



Poltava is located in the center of Ukraine, 341,4 km away from the capital of Ukraine – City of Kyiv.

Status: City of oblast importance

Total area, m2: 103,5

Number of residents, persons: 294 962

At the moment, Poltava is looking for a partner city from EU as we would very much like to apply for a call for proposals "Partnership for sustainable cities 2020".

<https://webgate.ec.europa.eu/europeaid/online-services/index.cfm?do=publi.welcome&nbPubliList=15&orderBy=upd&orderByad=Desc&searchType=RS&aofr=167744>

We need a city with population up to 150,000 citizens and we then can apply together for the project with the amount up to 1 million Euros. Project pays for studytrips and technical assistance (mentors) and other costs related to the project implementation etc...

We will appreciate you if you could become a partner for Poltava in implementation of this joint project.

From partner we expect sharing experience from their city, readiness to support in organization study trip for Poltava participants, expertise in form of mentor support (if possible) or consultation. EU project will pay for all these activities.

SPECIFIC OBJECTIVES (FOR LOT 1 TO 5)

The proposed partnerships must address the following specific objective:

Strengthen urban governance

and at least one out of the three following objectives

- Ensure **social inclusiveness** of cities
- Improve **resilience and greening** of cities
- Improve **prosperity and innovation** in cities

Description of the project

Main objectives:

- Raising awareness among Poltava residents about alternative means of transport (bicycle transport), which enhances sustainable and low carbon mobility in the city.

- Improving urban governance system by enhancing the urban transport management competence of Poltava City Council employees and public sector representatives.
- Establishing a long-term partnership with cities which have experience and successful models of implementation of integrated urban planning (in particular related to sustainable mobility) (Forerunner cities)
- Creating opportunities to move around the city quickly and safely by bicycle.

Project activities include:

- Consultations and mentoring by a foreign expert on developing new urban policies that will promote the use of more sustainable means of transport –
- Workshops for participants of the working group on bicycle infrastructure development, project designers and Poltava City Council employees in order to enhance their skills and expertise in bicycle infrastructure development and workshops for pupils, students, local businesses, civic activists and civic society organizations, senior residents. It also envisages the development of school bicycle programs and their further implementation.
- Study visits to Ukraine and the EU countries to study the best foreign practices of creating bicycle infrastructure in cities and building sustainable city-to-city links.
- Introducing a bike sharing system to Poltava.
- Development of design specifications and estimate and arrangement of cycle lanes on Yevropejska street involving the consultations of foreign urban experts, traffic safety auditors and representatives of municipalities in other cities in the framework of the implementation of the first priority bicycle route Sustainable Urban Mobility Plan "Construction of the main cycle route "Almaznyi – Korpusnyi Sad".
- A promotional campaign that will include a set of activities to promote cycling.

All activities will be with emphasis on the gender aspect (woman and elderly people)