



Our networks

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Krakow joined the ICORN International Cities of Refuge Network in 2011 as the first city in Central and Eastern Europe. In 2013, our city hosted the international conference "Writing Freedom" prepared in cooperation with ICORN and PEN International WiPC (Writers in Prison Committee). Currently, Robert Piaskowski, Plenipotentiary of the Mayor of the City of Krakow of Culture, represents Krakow, on the board of directors of the ICORN network.

Also, the municipal institution - the Villa Decius Institute of Culture and the Jagiellonian University signed a cooperation agreement in 2020 for the organization of the first stay in Poland for a scientist-refugee as part of "Scholars at Risk".

In 2021, Krakow joined the Intercultural Cities (ICC) program.

In 2022 we also joined The Femcities network, which was initiated in 1997 by Vienna as a cooperation platform for central and eastern European cities. The aim of the network is to bring cities and regions together, while developing urban equality policies and advancing women's rights at a local level. Continuous exchange of good practice and experience enables the members to develop equality projects and create more sustainable, effective solutions.

Kraków joined the network as a result of the implementation of the European Charter for Equality of Women and Men in Local Life, which defines the scope of cities' commitment to supporting gender equality. The Charter also obliges signatories to take part in international projects in the field. Kraków's participation in the network is coordinated by Nina Gabryś Plenipotentiary of the Mayor of the City of Kraków for Equality Policy,.