

## Łódź (PL)

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Łódź ULSG hold 6 project meetings and several teleconferences. ULSG members also worked in smaller thematic teams concerning mini projects identified during preparation of LAP. Moreover they participated in the International workshop and Transnational Meeting in Łódź.



### City context and definition of the initial problem / policy challenge

Łódź is a post-industrial city situated in the center of Poland. Currently the city runs a wide range of important investments aimed at reversing the negative trends connected with unemployment, depopulation and downtown degradation. These investments among others include the New Centre of Łódź project with assumes revitalization of approx. 100 hectares in the heart of the city, along with revitalization of a former electro power plant (EC1) and post-railway areas. A construction of the underground Łódź Fabryczna station is being implemented within the New Centre of Łódź project since 2012. Łódź Fabryczna which was a station of a limited capacity is to become a major multimodal hub combined with a second important station (Łódź Kaliska) by a diametric tunnel which is supposed to run underneath the city.



Currently one of the main goals of Łódź is to stimulate and liven up the city center and to increase the benefits connected with the construction of a multimodal hub. That is why the city wants to change for example the structure of movements in order to increase the share of non-car travels as well as to improve the safety and quality of public spaces.



The action that Łódź wishes to be accompanied by each of the objectives is to activate the residents by their actual participation in the activities and life of their city.

## Setting of focus and objectives

The main project objective was strictly connected with issues and tasks concerning Łódź Fabryczna multimodal hub. ULSG has listed 13 mini-projects which could help the new railway station to become a more attractive and functional object. Finally two main lines of action were chosen and evaluated as the most feasible and effective in achieving the objectives desired by the city.

## Actions, funding scheme, and description of 2 main mini projects identified within the LAP

### Project I: Temporary landscaping of public spaces around the hub

Currently two major investments in the New Centre of Łódź area are being completed and are foreseen to be finished by the end of 2015: Łódź Fabryczna underground station along with the multimodal hub and revitalization of a former electro power plant (EC1). Between these projects there is an investment area of approx. 12 hectares called "Special Culture Zone", which is currently a big construction site. It is impossible to develop the entire area at the same time when the construction is over. Therefore in order to better integrate the New Centre of Łódź and hub area with the rest of the city it is important to create around the new multimodal station attractive temporary public spaces which in future will be systematically replaced by target investments.

**Project duration:** 2014 - 2030  
**conceptual and organizational phase:** 2014-2015  
**realisation phase:** 2016 - 20230

#### Funding scheme

- *Resources required*
  - ▶ Not defined yet
- *Potential sources of funding*
  - ▶ Creditor's founding
  - ▶ Łódź Municipality
  - ▶ Participatory budget
  - ▶ EU perspective 2014-20



Main type of risk	Steps to be taken	Categorisation
Temporary will become constant	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•mobility and flexibility of elements</li> <li>•opportunity to move public space in other location</li> </ul>	medium
Financing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•gaining external sponsors from the private sector</li> <li>•obtaining EU funds</li> <li>•building support for the project</li> </ul>	high
Low citizens' engagement	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•engagement of a social communication specialist</li> <li>•activities transparency</li> </ul>	medium
Devastation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•bringing functions which generate social activities</li> <li>•good quality of public space elements</li> </ul>	medium

### Project II: Łódź Communication Lab

The objective of this project is increasing the benefits of multimodal station. The project's assumption is conducting regular research on the station's users in 8-year perspective. The research will refer to transportation policy (traffic measurement, research on sociology, psychology and economy of transport) and adjusted to current needs caused by changes in Łódź railway node.

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**Funding scheme**

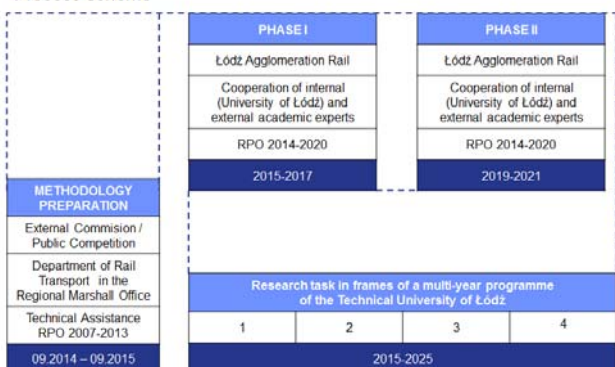
- Resources required
  - ▶ Over 9 000 000 PLN (approx. 2 146 860 €)
- Potential sources of funding
  - ▶ Technical University of Łódź
  - ▶ Łódź Agglomeration Rail (ŁKA)
  - ▶ Marshall Office of Łódź Region  
RPO 2014-20 (2015-17, 2019-21)
  - ▶ Road and Transport Management Office (ZDiT)
- Relation to the (emerging) priorities of ERDF and ESF 2014-20



Main type of risk	Steps to be taken	Categorisation
Lack of continuity on the research surveillance	• creating strong coordinating centre concerning research surveillance	high
Low level of cooperation between institutions - project partners	• consistent cooperation on each project stage	medium
Lack of actions implementing research results	• location.conscientiously research and conclusions	low



Process scheme



**Conclusions**

An added value of the Enter.Hub project is undoubtedly the opportunity to establish contacts between specialists from various municipal and regional institutions and activists, as well as to build horizontal relationships and interpersonal exchange of experience in the field of multimodal hubs and public transport problems. Experience gained from the work of the Local Support Group, the identification of best practices from partner cities and the practical knowledge of tools will allow members of the ULSG for active and effective participation in further work on the projects identified within LAP.Steps and actions that have been taken during Enter.Hub will have a strong and beneficial effect for the City of Łódź long after completion of the project.