

Program (as of May 27th)

Berlin City Link Conference Sustainable Cities, United Efforts: A European Approach

Kick-off conference of the ConnAct EU project

In cooperation with Association for International Affairs AMO, Municipality Fundao, Municipality Piraeus, Pakhuis de Zwijger Amsterdam, Provincia di Bergamo

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Tuesday, 15 July 2025 | 10:00 – 17:00h
Rotes Rathaus, Festsaal

Description / short information

This program is designed not only to impart knowledge to the participants, but also to identify concrete opportunities for action and approaches to cooperation. The interactive design promotes exchange and networking across national borders.



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09:00 – 09:30 h	<p>Registration and Welcome Coffee Arrival of participants and networking</p>
09:30 – 10:00 h	<p>Welcome and introduction</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Greeting by Representative of the City of Berlin (tbc) ▪ Introduction to the objectives and agenda of the conference ▪ Keynote on the importance of European city cooperation in municipal climate and environmental protection
10:00 – 11:00 h	<p>Input-Session: Best Practices from across Europe Inspirational short presentations on successful projects</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Berlin Urban Nature Pact ▪ Designing Cities for All Pakhuis de Zwijger, Amsterdam ▪ Climate Action & Urban Innovation: Best Practices from Piraeus
11:00 – 11:30 h	Coffee break & thematic networking tables: Connect & Exchange
11:30 – 12:45 h	<p>Interactive workshops (parallel) 60 min.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Workshop 1: Sustainable tourism in cities: Innovative concepts and cooperation ▪ Workshop 2: Climate adaptation in municipalities: Experiences and challenges ▪ Workshop 3: City partnerships as drivers of sustainable development ▪ Workshop 4: Strengthening citizen participation and environmental awareness
12:45 – 13:45 h	Lunch break
13:45 – 15:00 h	<p>Deep Dive Sessions (parallel) 60 min.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Session 1: Financing sustainable urban projects at the European level ▪ Session 2: Climate justice in urban development ▪ Session 3: Future visions: What will sustainable cities look like in 2050? ▪ Session 4: Local action driving global change: Networks and alliances as key measures
15:00 – 15:30 h	Coffee break & thematic networking tables: Connect & Exchange
15:30 – 16:30 h	<p>Panel Discussion: "European Cities as Pioneers for Sustainability" Discussion with experts from politics, science, and civil society on the challenges and opportunities of international cooperation.</p>
16:30 – 17:00 h	<p>Conclusion of the day: Summary and Outlook</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Summary of results ▪ Outlook on next project activities (Prague, Bergamo, Amsterdam) ▪ Official closing of the conference
17:00 – 18:00 h	Informal Networking & Get-together

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