

# HCCR Telegram

## April .01

### Introduction

Dear Readers,

HCCR Telegram is a regular monthly publication that sums up the latest in the Healthy Cities Project in the Czech Republic, in particular the progress of the cities towards sustainable development, health and the quality of life (the compliance with international standards such as Health 21, Agenda 21 or NEHAP) by applying the methods of New Gate 21.

We hope that the hypertext form of this issue will provide greater “user comfort” in exchanging information among the Healthy Cities, expert partners and other people in the Czech Republic interested in this matter.

We look forward to receiving your queries, suggestions and comments at: [praha@nszm.cz](mailto:praha@nszm.cz).

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### Implementation of New Gate 21 Methodology in the CR

Within a few years, the Healthy Cities Project has become a well-tested support platform for the progress of cities towards local Agendas 21 (LA21), LEHAPs (local environmental health action plans), and other international standards (such as Health 21), recommendations and methods (such as ISO 14000, CP-EMS or PCM-LF).

Information regarding international standards, the implementation of which in cities can be facilitated by NG21 Methods:  
<http://www.nszm.cz/standard>

The methods of New Gate 21 (NG21) are used to prepare the City Health Development Plan (CHDP) that is subsequently incorporated in the City Development Strategy of HCCR. This process facilitates, *among others*, the application of LA21 principles and implementation of LEHAP. The initial effort is to start the process quickly and in the simplest manner possible. The basics of CHDP are, therefore, established in four short team workshops. Then, of course, comes the day-to-day work of co-ordinators in the Healthy Cities in order to gradually reduce CHDP to practice with the help of local partners (schools, non-governmental organisations) and expert partners (sanitation officers or municipal authority committees).

From the start, the CHDP process receives political backing through a declaration of the city with respect to Health 21, LA21 and LEHAP, approved by the municipal authorities.

## NG21 Events – April .01

April 2	Valašské Meziříčí (4 <sup>th</sup> – final – team CHDP/1 – 15 participants)
April 9	Boskovice (2 <sup>nd</sup> – large – team CHDP – 25 participants)
April 12	Nové Město n. M. (negotiations with the Healthy Cities Project co-ordinator)
April 12	Sedlčany (negotiations with the town's authorities)
April 18	Litoměřice (2 <sup>nd</sup> team CHDP + LA21 – 10 participants)
April 19	České Budějovice (2 <sup>nd</sup> – large – team CHDP – 15 participants)
April 19	Votice (negotiations with the town's authorities)
April 25	Třebíč (negotiations regarding the City Development Strategy)
April 26	Boskovice (3 <sup>rd</sup> – expert – micro team CHDP/1 – 10 participants)

## NG21 Events – May, June .01

By mid 2001, the preparations of CHDPs in the quality of LA21&LEHAP will have been in progress in **23 out of 28 member cities of NSZM CR**;

The basics of CHDP based on NG21 methods (LA21&LEHAP) have been prepared in the following cities: **Třebíč, Kroměříž, Zlín, Moravská Třebová, Sedlčany** [5];

The basics of CHDP are being prepared in the following cities:

**Brno, Boskovice, Třeboň, Karviná, Orlová, Litoměřice, Valašské Meziříčí, Prostějov, České Budějovice, Hodonín, Blansko** [11];

The preparation of CHDP basic version has been launched in the following cities:

**Frýdlant n. O., Šternberk, Votice, Poděbrady, Chrudim, Letovice, Veselí n. M.** [7];

A new political declaration pursuant to NG21 to include LA21&LEHAP has so far been adopted by the following cities: **Třebíč, Frýdlant n. O.** [2].

Detailed information regarding the progress of the Healthy Cities CR according to NG21:  
<http://www.nszm.cz/metodika>  
(for NG21 methods)  
<http://www.nszm.cz/plan>  
(for City Health Development Plan, guideline for the establishment and work of CHDP teams based on NG21 Methodology, and other issues)

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## HCCR League – April .01

The HCCR League below lists NSZM CR member cities according to their activity and their progress towards other international standards (such as LA21&LEHAP) through the international Healthy Cities Project and the system of NG21 methods. The evaluation includes but is not limited to the following:

- Support of the Healthy Cities Project, LA21&LEHAP from local politicians and authorities; Organisational backing of the Healthy Cities Project in the city; An active procedure adopted by the city pursuant to NG21 towards LA21&LEHAP; and Activity of the city within the Association.

