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Dear Professor,

the Council for Culture of Space in Lublin (Rada Kultury Przestrzeni) would like to kindly ask you for permission to be able to announce its programme of educational activities in 2014 under the title of "Year of Jan Gehl".

The Council is an advisory body of the Mayor of Lublin, settled in 2011 by Mayor Krzysztof Żuk. Its members are professionals and "educated readers" of spaces from various circles and institutions whose goal is to raise the quality of spaces planning in Lublin and spread general culture of space. The notion space of culture has been consciously promoted in Lublin since the beginnings of social Forum for Culture of Space in 2005. Now the Forum has over 80 members and creates a circle of public bottom-up support for the Council (23 members).

We consider our city's potential as extremely valuable but fragile against current development pressures. Due to natural features and cultural heritage Lublin has a chance to be a fascinating place to live and to visit. On the other hand, passed period of stagnation encourages to accept any "modernizing" changes, with little reflect on their quality and context. Our aim is to built up an awareness for the quality of urban space and life among the people, who have an impact on that.

The "Year of" concept is frequently used in Poland to honour and celebrate important personalities and their works. By announcing "Year of Jan Gehl" we would like to popularise your sensitivity to human needs in people oriented city planning, your ideas and works as well as projects of Gehl Architects. We think it very important to educate inhabitants of Lublin on high quality of city space based on empathy to help people cooperate and build friendly relationships despite their

The programme of our educational activities is under construction. Its core consists of voluntary work of the Council and Forum members who will organise meetings, lectures, workshops and internet publications. Further, we plan to collect all ideas and apply for finances to support larger events.

With kind regards

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