



## **Welcome to Poznań, Poland**

Poznań is one of the oldest and largest cities in Poland, with over 1000 years old traditions and rich European heritage. It links Western and Eastern Europe. Poznań is an important centre of industry and business, trade fairs, academic life, science, culture and sport, where new technologies and services, design and creative industries, startups and the gaming industry are developing. It is one of the best 5 tourist destinations in Europe and belongs to the TOP10 of European Capitals of Smart Tourism and the European Cities and Regions of the Future. Local restaurants and firms belong to the European Network of Regional Culinary Heritage. The Poznań International Fair is the largest organiser of trade fairs in Central and Eastern Europe and an active participant in the European MICE industry market. Poznań is a young city, every third person in the city is aged up to 29 years. It is a centre of academic life with 110,000 young people studied at 25 higher schools. Together with other young permanent residents and young foreigners employed in local companies they can enrich and activate the city with its energy.

## **Poznań EYC 2022 Programme**

Poznań wants to activate a great potential and talent of the youth in order to invite all young people, regardless of their origin, barriers and restrictions, to co-create and join the life of the city so they could implement their own ideas and initiatives for the benefit of all residents, build the European identity and become linked to the city, which will be for them the best place of their own future.

The theme of the Poznań EYC 2022 Programme is YOUNG CITY, the city of youth and the city for youth, and all activities under the Programme are specified by the idiom ACTIVATION. The Programme is based on the youth ideas and on the mutual involvement of young people and the City in their implementation. It contains a number of various activities in the local and European context, focusing on proposals for the youth.

The goal of Poznań EYC 2022 Programme is to create a creative space in the city for all young people, in order to let them implement their aspirations and life plans, unleash their natural enthusiasm, diversity and commitment to creative inclusion in the city life in the key areas of its functioning. We believe that a combination of a bottom-up initiative of youth and the constructive strengthening of their intellectual capital will enable a new stimulus for the development of Poznań, a historic city based on the solid academic and economic foundations. Key importance is an active outreach to all youth communities to ensure a variety of views, viewpoints and prospects, without excluding any group.

Young City Poznań invites all young people to actively create the city of their dreams.