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SCHOOL FOR URBAN STUDIES

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**ADVANCED
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DETAILED INFORMATION

Type: Advanced Professional Program with Joint Certificate of the CANactions School and international partners.

Duration of the course: 10 months (September, 2016 – June, 2017)

Format: Part-time (monthly 6 days-long sessions at the CANactions School in Kyiv and distant work throughout the semester); field trips to case study sites in Ukraine and abroad

Language: English, Ukrainian

Tuition fee: 11800 UAH

Number of students: Up to 25

Location: CANactions School for Urban Studies in Kyiv

The CANactions School offers a new advanced-level study program focused on practical application of Integrated Urban Development principles outlined in the Leipzig Charter that serves as common ground of the EU urban development policies. Based on the CANactions School methodology, the program is aimed at adapting the concept of Integrated Urban Development to specific scale and real-life functioning of a mid-sized Ukrainian city. For this, we provide methods and tools for research-oriented design and strategic planning that will allow our students to conduct qualified research and design interventions that benefit local communities and Ukrainian society as a whole.

Our students will learn about various integrated urban development policy approaches with a major focus on several priority areas e.g. ensuring high-quality public spaces, improving energy efficiency of cities, combating climate change, enhancing residents' quality of life and attractiveness for businesses, promoting social and intercultural dialogue. A special section of the program will be devoted to managing deprived neighborhoods within a city in terms of poor quality of urban and natural environment, social exclusion and high unemployment. Here, we will be particularly focused on housing policies, low-cost methods of upgrading physical environment, efficient and affordable urban transport.

We cultivate teamwork and learning by doing approach in educational process and offer a multidisciplinary perspective on the complex urban context thanks to involvement of international tutors, fieldwork and peer learning from other professionals in the group. Finally, we deepen the student's' ability to critically examine and describe interactions between people's activities and physical structures in the city through awareness of current urban challenges in a global perspective.

TARGET GROUP:

This program is designed for:

- civil servants of Ukrainian regional agencies for urban development;
- open-minded executives of cities administrations;

- activists, representatives of NGOs aimed at urban projects for real transformation of Ukrainian cities;
- urban entrepreneurs with strong interest in city development projects;
- local entrepreneurs who have a strong interest in urban development projects;
- young Ukrainian professionals from the field of urban design, city planning and architecture;
- critically-thinking intellectuals with background in economics, political and cultural studies, journalism and sociology;
- researchers, interested in the exploration of developing countries urban conditions.

PROGRAM KEY TOPICS:

- Strategic Urban Design & Planning
- Environmental Management & Landscape Planning
- Urban Economics & Geographic Information Systems (GIS)
- Transportation Planning & Regional Development
- Participatory Planning & Community Development
- Tactical Urbanism
- Urban Sociology and Anthropology
- Data & Stakeholders Analysis
- Project Management
- Storymaking & Communication

PROFESSIONAL PERSPECTIVES:

Successful graduates of the Advanced Studies in Integrated Urban Development are prepared for challenging tasks in the sphere of urban development covering such areas as: development and consulting, strategic design and planning, urban management and creation of urban services, urban studies and interdisciplinary research, development of urban communities. The graduates may take positions in governmental and specialized municipal institutions, non-governmental organizations and in the private sector formulating the strategic proposals for more sustainable and socially responsible city development.

The CANactions alumni become a part of expert community, that keeps connections between international and Ukrainian professionals, local communities, decision-makers and other stakeholders involved in urban development of contemporary cities. This allows to receive guidance for their own projects implementation, participate in urban development programs initiated by Ukrainian and European partner organizations, conduct research projects in Ukraine and abroad, become interns and employees in leading European bureaus and companies focused on urban design, architecture, spatial and strategic planning, and urban studies.

Besides gained knowledge, developed multidisciplinary projects will be distributed through the media channels and printed publications of the CANactions School and the international partner organisations, becoming a valuable addition to the students CVs and portfolios.