

Plan for Brno conference brings international experience in urban planning to the Czech city of Brno

- **Urbanists, architects and experts on transport engineering from all over the world will gather in Brno on September 26 and 27.**
- **Conference organizers want to showcase good practices from abroad and inspire local politicians and citizens.**
- **The conference is free and open to the public.**

A new platform of international importance is being set up in the metropole of the Moravian region in the Czech Republic. The conference **Plan for Brno** aims to create a space for discussion about urban planning.

The event, which will feature urban planners, architects, city and public-sector representatives in presentations and moderated discussions focuses on two main topics: mobility strategy solutions for the city of Brno; and the development of local centres in city districts outside of its historic core.

The first ever Plan for Brno is pleased to feature two international stars in the field: Scottish urbanist and architect **David Sim** and urbanist of Israeli origin, **Yuval Fogelson**.

"We want to import experience from abroad," says the conference project manager and local student **Vojtěch Kubát**. *"Experts from Denmark, Germany, Poland – they all can help us to improve in areas, which we are struggling with,"* adds Kubát.

The conference is organised by a team of independent volunteers in cooperation with the **Brno Gallery of Architecture** and the **Brno City Architect Office** and with support of the Statutory City of Brno. *"Our aim is to inspire, to show the ordinary citizens that cities can also look and function differently,"* sums up Kubát.

The main speakers of the first day, whose programme is dedicated to transportation, include: **David Sim** (Gehl Architects), **Torben Heinemann** (Municipal Department of General Planning, Leipzig), **Juan Pablo Celis Pfeifer** (Celis Consult) and **Manuel Pröll** (Municipal Department of Vienna).

The second day will bring to the floor **Yuval Fogelson** (Urbi-i), **Igor Marko** (Marko&Placemakers), or **Herwig Spiegl** (AllesWirdGut), who will present their views on new local centres.

The detailed programme can be found on the website: <https://www.planprobrno.cz>

The outcomes of the conference will be published in a form of a booklet, a kind of "plan", about what should be done to improve the life in Brno.

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