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10th European Congress of Local Governments in Mikołajki – A Platform for Dialogue Among Local Government Leaders Across Europe

The milestone 10th edition of the European Congress of Local Governments (ECLG) will take place in Mikołajki on March 3-4, 2025. This prestigious event is one of the largest platforms for dialogue, cooperation, and the exchange of best practices, bringing together local leaders and stakeholders invested in the development of local communities. This year's Congress will host around 2,500 participants, including local government leaders from Poland and Europe, representatives from local and central administrations, NGOs, academia, the business sector, as well as specialists and experts from dozens of countries.

The European Congress of Local Governments offers more than just an opportunity to discuss the most pressing issues facing today's communities. It also serves as a space for developing joint solutions to address global challenges that are echoed at the local level. This year's theme, "Global Challenges – Local Solutions," highlights the direction of discussions and debates. According to Zygmunt Berdychowski, Chairman of the Program Council of the European Congress of Local Governments, local governments play a crucial role in tackling challenges such as climate change, energy transition, migration, artificial intelligence development, and enhancing social security.

"The world is undergoing profound changes, and global challenges are having a real impact on citizens' lives. It is in local governments—close to residents and their everyday issues—that effective decisions are made. These decisions not only meet local needs but also contribute to global solutions," emphasized Berdychowski.

Program of the 10th European Congress of Local Governments

The Congress program includes over 250 events divided into 15 thematic tracks, including Economy and Finance, Regional Infrastructure, Innovation, Investment, Culture and Education, Politics and Security, The Future of Local Government, Society, Tourism, International Cooperation, Health, Green Energy, and Sustainable Development. The program offers a wide range of discussion panels, workshops, lectures, presentations, and networking sessions, enabling participants to gain new competencies and establish valuable contacts.

Awards of the 10th European Congress of Local Governments

The European Congress of Local Governments is also a unique opportunity to honor local government officials and leaders for their contributions to community development. On the first and second day of the Congress, formal Galas will be held to present the European Congress of Local Governments Awards, recognizing outstanding achievements and projects that enhance the quality of life in local communities.

The Congress as a Venue for International Cooperation and Dialogue

Now in its tenth year, the European Congress of Local Governments continues to be a platform for strengthening international cooperation. Local government representatives and experts from across Europe will have the opportunity to exchange experiences, solutions, and

best practices that can be applied in their own communities. The Congress facilitates open dialogue between local authorities, the private sector, NGOs, and representatives of academia, fostering new approaches and initiating international collaboration.

Registration and Organizational Information

More information: www.forum-ekonomiczne.pl

Official registration for the 10th European Congress of Local Governments is available on the website: <https://economicforum.pl/rejestracja-eks/index.php/form/fe?open=E&lang=pl>.

Main Partner

The organizers are honored to announce that the main partner of this year's Congress is the Warmian-Masurian Voivodeship.