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20 -23 MAY 2025



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OGRODOWA 17, ŁÓDŹ, POLAND

MEET US DURING THE MOST
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JOIN US AT :



1) CONFERENCE ON SCHOOLS OF RESILIENCE
20 MAY 2025, BY REGISTRATION



2) WORKSHOPS 'AURE'
22 MAY 2025, BY REGISTRATION



3) DANISH POINT
21-22 MAY 2025, FOR ALL REGISTERED @ URBAN
FUTURE 2025



4) SITE VISIT AT ŁÓDŹ SCHOOL – DEMO LESSON
23 MAY 2025, REGISTER @ URBAN FUTURE



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CONFERENCE ON SCHOOLS OF RESILIENCE - BACKGROUND



20 MAY 2025
11:00 – 16:30



ŁÓDŹ CLIMATE SUMMIT
ROOM DAMASK
Vienna House by Andel's



English/Polish
(interpretation)

A Polish-Danish conference devoted to the role of schools in building social resilience against multidimensional crises – climate, health, energy and social. The conference is organised under the honorary patronage of the Polish Presidency in the EU and on the eve of the Danish Presidency.

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Schools are becoming the **arena of transformation**, the foundation for shaping informed, engaged citizens. In the face of growing uncertainty and complex challenges, schools play a special role: they build the resilience of local communities, shape democratic competences and support the mental health of the young generation. The conference will address the need to transform schools in three complementary dimensions:

I. SCHOOL AS A HEALTHY BUILDING

A school understood as a **healthy, energy-efficient and self-sufficient** facility - supporting the physical and mental well-being of students, and at the same time ready to act as a shelter in crisis situations. In the focus: air quality, energy efficiency, indoor climate - thermal and acoustic comfort, adaptation to climate change and multifunctionality of educational spaces.

II. SCHOOL AS THE HEART OF THE URBAN COMMUNITY

A school, as a key element of local infrastructure, is becoming an arena for social transformation and an open and safe common space serving the entire local community. Its surroundings, appropriately designed and adapted to changing environmental conditions, providing a green and safe **buffer zone** - protecting against air pollution, noise, excessive car traffic, heat and other effects of climate change. The ongoing spatial planning 'revolution' in Poland might be a perfect opportunity to address those challenges.

III. SCHOOL AS A MECCA OF DEMOCRACY

A school is a space where children and young people can really experience democracy in action. This type of approach strengthens civic, ecological and spatial awareness, and above all teaches co-responsibility. Drawing from Nordic experiences, we aim to develop democratic citizen science when it comes to urban planning.



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CONFERENCE ON SCHOOLS OF RESILIENCE – AGENDA

Conference led by Jakob Norman-Hansen, Director for Global Urban Innovation, Bloxhub

11:00 - 11:45 - WELCOME BRUNCH

11:45 – 12:00 - OFFICIAL OPENING

- Adam Pustelnik, First Vice-Mayor of Łódź
- Jakob Henningsen, Ambassador of Denmark
- Magdalena Sobkowiak-Czarnecka, Undersecretary of State for the European Union Affairs, Chancellery of the Prime Minister
- Professor Tadeusz M. Zielonka, European Respiratory Society Member

12:00 – 15:15 - EXPERTS PANELS

3 DIMENSIONS OF RESILIENT SCHOOLS

12:00 - 13:00 | PANEL I: SCHOOL AS A HEALTHY BUILDING

Moderator: Aleksandra Stępnia, Chairwoman of the Board, Fala Renowacji Association

Keynote: Anne Gade Iversen, Project Manager, Realdania

Panelists:

- Anne Gade Iversen, Project Manager, Realdania
- Joanna Remiszewska-Michalak, Chairwoman of the Climate Council, UN Global Compact Network Poland
- Dorota Zawadzka-Stępnia, President of the Management Board of the National Fund for Environment Protection and Water Management
- Miłosz Jakubowski, Legal Advisor, Frank Bold

13:00 - 14:00 | PANEL II: SCHOOL AS THE HEART OF URBAN COMMUNITY

Moderator of the panel: Monika Rachtan, Medical Journalist, Author of "Foremostly the Patient" Program

