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### HR PRES 2020: Experts on territorial cohesion and urban development in Zagreb

MCPP has, within the framework of Croatian Presidency of the Council of EU, held expert level Informal meetings for Network of Territorial Cohesion Contact Points – NTCCP and Urban Development Group – UDG at the National and University Library in Zagreb. Meetings were attended by 70 delegates from EU member states, European Commission representatives, and representatives from organizations like UNECE, EUROCITIES, URBACT, ESPON EGTC, EUKN EGTC, ECTP-CEU, CoR, CEMR, and EIB. Key tasks of the meetings were document and decision preparation for the upcoming Directors General on Territorial Cohesion – DGTC and Directors General on Urban Matters - DGUM Informal meetings, which will be held in late April this year.



Participants at NTCCP and UDG meettings in Zagreb

At the Network of Territorial Cohesion Contact Points (NTCCP) meeting discussion was held on revision of Territorial Agenda 2020 and its content, Territorial Agenda 2030 which will be adopted during the German Presidency of the Council of EU in the second half of 2020. There was also discussion about research results on the needs and experiences in implementing the Territorial Agenda 2020; research was initiated at EU level during the Finish Presidency of the Council of EU. Also, discussion was held on the implemented pilot activities, communication plan drafts and the partnerships format to implement the Territorial Agenda 2030. The Urban Development Group (UDG) discussed the future of the Urban Agenda for the EU and the future of the partnerships of the Urban Agenda for the EU and the continuation of their work. The representatives of the upcoming DE PRES 2020 also presented the latest version of the New Leipzig Charter, a new strategic document for the development of sustainable EU cities.

MCPP specific themes within HR PRES 2020, Green Infrastructure in Urban Areas and Circular Management of Spaces and Buildings, which will be prepared at the national level through the Green Infrastructure in Urban Areas Development Programme and the Circular Management of Spaces and Buildings Development Programme, were presented by the Head of the Sector for European Union Projects, International and EU Affairs, Ines Androić Brajčić.

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# 4th Cities Forum 2020: Together we shape a sustainable future for cities



Danijel Žamboki, Assistant Minister in Porto

4th Cities Forum, under the European Commission sponsorship, was held in Porto at the end of January, and the common theme was mutual formation of a sustainable future for cities. The forum brought together key stakeholders from European, national and local levels to make a cross-section of achievements and addressed future directions of urban development within the framework of the cohesion policy. 4th Cities Forum was attended by MCPP representatives, Assistant Minister Danijel Žamboki and Head of the Service for International Cooperation and European Sustainable Development Affairs, Sandra Momčilović.

The focus of this Forum is the urban dimension of cohesion policy for the future financial framework 2021-2027 and the importance of an integrated approach to sustainable urban development. Also, the forum will discuss how the European Urban Initiative will support cities, how to bring Europe closer to all its citizens, but also the upcoming steps of the Urban Agenda for the European Union.

"Developing Europe" is one of the priorities of the Croatian Presidency agenda and is directly related to the European union cohesion policy as it promotes a balanced and sustainable development of the Union and its members, which was addressed by Assistant Minister Danijel Žamboki in his opening speech.

"The Croatian presidency will seek a balanced, sustainable and inclusive EU development, while respecting the unique and specific needs of each Member State, its regions and citizens. We will contribute to the completion of negotiations on the Cohesion Policy legislative Package for the 2021 – 2027 period."

Assistant Minister Žamboki also spoke on the role of MCPP in the following processes, saying that MCPP, as one of the partners of the Urban Agenda partnership for the Security in Public Spaces, has the opportunity to look at the process of Urban Aagenda from a different perspective.

"Since the beginning of our work within the Partnership, we have received many positive feedbacks from regional and local levels, who want to get involved in this process. In this respect, for us the promotion of the Urban Agenda and its results is an important part of the process of its implementation. The results of the Urban Agenda will greatly help us prepare national strategic and regulatory documents," Žamboki said.





# SINGLED OUT: After the renovation of residential building in Zagreb 234 housing units are achieving 53% energy savings

**W**ithin the Call "Energy renovation of multi-apartment buildings" 584 contracts were signed on awarding grants from European Regional Development Fund. Total value of projects is over HRK billion, while grants from European Regional Development Fund add up to more than HRK 554 million. Renovation works are already completed on more than 510 residential buildings.

Residential building in Zagreb at Maretićeva 1-17 is a good practice example within this Call. The project contributes to sustainable development and environmental protection by reducing CO2 emissions. The project enabled considerable energy efficiency in the building by implementing energy renovation measures mentioned in the table below.

Energy renovation of residential building on address Maretićeva 1-17, Zagreb	
Total project value:	HRK 10.027.479,43
Total grant:	HRK 5.857.541,11
Energy renovation measures:	-increase in thermal protection of outer wall -insulation of floor to soil or unheated area -reconstruction of the roof above heated space -replacement of outdoor doors and windows
Energy class:	Shift from energy class D to C
Savings:	53,00 %
Construction year:	1969
Number of households:	234

There are 62 energy renovated residential buildings in Zagreb, and under this Call the total investment was over HRK 163,4 million, out of which grants from European Regional Development Fund add up to more than HRK 91,4 million.



Residental building after energy renavation at Maretićeva 1-17, Zagreb



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