



Czech-Romanian Conference on Sustainable Cities and Communities Bucharest, 24 June 2025

The sustainable development of cities is one of the most important topics at European level and for each EU country. It is strongly connected with the concept of Smart City and it is driven by digital technologies, policies, and regulatory frameworks.

In this context the Embassy of the Czech Republic in Bucharest and Smart Cities of Romania Cluster are organizing the Czech-Romanian Conference on Sustainable Cities and Communities on June 24th in Bucharest. The event brings high-level speakers from public authorities, industry and academia to present and discuss developments and best practices in both countries.

Agenda

- 09:00 – 09:30 *Welcome coffee*
- 09:30 – 09:35 Martin KOŠATKA – Czech Ambassador in Romania
- 09:35 – 09:50 Laszlo BORBELY – State Counsellor, General Secretariat of the Government, Department for Sustainable Development
- 09:50 – 10:05 Miroslav SVITEK, Czech Technical University Prague – Europe Avenue as a Smart City Testbed in Prague
- 10:05 – 10:20 Florin BALTARETU, Technical University of Civil Engineering Bucharest - PilotInnCities - Pilot-based Innovation Ecosystems for Smart Cities
- 10:20 – 10:35 Viktor BENES, Czech Technical University Prague – Smart Prague: Urban Innovation and Resilience in the Heart of Europe
- 10:35 – 10:50 Maran BURIC, SCoR Cluster – Challenges for the development of smart cities following the European Sustainable Development Report 2025
Panel discussion – leveraging policies and technology for the sustainable development of cities
Moderator: Marian BURIC – Executive Director, Smart Cities of Romania Cluster
Participants:
- 10:50 – 12:10
- Miroslav SVITEK, Czech Technical University Prague
 - Maria NENECIU, UEFISCDI & M100 Mirror Mission Cities Hub Romania
 - Viktor BENES, Czech Technical University Prague
 - Florin BALTARETU, Technical University of Civil Engineering Bucharest
 - Calin VILT, SCoR Cluster & CNR-CME
- 12:10 – 13:30 *Networking lunch*