Keynote: Monica Magnussen, Head of International Affairs, City of Copenhagen

Panelists:

- Monica Magnussen, Head of International Affairs, City of Copenhagen
- Dr hab. Wojciech Feleszko, Professor, Warsaw Medical University
- Przemysław Radwan-Röhrenschef, Member of the Board, BOŚ Foundation
- Małgorzata Rapacka, Vice-President, Ludność Warszawy Association, Sustainable Cities and Concept Specialist at Green Smart City
- Piotr Kopek, President of the Regional Fund for Environment Protection and Water Management in Łódź

14:00 - 15:00 | PANEL III: SCHOOL AS A MECCA OF DEMOCRACY

Moderator: Justyna Suchecka, journalist focused on education, TVN24, "Dobra Zmiana" podcaster

Keynotes - two perspectives:

Bo Stjerne Thomsen, PhD, Head of Educational Impact, LEGO Education
Tina Saaby, Director, Danish Town Planning Institute

Panelists:

- Tina Saaby, Director, Danish Town Planning Institute
- Agata Wojda, Mayor of Kielce
- Dr. Maciej Zathey, Director, Wrocław Institute of Territorial Development
- Elżbieta Krawczyk, Board Member and Program Director, Center for Citizenship Education
- Bo Stjerne Thomsen, PhD, Head of Educational Impact, LEGO Education

15:00 - 15:15 - Q&A, WRAP UP OF ALL THE PANELS

15:15 – 15:30 - COFFEE BREAK

15:30 - 16:30 – PLENARY DEBATE

GROWN-UP TALKS: BACK TO SCHOOL VS. SCHOOL OF THE FUTURE

Moderator: Bogna Świątkowska, President of the Board of Bęc Zmiana Foundation

Keynotes: Gerardo Sanchez, European Environmental Agency & Helle Juul, Juul Frost Architects

Expected panelists:

- Sophie Hæstorp Andersen, Danish Minister for Social Affairs and Housing, tbc
- Krzysztof Bolesła, Secretary of State, Ministry of Climate and Environment, tbc
- Michał Jaros, Secretary of State, Ministry of Economic Development and Technology, tbc
- Wojciech Konieczny, Secretary of State, Ministry of Health, tbc
- Joanna Mucha, Secretary of State, Ministry of Education
- Dorota Zawadzka-Stępnia, President of the Management Board of the National Fund
- Małgorzata Snarska, Code for Green Foundation President
- Tomasz Kucharski, Mayor of Praga Południe District, Warsaw, tbc
- Hanna Zdanowska, President of Łódź



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WORKSHOP AURE – ACADEMY OF URBAN RESILIENCE



22 MAY 2025
11:00 – 13:00



URBAN FUTURE
WORKSHOP ROOM „COTTON”
Vienna House by Andel's
Ogrodowa 17, Łódź



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SCHOOLS LEADING THE WAY

HOW TO MAKE SCHOOLS ENGINES OF CITY-WIDE CHANGE

- Urban planning is shifting its focus, with **schools now at the heart of the transformation**. Schools are increasingly recognized as **‘critical’ facility** for promoting democracy, fostering community, and enhancing climate resilience.
- In this interactive session of **design sprint workshop**, we'll explore not only how urban planning rules surrounding schools are reshaping cities as a whole, but also how schools themselves are evolving into self-sufficient hubs of democratic renewal.
- We will work with real examples of schools and urban spaces around them from two Polish cities: Giebaltow from Dolnośląskie Voivodeship and Kielce from Świętokrzyskie Voivodeship.



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DANISH POINT & SITE VISITS



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JOIN US AT URBAN FUTURE:



21-22 MAY - DANISH POINT @ URBAN FUTURE'S MAIN LOUNGE EXPO

Join us for creative talks with Denmark's leading experts on urbanism, sustainability, technology and relax over a cup of coffee in a hyggelig Danish 'living room'.

- Free entrance for all registered Urban Future participants



23 MAY - SITE VISITS

Join us for a site visit to one of Łódź primary school to learn how to employ resilient school development in practice. We will also run a DEMO LESSON with LEGO EDUCATION on building a school of the future-

- Register via Urban Future website

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