



#### **ERASMUS+ CBHE PROJECT**

#### CREATING THE NETWORK OF KNOWLEDGE LABS FOR SUSTAINABLE AND RESILIENT ENVIRONMENTS



## **STUDY VISIT & WORKSHOPS**

The Department of Architecture, University of Strathclyde, Glasgow

## **EVENT AGENDA**

FIRST DAY: Wednesday, 31<sup>st</sup> May 2017

Venue: University of Strathclyde, James Weir Building, 75 Montrose Street, Room 606.

09:00 – 09:30	Registration of participants
09:30 – 10:00	Welcome and introduction
	<ul> <li>Prof. Branka Dimitrijević, UoS Institutional Coordinator in KLABS</li> <li>Prof. Dimitris Drikakis, Dean of the Faculty of Engineering</li> <li>Associate Professor Saja Kosanović, KLABS Coordinator, Faculty of Technical Sciences, University of Priština in Kosovska Mitrovica</li> </ul>
9:45 - 10:15	International collaboration in research and education in the context of Brexit, Martin Gregory or Fiona McKenna, Research and Knowledge Exchange Services, University of Strathclyde
10:15 – 11:00	Networking with researchers of the University of Strathclyde





11:00 - 11:30	Coffee break
11:30- 12:30	Workshop on innovative learning methodologies to be applied at developed WB programmes
12:30 – 13:30	Lunch break
13:30 – 15:00	Workshop on innovative learning methodologies to be applied at developed WB programmes (cont.) with conclusions
15:00 – 15:15	Coffee/tea/refreshments
15:15 – 15:45	Visit to the Department of Architecture
16:00 – 17:00	Visit to City Observatory, Technology and Innovation Centre, University of
	Strathclyde
17:00 – 18:00	Free time
18:00 – 18:30	Reception at Glasgow City Chambers (tbc)
19:00 – 21:00	Dinner (optional)

# SECOND DAY: Thursday, 1<sup>st</sup> June 2017

Venue: University of Strathclyde, James Weir Building, 75 Montrose Street, Room 606.

08:30 - 09:00	Gathering and registration of participants	
09:00 - 10:30	Workshop on KLABS material: Editors/Authors consultations and work	
10:30 – 11:00	Coffee/tea/refreshments	
11:00 – 12:30	Workshop on KLABS material: Editors/Authors consultations and work (cont.)	
12:30 – 13:30	Lunch break	
13:30 – 17:00	Glasgow Architectural Tour by bus	
17:00 – 19:00	Free	
19:00 - 21:00	Dinner (optional)	





# THIRD DAY: Friday, 2<sup>nd</sup> June 2017

Venue: University of Strathclyde, James Weir Building, 75 Montrose Street, Room 606.

08:30 - 09:00	Gathering and registration of participants
09:00 - 10:30	Workshop on KLABS material: Editors' consultations and work
10:30 – 11:00	Coffee/tea/refreshments
11:00 – 12:30	Workshop on KLABS material: Editors' consultations and work
12:30 – 13:30	Lunch break
13:30 – 15:00	Workshop on KLABS material: Presentation of achieved results
15:00 – 15:30	Coffee/tea/refreshments
15:30 – 17:00	Workshop on KLABS material: Presentation of achieved results and the discussion on external review
17:00 – 19:00	Free
19:00 - 21:00	Dinner (optional)





# **EVENT REPORT FORM <sup>1</sup>**

EVENT:	STUDY VISIT & WORKSHOPS  The Department of Architecture, University of Strathclyde, Glasgow, United Kingdom, 31 <sup>st</sup> May - 2 <sup>nd</sup> June 2017
TYPE OF EVENT:	Study visit and workshops
VENUE:	University of Strathclyde, Glasgow, United Kingdom
ORGANISERS:	Professor Branka Dimitrijevic (Strathclyde's Institutional Coordinator for KLABS project) and Donagh Horgan (KLABS Project Assistant)
REPORTING DATE:	22/06/2017
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Western Balkan partner

institutions:

"DžemalBijedić" University of Mostar State University of Novi Pazar

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>This form has to be filled by event organisers and sent to the coordinator, on e-mail address: <a href="mailto:saja.kosanovic@pr.ac.rs">saja.kosanovic@pr.ac.rs</a> The term event relates to the the meetings, workshops, exhibitions, conferences, etc....





