

Better Governance, Planning and Services in Local Self-Governments: Poland

Launching Event



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Launching Event (virtual)

Wednesday, 30 June 2021 – via Zoom

10:30-12:30

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The OECD invites you to a virtual high-level launch event of its report *Better Governance, Planning and Services in Local Self-Governments in Poland*, organised in cooperation with the Association of Polish Cities (APC) and the Polish Ministry of Development Funds and Regional Policy (MDFRP).

The event highlights main findings from this report, providing an assessment of public governance and territorial development in Polish local self-government units (LSGUs). It offers key recommendations to national, regional and local-level governments in Poland on how to enhance development, improve service delivery and strengthen management processes within LSGUs. The report covers eight thematic areas: strategic planning; co-ordination across administrative units and policy sectors; multi-level governance and investment capacity; the use of monitoring and evaluation evidence for decision making; budgeting; strategic workforce management; open government; and regulatory policy to reduce administrative burden and simplify public procurement.

A self-assessment tool for LSGUs in Poland complements the report. It provides key indicators that allow counties and municipalities to assess their main strengths and weaknesses on public governance and local development practices, plan how to serve citizens better, enhance local sustainable development and engage with stakeholders to build a collective vision and plan of action.

10:20-10:30 **SIGN-IN TO ZOOM & TECHNICAL INTRODUCTION**

10:30-11:00 **HIGH-LEVEL LAUNCH REMARKS**

- **Waldemar Buda**, Secretary of State, Deputy Minister, Ministry of Funds and Regional Policy
- **Andrzej Porawski**, Executive Director of the Office, Association of Polish Cities
- **Lamia Kamal-Chaoui**, Director, Centre for Entrepreneurship, SMEs, Regions and Cities, OECD
- **Elsa Pilichowski**, Director, Directorate for Public Governance, OECD

Moderator: **Adam Ostry**, Project Manager, Head of Unit; Public Governance Reviews; Directorate for Public Governance; OECD

11:00-11:20 **MAIN FINDINGS AND RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE REPORT**

In this session, the OECD will present a high-level strategic overview of the project's main findings and recommendations.

Setting the scene: A strategic overview of the project's findings (ca. 15 min):

- **Dorothée Allain-Dupré**, Head of Division, Regional Development Policy and Multi-level Governance; Centre for Entrepreneurship, SMEs, Regions and Cities; OECD
- **Adam Ostry**, Project Manager, Head of Unit; Public Governance Reviews; Directorate for Public Governance; OECD

Q&A round (ca. 5 min.):

In case of queries about the overview of the project's findings, participants will be given the chance to ask questions directly related to the presentation.

11.20-12.15 **ROUNDTABLE ON THE SIGNIFICANCE OF THE MAIN FINDINGS AND RECOMMENDATIONS FOR POLISH STAKEHOLDERS**

This session will present the perspective of Polish local self-government units on the OECD's key findings and recommendations.

Roundtable panel discussion (ca. 45 min):

- **Agnieszka Szczepanska-Gora**, Deputy Director, Department of Strategy and Spatial Planning, Metropolitan Association of Upper Silesia and Zagłębie
- **Katarzyna Staś**, Head of Unit for City Development, Katowice
- **Zbigniew Kot**, Mayor of Międzyrzec Podlaski
- **Mariusz Szpilarewicz**, Mayor of Ziębice
- **Barbara Pilawa-Kraus**, Deputy Head of the Łańcut County
- **Katarzyna Śpiewok**, Strategic City Advisor, Association of Polish Cities

Moderators of the panel:

- **Maria-Varinia Michalun**, Senior Project Manager, Regional Development Policy and Multi-level Governance, Centre for Entrepreneurship, SMEs, Regions and Cities, OECD
- **Tomasz Potkanski**, Manager of the predefined project, Deputy Director of the Office, Association of Polish Cities

Q&A round (ca. 10 min):

The discussion will be followed by a Q&A session. The OECD project team and the Polish panellists will answer questions posed by the audience.

12:15-12:30 **CLOSING REMARKS**

- **Elita Cakule**, Head of International Projects Department, Norwegian Association of Local and Regional Authorities
- **Andrzej Porawski**, Executive Director of the Office, Association of Polish Cities
- **Adam Ostry**, Project Manager, Head of Unit, Public Governance Reviews, Directorate for Public Governance, OECD

MEETING INFORMATION



Report

The English and Polish language versions of the report and the accompanying highlights brochure will be available in the OECD iLibrary as of 30 June 2021.



Registration

All participants must register for the event via the APC or the following [link](#). Registered participant will receive an e-mail from the OECD that will include a link to access the Zoom meeting.



Virtual Platform

The meeting will be hosted using the platform for virtual meetings “Zoom”. Participants are advised to create a Zoom account in advance. For more information and troubleshooting during the day of the event, please contact meghan.hennessy@oecd.org.



Interpretation

During the event, simultaneous interpretation will be provided in English-Polish-English.