal victim support network
Intermunicipal Community of Tâmega e Sousa, Portugal

Local humanitarian corridors
Reggio Emilia, Italy

The Path of the Senses
Tavernes de la Vallidigna, Spain

Healthy and active elderly programme
Torres Vedras, Portugal

Session 11



Julia's Room

15:00-15:30

Local economy II

Innovation-friendly city
Fundão, Portugal

Centralised procurement
Kavala, Greece

Tools for sustainable business transformation
Lyon, France

Halle 2: The municipal second-hand shop
Munich, Germany

Session 12



Agnieszka's Room

15:00-15:30

Mobility - accessibility II

SIT FLEXI Demand responsive transport solution
Intermunicipal Community of Coimbra Region, Portugal

Comings and goings: on-demand mobility for isolated rural areas
Intermunicipal Community of Viseu Dão Lafões, Portugal

Accessible city for all
Komotini, Greece

Session 13



Ola's Room

16:00-16:30

Culture & arts

Theatre for all - Alessandria, Italy

Local youth as agents of culture
Cartagena, SpainMinority language renewal through
innovation - Dublin, Ireland

Cultural reactivities - Murcia, Spain

Fortress of culture - Šibenik, Croatia

Revitalised tram depot as a vibrant
cultural centre - Wrocław, Poland

Session 14



Antoni's Room

16:00-16:30

Climate action with citizens I

Climate taskforce
Copenhagen, DenmarkSustainable community (sub)urban
greenspaces
Limerick, IrelandA model for active citizenship
and sustainable development: Účka
Usti nad Labem, CzechiaClimate neutral communities
Vilnius, Lithuania

Session 15

Plenary

16:00-16:30

Green urban regeneration III

City Forest - Celje, Slovenia

Green spaces for leisure and community,
Fót, HungaryParticipatory transformation
of abandoned areas
Igualada, SpainRepurposing heritage for citizens
Onda, SpainParticipatory urban park project
Rouen Normandie Metropolis, France

Session 16



Joanna's Room

16:00-16:30

Housing

Tool for monitoring housing
Garges-lès-Gonesse, FranceSmart design for increased security
and a city for all - Gothenburg, SwedenFramework for co-ownership of housing
Public Land Establishment of Ile-de-France

Housing investigation Schaerbeek, Belgium

Public space revival Trnava, Slovak
RepublicThe property developers' competition
Vienna, Austria

Session 17



Julia's Room

16:00-16:30

Youth

Youth participatory budget
Cascais, PortugalCom'ON: participatory budgeting for youth
Cluj-Napoca, RomaniaYouth spaces network
Lublin, PolandParticipatory youth budget
Valongo, Portugal

Session 18



Agnieszka's Room

16:00-16:30

Social innovation I

Climate adaptation fund
Cascais, PortugalUrban community development Näsby
Kristianstad, SwedenExperimentation as a tool for cooperation
Saldus, LatviaCommunity-inclusive public procurement
Tartu Vald, EstoniaMicrogrants
Wrocław, Poland

Session 19



Ola's Room

17:00-17:30

Education

Reducing the gender gap in STEAM
Esplugues de Llobregat, SpainCapacity building for third-country
nationals Fundão, Portugal

Sustainability master plan - Gátova, Spain

Education for sustainable development
Munich, GermanyCo-carbon tree measurement
Viladecans, SpainNew opportunities school
Viladecans, Spain

Session 20



Antoni's Room

17:00-17:30

Climate action with citizens II

Citizens' initiatives for urban development
Alytus, LithuaniaCraft Lab - Casas e Lugares do Sentir
Fundão, PortugalNight at the market
Mértola, PortugalWe Create Space: revitalisation
of public space
Ostrava, Czechia

Session 21

Plenary

17:00-17:30

Food

Green commerce markets for sustainable
urban food systems - Barcelona, SpainSustainable food education centre
Mouans-Sartoux, FranceFrom food to sustainability
Oeiras, PortugalLocal food network strategy
Tartu, EstoniaSustainable food school programme
Torres Vedras, Portugal