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# **EVENT DESCRIPTION**with special reference to goals and outcomes

NUMBER OF PARTICIPANTS AT THE EVENT:	30 (including local delegates)
PARTICIPANTS (ORGANISATIONS):	RWTH Aachen University, Aachen, Germany Delft University of Technology, Delft, Netherlands University of Banja Luka, Bosnia and Herzegovina University of Belgrade, Serbia University Džemal Bijedić, Mostar, Bosnia and Herzegovina University of Ljubljana, Slovenia University of Novi Pazar, Serbia University of Priština in Kosovska Mitrovica, Kosovo University IUAV, Venice, Italy Higher Technical School in Zvečan, Kosovo

#### **EVENT DESCRIPTION:**

The Department of Architecture, University of Strathclyde, Glasgow was the venue for the recent KLABS meeting, bringing together the project partners from EU and non-EU institutions across the continent and the Western Balkans. As a leading Higher Education Institution, the University of Strathclyde is at the forefront of pioneering new approaches to teaching and pedagogy. The university has performed strongly over the recent period, in terms of research, education and knowledge exchange activities, as a socially progressive and leading international technological university. Its aim is to contribute positively to the KLABS project.

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31 May 2017

The visit commenced with a welcome and introduction by Prof. Branka Dimitrijevic, Strathclyde's Institutional Coordinator for KLABS project. Branka was joined by Prof. Dimitris Drikakis, Dean of the Faculty of Engineering, who welcomed the participants on behalf of the Faculty of Engineering.





The context of the British departure from the European Union, and the implications that this may have for research collaborations between the UK and the EU, raise many questions among our European partners. Martin Gregory of Research and Knowledge Exchange Services, University of Strathclyde was invited to come along to share his view on international collaboration in research and education in the context of Brexit, identifying the main challenges and engaging in a dialogue with visitors. The commitment of the University of Strathclyde to this project, and other European research is unwavering, and it was important to achieve clarity around this regarding future potential collaboration through EU funded projects.

Networking with researchers of the University of Strathclyde followed this session. Academics from the Department of Design Manufacture and Engineering Management, Civil and Environmental Engineering, and the Department of Architecture met with the European visitors and explored opportunities for knowledge exchange and research collaboration going forward.

Following a break, KLABS participants worked in groups on editing of the learning material for the planned MSc programmes in the partner universities in Western Balkan countries. The afternoon session concluded with teams continuing to work on the editorial tasks, before a visit to the Department of Architecture, to see the end of year graduation show. The tour afforded delegates an opportunity to see the work of the University of Strathclyde students of Architecture and Urban Design, and tutors alike.

Following this, the group proceeded with a visit to the University's Institute for Future Cities, based at the newly-opened Technology and Innovation Centre. As the UK's Future Cities Demonstrator, Glasgow has established a City Observatory, to collect data sets around opportunity and challenges for the city, and power change through brokered collaboration. Visiting professor and former leader for Glasgow City Council, Gordon Matheson welcomed the delegation and took them through some insights and projects being developed at the Institute. Research consultant and PhD candidate Donagh Horgan, facilitated a discussion among the delegates around the opportunities of Smart Cities and the nature of collaboration within the Institute for Future Cities.

A day which introduced the context of opportunity in Glasgow, concluded with a specially arranged visit to the Glasgow City Chambers, in the city's George Square, where our visitors had a guided tour of this very unique late-Victorian public masterpiece. The delegation was particularly impressed by this welcome from the local authority, which will go further in cementing links between project partners and cities.

#### 1<sup>st</sup> June 2017

The second day – unusually warm for Glasgow, allowed the city to be seen in its best light and included a guided tour of selected architectural projects and developments across the city. The day began with registration as usual, which was followed by participants continuing to work in groups on editorial tasks, mixing presentations on achieved progress with dialogue around the format and content for selecting papers or contributions.

After lunch, participants assembled outside the university and were met by Dr. David Reat, Course Director Architecture Part 2 at the Department of Architecture, University of Strathclyde. Our delegates were then taken on a specially crafted bus tour of the city, beginning with the Athletes' Village built for the 2014 Commonwealth Games, a bespoke





state-of-the-art development intended to regenerate part of Glasgow's East End. The tour proceeded to the medieval origins of the city, before taking in important Victorian sights and architecture gems by Charles Rennie Mackintosh and other notable architects such as Zaha Hadid's Riverside Museum. This tour allowed the delegation to get a deep understanding of the unique context of resilience and sustainability in Glasgow, and what lessons may be shared with other similar post-industrial cities. The tour concluded in Glasgow's West End, where the delegation visited a local Irish pub and had an opportunity to sample some of the culture among the interesting housing typologies and neighbourhoods planned in the 19<sup>th</sup> century. This visit helped to network participants among themselves, and to build new links with the city and its inhabitants.

