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“WeAlmaty” visits Nur-Sultan Conference:

experience exchange between Almaty and Nur-Sultan on citizens involvement in the city development

Aim: Exchange of experience between Almaty and Nur-Sultan on involving citizens in the development of the city and transfer of experience of the “WeAlmaty” project to citizens and Akimat (city council) of Nur-Sultan.

Date: 12 September 2019

Time: 09:30 – 17:00

Venue: Astana International Campus, Bureau of Continuing Professional Development (BCPD Ltd.), 55/23 Mangilik El Ave.





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PROGRAMME

09:30 - 10:00	Registration/ coffee-break
10:00 – 10:05	<u>Plenary Session: Involving Citizens in City Development</u> Welcome speech Johannes Stenbaek Madsen , Head of Cooperation of the EU in Kazakhstan
10:05 – 10:10	Askar Amrin , Deputy Akim of Nur-Sultan Akimat
10:10 – 10:15	Deputy Akim of Almaty Akimat (TBC)
10:15 – 10:20	Rowan Kennedy , chair of “WeAlmaty” Steering Group, British Council Kazakhstan Director
10:20 – 10:40	WeAlmaty project presentation Daniyar Mukitanov , Manager of the WeAlmaty project
10:40 – 11:00	“Creating a local ecological community around Lake Karasu” Segey Vasiliev , Director of the Public Foundation “Environmental Fund of Almaty”
11:00 – 11:20	“Presentation of the city accelerator iKomek” Zhannat Dubirova , Head of iKomek Monitoring and Rapid Response Cent





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11:20 – 11:45	Coffee-break
11:45 – 13:30	<p>Group discussion:</p> <p>The conference will be divided into 5 parallel groups, each group will work on a separate topic. Participants will be representatives of the Akimat, institutions, business and active citizens of Nur-Sultan. Each group will have an expert speaker(s) who will give an introductory presentation and will assist the group in the process. Also, facilitators will work in each group to moderate the discussion process. During the session, key issues will be discussed, possible ideas and solutions will be identified.</p> <p>Group 1: Creation of public spaces</p> <p>Public spaces form the image of the city and determine how pleasant the city is for life. How to fill the capital with places where residents can gather and spend their time? How to improve existing public spaces?</p> <p>Presentation: “From a front lawn to a public space: Q-Lab Urban Projects Laboratory” Ainura Zhubanova, Deputy Head of the Q-lab Urban Projects Laboratory at LLP "Research Institute "Almatygenplan"</p> <p>Topics for discussion:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. parks and squares of Nur-Sultan, 2. Botanical Garden, 3. square in front of Baiterek <p>Discussion</p> <p>Group 2: Integrated transport development</p> <p>Transport is the connecting link of a modern city, allowing millions of citizens to function and breathe in one rhythm. How effective is the transport system of Almaty and Nur-Sultan? How to make it better and more comfortable for users?</p>





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“Change of approaches to the development of transport”

Adia Karsybek, Head of the “Vision Zero Almaty”

Topics for discussion:

1. The impact of modes of transport on urban development
2. Development of alternative modes of transport (to transfer residents from cars / public transport to alternative modes of transportation - on foot, scooters, bicycles, etc.)
3. Road safety for different population groups

“Development of the transport system of Nur-Sultan”

Nauat Azanbaeva, director of the department of public relations "Astana LRT"

Group 3: Comfortable and accessible city

A modern city should be comfortable and accessible to all categories of the population, including people with disabilities, mothers with strollers, young children and the elderly people. How to make our city more convenient, comfortable and affordable?

“How to make city comfortable and accessible for everyone?”

Yerkanat Zaitov, representative of the Center for Urban Studies of Almaty

Video

“Inclusive and accessible city for everyone”

Zakhira Begaliyeva, facilitator of the project “WeAlmaty”,
President of the corporate fund “Yerekshe Tandau-Shelek”

Topics for discussion:





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1. accessibility of the city for all population groups
2. comfortable urban environment
3. comfort city for tourists

Group 4: Development of non-central areas of the city

Often seeing the beautiful and well-groomed city center, we forget about the importance of equable development. A truly successful city is a city without suburbs, where a person should not go to the center to attend a theatrical performance, concert or exhibition.

“Cityzen Playground: how to bring cultural leisure to non-central areas?”

Anel Moldakhmetova, Co-founder of Urban Talks projects, Archcode Almaty

“Results of social design”: “Zhastar microdistrict”

Askhat Saduov, Head of the Centre for Urban Studies of Nur-Sultan

Group 5: Environmentally sustainable city

Ecology is one of the most pointed problems for all cities of Kazakhstan, including Nur-Sultan and Almaty. How can we change the consciousness of city residents so that we can begin to take care of the environment? What is the role of akimat and citizens in this process?

“Strategies for improving environmental sustainability in a city (Greening a city or greening citizens?)”

Nastya Goncharova, facilitator of the project “WeAlmaty”

“How to improve the ecological culture of citizens?”

Banu-Akkumis Kuspanova, co-founder of the Recycle Birge project

Discussion





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<u>13:30 – 14:30</u>	<u>Lunch</u>
<u>14:30 – 16:00</u>	<u>Continuation of facilitated group discussion:</u> Group 1: Creation of public spaces Group 2: Integrated transport development Group 3: Comfortable and accessible city Group 4: Development of non-central areas of the city Group 5: Environmentally sustainable city
<u>16:00 – 16:45</u>	<u>Group presentations, conclusion</u>