Urban farm - Wrocław, Poland

Session 22



Joanna's Room

17:00-17:30

Placemaking

Temporary use of spaces
Celje, SloveniaPlaysMaking
Cork, IrelandCitywide tactical urbanism
programme
Milan, ItalySmart village strategy
Vila Boa do Bispo, Portugal

Session 23



Julia's Room

17:00-17:30

Youth and entrepreneurship

Entrepreneurship+ Academy
Albergaria-a-Velha, PortugalSEED: creating young entrepreneurs
Lisbon, PortugalEntrepreneurial kids
Lublin, Poland

Session 24



Agnieszka's Room

17:00-17:30

Social innovation II

Tech Hub - Amarante, Portugal

Human Power Hub - Braga, Portugal

Social innovation hub - Brindisi, Italy

Comon: an open collaboration lab
Ghent, BelgiumInitiative for innovative integrated
interventions
Miskolc, HungaryCommunity innovation hub
Roeselare, Belgium

08:00 - 09:00 Sport and social activities (optional)

- **5000 steps challenge** - a one hour walk (4km) in the Szczytnicki Park. **Meeting point:** Main entrance of the Centennial Hall.
- **Yoga flow** - a 45 min relaxing yoga flow (no sport attire needed). **Meeting point:** The Centennial Hall Plenary.
- **Let's play chess** - boards available for friendly matches. **Meeting point:** Catering area next to Joanna's room.

09:00 - 09:30 National networking around coffee

What did you think about the first day? Overwhelmed by the diversity of Good Practices and the amount of information? Do you have questions before you deep dive in day 2? Join your National URBACT Point and other people from your country or who speak your language to debrief and ask your questions.

09:30 - 10:00 Day 1 in Rewind - Day 2 in fast forward!

A short review of what happened the previous day and what's more to happen! Discover the sessions of the day make your choice.

10:00 - 12:30

Good Practices marketplace

Continue to connect with Good Practices on a bilateral basis.

10:00 - 10:45

Everything you need to know about Transfer Networks

Interested in taking a Good Practice back to your city? Find out how through the experience of past Transfer Networks.

Ola's room



Transfer Story from BeePathNet
Enriching the urban jungle with bees

Antoni's room



Transfer Story from Tech Revolution
How to maximise the job creation potential of digital

Joanna's room



Transfer Story from Making Spend Matter
Changing public procurement in cities

Plenary

Questions?
Get your answers for the Transfer Networks call

11:15 - 12:00

Everything you need to know about Transfer Networks

Ola's room



Transfer Story from BluAct
Starting up the blue economy

Antoni's room



Transfer Story from ACTIVE NGOs
A house for NGOs to involve citizens in local affairs

Joanna's room



Transfer Story from BioCanteens
School canteens with 100% organic and local products

Plenary

Questions?
Get your answers for the Transfer Networks call

12:30 - 14:00

Lunch break

14:00 - 15:00

Transfer solutions and challenges

Get immersed in open conversations with cities and representatives of different EU-funded programmes and initiatives like the European Urban Initiative (EUI), Net Zero Cities Twinning, International Urban and Regional Cooperation (IURC), and URBACT. Discover the transfer solutions they offer, discuss about the benefits of transfer at local level, and exchange on how to overcome common (transfer) challenges like securing political support, engaging stakeholders, coordinating resources, or developing key skills

15:15 - 16:00

Next URBACT opportunities to look forward to

The URBACT City Festival closes with looking forward to the future. Discover all the next funding, networking, capacity-building and learning opportunities, including the next URBACT City Festival, proposed by URBACT to European cities for 2025 and 2026. Then, let's say goodbye with highlights of the event.

19:00 - late night

Farewell Wrocław Party

Czasoprzestrzen

Centennial Hall Floorplan

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Centennial Hall
Jahrhunderthalle

