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CIFAL Plock: Water in urban areas

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In urban economy water can be a precious resource serving not only drinking and sanitary needs of inhabitants, but also enhancing cities' image and adding to their recreational and residential attractiveness. If mismanaged, it can be however a significant cost to local taxpayers and even a threat to their property, health or lives. Local policies with this regard and quality of their implementation will determine what this gift of the nature will constitute for urban population.

An interdisciplinary group of experts: geographers, planners, architects, sociologists, hydrologists, but also the representatives of local actors from Central and Eastern European countries will exchange experiences and share their knowledge on various aspects of water use in urban areas with an aim to establish international and interregional cooperation.

Agenda

Conference:

22 nd March 2011	
Day 1 - Exploring key themes and trends in water in urban planning	
Venue: City Hall of Plock, Stary Rynek 1, Plock	
09.30-10.00	Participant registration
10.00-10.20	<u>Opening Speech:</u> Mr Andrzej Nowakowski (Mayor of Plock) Introducing the City of Plock - Plock's Promotional Film
10.20-10.30	Presentation of the organizers: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CIFAL Plock • UNITAR • Warsaw University • PPP Centre
10.30-11.00	<u>Session I: Water in the city</u> Alterra/Wageningen University and Research Centre representative "The values of water landscape in the city" Q&A
11.00-11.30	"Water management in urban areas – what happens with the water in cities?" Q&A
11.30-12.00	Dr Bogdan Zagajewski (The Department of Urban Geography and Spatial Management University of Warsaw/Poland) "GIS in water management" Q&A
12.00-12.15	Coffee break
12.15-12.45	"Water urban planning. Revitalisation of water areas in Europe" Q&A
12.45-13.15	"The river in the city - Citizens' participation in the process of water urban planning"
13.15-13.45	"Legal and financial aspects of water management in the city" Q&A

13.45-14.00	Coffee break
14.00-15.30	<u>Good practices in Europe:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Amsterdam • Bydgoszcz • Gdańsk • London
15.30-16.00	<u>Daily wrap up:</u> Roundtable discussion with day's panelists and concluding Q&A session
16.00-16.30	Lunch
16.30-18.00	Sightseeing
19.00-21.00	Dinner

Facilitator: Dr Marek Pieniążek

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Workshop:

23 rd March 2011	
Day 2 - Sessions focusing on identified best practice cases	
Venue: [to be confirmed]	
09.30-12.30	Field visit
12.30-12.45	Coffee break
<u>Session I: Best practices in urban planning, landscape design and architecture</u>	
12.45-13.30	Presentation – city 1: A Best Practice Q&A
13.30-14.15	Presentation – city 2: A Best Practice Q&A
14.15-15.30	Lunch
15.45-16.30	Presentation – city 3: A Best Practice Q&A
16.30-16.45	Coffee break
<u>Session II: Applying self-assessment and comparing regional models</u>	
16.45-18.15	<u>"City-Share" methodology:</u> "Presentation of self-assessment matrix and identifying key shared challenges among participants" Facilitators: Ms Sara Castro (UNITAR, Geneva/Switzerland) and Mr Ireneusz Kamiński (CIFAL Płock/Poland)
19.30-21.00	Dinner
24 th March 2011	
Day 3 - Workshop on self-assessment and consolidation of action plans and knowledge results	
Venue: [to be confirmed]	
09.30-09.45	Presentation by rapporteurs of the workshop day 1

<u>Session III: Applying self-assessment and comparing regional models - continued</u>	
09.45-11.00	<u>"City-Share" methodology</u> Matrix results and peer assist: peer to peer discussion of self-assessment, matrix results and presentations on matrix results by each national group of participants Facilitators: Ms Sara Castro (UNITAR) and Mr Ireneusz Kamiński (CIFAL Płock)
11.00-11.15	Coffee break
11.15-12.30	<u>"City-Share" methodology</u> Knowledge fair: exchanging and pairing assets, expertise and challenges Facilitator: Ms Sara Castro (UNITAR) and Mr Ireneusz Kamiński (CIFAL Płock)
12.30-13.30	Lunch
<u>Session IV: Developing action plans for city-to-city cooperation and integration of the development of city valleys and planning of urban area</u>	
13.30-15.00	<u>"City-Share" methodology</u> Consolidating lessons learned: development and finalization of action plans Facilitators: Ms Sara Castro (UNITAR) and Mr Ireneusz Kamiński (CIFAL Płock)
15.00-16.15	<u>"City-Share" methodology</u> Action plans: presentation of developed action plans Facilitators: Ms Sara Castro (UNITAR) and Mr Ireneusz Kamiński (CIFAL Płock)
16.15-17.00	Closing ceremony: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Completion of participant evaluation forms • Presentation of certificates • Closing photo session
19.00-22.00	Dinner

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