#### 2<sup>nd</sup> June 2017

The third and final day reconvened our delegates at their base at the Department of Architecture, at the James Weir Building, University of Strathclyde. The morning session followed the same format of beginning with the gathering and registration of participants. The project coordinator, Saja Kosanović, Faculty of Technological Sciences, University of Priština in Kosovska Mitrovica, recapped for those present on the outcomes of the Glasgow workshop so far. She then introduced the details of the 2nd phase internal review and what this would require, leaving time for discussion among coffee, tea and refreshments. This was succeeded by another discussion on the external review process and what would be expected of colleagues.

At the final lunch break, some participants were making arrangements for onward travel and thematic discussions continued within groups. An informal workshop on innovative learning methodologies to be applied at developed WB programmes concluded the Glasgow meeting for participants, and next steps were agreed among partners and individual teams. The afternoon was made free for delegates to visit particular sights of interest that had not been covered by our tour, and were met with again for a final celebratory drink convened by project assistant, Donagh Horgan. All in all, the Glasgow event was considered to be a great success, both in positing the University of Strathclyde as an important strategic partner and learning contributor to the project, and to introducing the situation and research base of Glasgow, in the context of the themes of sustainability and resilience. Many links have been made between institutions, which will continue to be of asset to the KLBAS project and other international research collaborations going forward.

## **ATTACHMENTS**

AGENDA (pdf):	USG_17_KLABS_agenda_080517.pdf
ATTENDANCE SHEET (pdf):	USG_17_KLABS_GLA_ws_attendance_01.pdf
PHOTOS (jpg):	USG_17_KLABS_images_CO_01.jpg - Visit to City Observatory, USG_17_KLABS_images_EX_01.jpg – Visit to End of Year exhibition.
NEWS FORM (pdf):	USG_17_KLABS_website_article_01.pdf
DELIVERABLE (pdf):	
PRESENTATIONS (pdf):	USG_17_KLABS_GLA_presentations_01.pdf
OTHER PERSONAL REMARKS	





Feedback from the academics of the University of Strathclyde who met the KLABS delegates during their visit and networking sessions was very positive. They were impressed by the enthusiasm and professionalism of the KLABS delegates from ten EU and non-EU universities.

Discussions about potential future collaboration have started, e.g. a proposal by the Faculty of Architecture, Civil Engineering and Geodesy at the University of Banja Luka, Bosnia and Herzegovina, to sign a Memorandum of Undertsanding with the Department of Architecture, University of Strathclyde.

## **ORGANISATION DETAILS**

INVITATION SENT TO:	All the KLABS partner universities.
DATE OF EVENT MATERIAL RELEASE:	08/05/2017
DATE OF PARTICIPANTS LIST'S FINALISATION:	03/05/2017
DATE OF AGENDA FINALISATION:	07/05/2017
NUMBER OF PARTICIPANTS (ACCORDING TO THE PARTICIPANTS LIST):	36
COMMENTS:	

There was a difference in the number of delegates that participated in the workshop and those that had signed up to attend. Four participants failed to show up at the workshop owing to personal or professional circumstances.

#### Problems encountered during the event preparation phase

Please add your comments, if any:	

#### **Strengths and limitations of the event** (please include comments received)

	All in all, the event was a great success regarding
	the planned work. Connections between
STRENGTHS OF THE EVENT AND	participants were renewed and strengthened and
CONTRIBUTIONS OR ACTIVITIES BY	new introductions were made with colleagues at
PARTICIPANTS:	the University of Strathclyde. It was also remarked
	that the cultural activities - especially the
	architectural tours – were particularly good in





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	orienting the visiting delegation. As mentioned above, networking of the KLABS delegates with the academics of the University of Strathclyde has assisted in establishing new links which could lead to other potential future collaborations. The KLABS partners and the academics of the University of Strathclyde expressed their appreciation of the opportunity to establish new links.
SUGGESTIONS FOR THE IMPROVEMENT:	Help was available with arranging for flights and travel. This advice should have been sought out among some participants who were unable to find easy flight connections to Glasgow.
ANY FURTHER COMMENTS:	One of the participants had to be taken to hospital during their visit to Glasgow for an existing medical condition. After receiving medical assistance, the participant felt sufficiently well to re-join the KLABS workshop. Due to the assistance provided by the medical team in Glasgow and the support given throughout the incident by the project assistant Donagh Horgan and one of the delegates, the incident had no impact whatsoever on the workshop.

Please indicate your suggestions for further event's improvement:

As the networking session between KLABS partners and academics of the University of Strathclyde was very much appreciated, it is suggested to organise similar sessions during the forthcoming KLABS workshops at other partner universities.

Location, date: Glasgow, 22 June 2017