



Green City Action Plan for the City of Walbrzych, Poland

Launch Event Notification

The **City of Walbrzych** is pleased to inform you about its upcoming launch event for the **Green City Action Plan (GCAP)** programme, in partnership with the **European Bank for Reconstruction and Development (EBRD)**. This initiative has been generously funded by the **TaiwanBusiness – EBRD Technical Cooperation Fund** and the **Ministry of Finance of the Republic of Poland**.

The meeting will take place in-person in Walbrzych as well as online via video conferencing for wider stakeholders. The purpose of the event is to bring together representatives from municipal technical departments and key stakeholders in order to present and discuss the overall approach of the Green Cities Programme, GCAP methodology and development process, that will comprehensively assess the priorities for the City's sustainable green development. **Arup**, drawing on their team of international and Polish experts, are the consultants working together with the City to develop the plan and co-host the event.

The event will include three sessions: (i) An Introduction to the City of Walbrzych GCAP programme, led by the Mayor of Walbrzych, Roman Szelemej, and followed by donor and EBRD representatives; (ii) An overview of the City of Walbrzych's economic and environmental priorities; and (iii) A discussion of next steps and methods of approach for the GCAP programme. Participants will be encouraged to discuss the best ways to approach and action the plan, the type of end product that would be useful, the current situation of urban development in the City, and expectations for overall GCAP programme.

Date and time	19th October 2021, from 12:00 to 14:00 (CEST)
Venue	Park Wielokulturowy Stara Kopalnia
Livestream	The event will be livestreamed on Vimeo in both English and Polish

Please click the link below to join the webinar:

English: <https://vimeo.com/631029380>

Polish: <https://vimeo.com/631029992>

The agenda of the meeting is attached to this notification.



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Launch Event Agenda

19th October, 2021 – in-person and online hybrid event (Wałbrzych – Stara kopalnia)

Moderated by: [Arup representative (TBC)]

12:00 – 14:00 (CEST)

Launch event introduction - Moderator	12:00 – 12:05
SESSION 1: Introduction to the City of Wałbrzych GCAP programme	12:05 – 12:30
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Opening remarks from the City – Roman Szelemej, Mayor of Wałbrzych 	5 minutes
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Welcome note from donor representatives 	
Amb. Bob L.J. Chen – Representative and Head of Office, Taipei Representative Office in Poland	5 minutes
Grzegorz Wasilewski – Counsellor, Ministry of Finance of the Republic of Poland	5 minutes
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • EBRD's opening remarks 	
Elisabetta Falcetti – Regional Head of Central Europe	5 minutes
Susan Goeransson – Head of Infra Europe, Sustainable Infrastructure Group	5 minutes
SESSION 2: The City of Wałbrzych context and growth priorities	12:30 – 12:45
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Presentation on the city's infrastructure objectives and challenges – Arkadiusz Grudzień, GCAP City Coordinator Deputy 	10 minutes
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pursuing inclusive economic growth and the Just Transition – Isabel Blanco, Lead Sector Economist, EPG, EBRD 	5 minutes
SESSION 3: A round-up on the GCAP methodology and process	12:45 – 13:10
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Introduction to the GCAP methodology and project timeline – Stephen Cook, GCAP Team Leader, Arup 	15 minutes
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reflections on the Warsaw City experience and achievements – Justyna Glusman (tbc), Coordinating Director of sustainable development and greenery. 	10 minutes

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Coffee Break	13:10 – 13:30
Press Conference <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Roman Szełemej – Mayor of Wałbrzych • Elisabetta Falcetti – Regional Head of Central Europe, EBRD • Susan Goeransson – Head of Infra Europe, Sustainable Infrastructure Group, EBRD • Isabel Blanco – Lead Sector Economist, EBRD • Stephen Cook – GCAP Team Leader, Arup 	13:30 – 14:00
End of event	14:00

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