

ZAGREB B40 SUMMIT 2026

“Cities as Drivers of Sustainable Development”

Sunday, 25 January 2026

19:00 – 21:00

Welcome Reception, Westin Hotel, 17th Floor

Monday, 26 January 2026

08:30

Coffee Station (open all day)

09:00 – 10:00

Family Photo

Opening Session

- Welcome speech by the City of Zagreb, Moderator (5 min)
- Speech on behalf of the founding president, Acting Mayor of Istanbul (10 min)
- Speech from B40 President, Mayor of Sofia – Annual Report (10 min)
- Announcement of new members & signing ceremony, featuring a brief introductory address by the Permanent Secretary, followed by introductions and short remarks from the new members (10 min)
- Term Presidency Transfer Ceremony
- Speech by Mr. Tomislav Tomašević – New President of the B40 Network (10 min)

10:00 – 11:15

Mayoral Panel 1

Green Transition, Resilient and Smart Cities: Urban Leadership in Climate, Energy Transformation, and Digital Innovation

11:15 – 11:45

Coffee Break & Networking

- Signing of the Declaration (during the coffee break at the roll-up)
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11:45 – 13:00

Mayoral Panel 2

Culture, Creative Industries and Tourism as Drivers of Urban Development, Integration and Inter-City Cooperation

13:00 – 13:15

Closing Remarks

13:15 - 15:00

Lunch (Buffet)

13:15 - 15:00

Ouvertira Room

Executive Committee Meeting

14:30 – 15:00 - Coffee

15:00 – 16:30

Roundtable on Democracy

Eurocities network member cities will participate in the roundtable, engaging in an interactive discussion, exchanging experiences, and sharing practical examples of **democratic practices** in cities.

16:30 – 18:00

Bilateral Meetings

Free time

19:30

Departure to the restaurant

20:00 – 22:00

Gala Dinner – Hotel Esplanade

Transfer to the Hotel

Tuesday, 27 January 2026

Site Visits:

- Option 1: Traditional walk through Zagreb's historic city center – from Upper Town to Kaptol
- Option 2: Visit to an innovation center and sustainable projects (e.g., green infrastructure projects, energy-efficient buildings)