



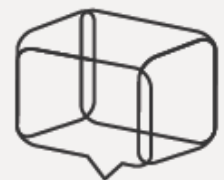
# World Urban Forum

Eleventh Session

**Transforming Our Cities  
for a Better Urban Future**

**26-30 June 2022** at the  
International Congress Centre,  
**Katowice, Poland**

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## What is WUF?

The World Urban Forum (WUF) is the most important global event focused on the key challenges which cities and urbanized areas face in every corner of the world.

The Eleventh Session of the World Urban Forum (WUF11) will be held in the city of Katowice, Poland from 26 to 30 June 2022.



## Katowice - worth to know!



Katowice is a city in the Upper Silesia region in southern Poland. In recent years Katowice has undergone a huge transformation.

Until recently, the city was often seen as the place of heavy industry, coal and steel. Today, Katowice is a dynamically developing modern capital of a metropolitan area with 2 million inhabitants, with high-tech industry, and strong academic and cultural functions.

WUF11 will take place in the International Congress Centre (ICC). The ICC was established in the heart of the culture zone in a new and revitalized space next to the iconic Spodek Arena (the name spodek in Polish, meaning a saucer in English describes the original shape of the

## The future of cities is in our hands!

Have you ever wondered what the urban transportation of the future will look like? Have you thought about how your children will cope with excess pollution? And how will we deal with the influx of people into cities? All these issues will be discussed during WUF11. The Forum will deal with the most important matters concerning urban development in the swiftly changing and often unpredictable future.

From 26 to 30 June 2022 in Katowice representatives of national, regional and local governments, academics, business people, community leaders, urban planners will come together to talk about future cities challenges in the era of green transformation.







## Actions Matter!

We want to guide the cities in the spirit of sustainable development and encourage them to take meaningful actions. **The theme of WUF11 “Transforming our Cities for a Better Urban Future”, will provide greater insights and clarity on the future of cities based on the existing trends, challenges and opportunities,** as well as suggest how the cities can be better prepared to address future pandemics and a wide range of other shocks.

## What legacy will the WUF leave?



During WUF11, the UN-Habitat will launch the **World Cities Report 2022**, a flagship publication and an integral aspect of UN-Habitat’s positioning as a centre of excellence and innovation for monitoring and reporting on sustainable urbanization.

Poland has created the **Action Plan for Cities**, a catalogue of actions transforming the cities into green, accessible and productive places.

This will include promoting zero carbon transport and energy, greening cities and activities to design accessible public places, including green areas and compact cities.



**So now,  
it's time  
for action!**

## You are young, you have impact!

We know that the cities of the future will be created by young people. We want them to become aware as much as possible of the problems that modern metropolises have to face. That is why we have created the WUF 11 Youth Council, which not only advises and assists in the organization of WUF, but above all, spreads the ideas of WUF and sustainable urbanization among the young generation.



## Let's create a better future together!

We are aware that any urban processes, transformations and adaptation to new conditions required a greater engagement of stakeholders, not only urban authorities, but above all their residents and local organizations and enterprises. We warmly invite you to spread the idea of sustainable urban development. Create with us a better future for the good of us all!

# Do you want to have an impact on the future of your city? You cannot be missing in Katowice!

We are looking forward to welcoming you all at WUF11!

### Check out our websites!

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