The methods of NG21 include a detailed procedure adopted by the city – you will find designations of these steps in selected columns of the HCCR League tables. The legend to abbreviations and the necessary context are available at the address below:

### Most Active Cities – “Healthy Cities CR”

Cities that have created favourable conditions for the Healthy Cities Project and actively implement NG21

Order	City	Citizens in ths	NG21	CHDP	Membership + declaration
1-3	<a href="#">Třebíč</a>	39	B [2+ 2]	&	1996 + 2001
1-3	<a href="#">Brno</a>	387	B [1 1] eu	4	1994
1-3	<a href="#">Kroměříž</a>	29	C [2 0]	&	1996
4-5	<a href="#">Zlín</a>	82	C [2 0]	&	1996
4-5	<a href="#">Moravská Třebová</a>	11	C [2 0]	&	1997
6-7	<a href="#">Boskovice</a>	11	C [1 0]	4	1994
6-7	<a href="#">Třeboň</a>	9	C [1 ..]	3	1994
8-9	<a href="#">Karviná</a>	66	C [1 ..]	2	1994
8-9	<a href="#">Orlová</a>	36	C [1 x]	2	1997
10-11	<a href="#">Frýdlant nad Ostravicí</a>	9	C [1+ x]	1	1996 + 2001
10-11	<a href="#">Šternberk</a>	14	C [1 x]	1	1996

### Active Cities

Cities/municipalities that actively implement NG21

Order	City	Citizens in ths	NG21	CHDP	Membership ("Associate)
12	<a href="#">Sedlčany</a>	8	C [2 0]	&	2000“
13	<a href="#">Litoměřice</a>	25	C [1 0]	3	2000“
14	<a href="#">Valašské Meziříčí</a>	27	C [1 ..]	4	2000“
15	<a href="#">Prostějov</a>	49	C [1 ..]	3	2000“
16-17	<a href="#">České Budějovice</a>	99	C [1 ..]	3	2000“
16-17	<a href="#">Hodonín</a>	28	C [1 x]	2	1999“
18-19	<a href="#">Votice</a>	4	C [1 x]	1	1998
18-19	<a href="#">Poděbrady</a>	13	C [1 x]	1	1997
20	<a href="#">Blansko</a>	21	C [1 x]	2	1998“
21	<a href="#">Chrudim</a>	24	C [1 x]	1	2001“
22	<a href="#">Letovice</a>	6	C [1 x]	1	2000“
23	<a href="#">Veselí n.M.</a>	12	C [1 x]	1	1998“
24	<a href="#">Nové Město n.M.</a>	10	D [x x]	x	2001“ (new)

## Other Cities

Cities/municipalities not yet implementing NG21

Order	City	Citizens in ths	NG21	CHDP	Membership ("Associate)
25	<a href="#">Zlaté Hory</a>	4	D [x x]	x	1999“
26-27	<a href="#">Kašperské Hory</a>	4	D [x x]	x	2000“
26-27	<a href="#">Slavičín</a>	8	D [x x]	x	1996“
28	<a href="#">Kouřim</a>	1	D [x x]	x	1998“

Additional information regarding HCCR League  
(current status in the cities, rules, legend to tables):  
<http://www.nszm.cz/liga>

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## Media and Healthy Cities CR

### Media – April .01

Czech Radio broadcast its third live show from Healthy Cities, this time from the town of Sedlčany.

*NSZM CR thanks the Charles University Environmental Center for its assistance with organising the year-round series of Czech Radio shows broadcast from the Healthy Cities; we would also like to thank the town of Sedlčany for preparing for the broadcast, and the Czech Radio 2 staff for being highly professional and yet kind and tolerant when broadcasting from the towns.*

Interviews have been prepared with the Healthy Cities Project politicians in the towns of Boskovice and Zlín to be published in June and July 2001 in *Moderní obec*, a Czech magazine of modern municipalities.

### Media – May .01

Czech Radio will broadcast its fourth live show from the town of Kroměříž on May 25 (between 8 a.m. and 12 p.m.). An interview with Mr Burian, Mayor of the town of Sedlčany, will be published in *Moderní obec* 05.01.

Information on media, details of broadcasting, articles:  
<http://www.nszm.cz/media>

## Events Organised by Healthy Cities CR and Expert Partners

### **National Day without Injuries 2001**

**April 4, 2001**

The campaign included nationwide events as well as a number of events organised in the individual Healthy Cities.

### **April 3 – National Seminar of Expert Partners**

took place at the Czech Ministry of Health under the auspices of WHO CR and the Minister of Health.

### **April 4 – Healthy Cities Meeting on the Occasion of the National Day without Injuries**

with the participation of people interested in Safe Community took place in Kroměříž, a town that currently implements a pilot project of this international activity.

*NSZM CR thanks the Czech Ministry of Health, CEPÚ (Epidemiology and Injury Prevention Centre) and other expert partners for their co-operation in preparing the above events; we also thank the Healthy City of Kroměříž for hosting the meetings for Safe Community and for its active progress within the Safe Community program. We would also like to thank all the Czech cities and municipalities that had prepared their own Day without Injuries in co-operation with the local partners.*

### **Earth Day 2001**

**April 22, 2001**

This traditional, usually several-day event takes place in most all NSZM CR member cities in co-operation with a number of local partners.

*NSZM CR thanks all the Czech cities and municipalities that have taken part in this significant event this year.*

More information on Earth Day and activities in the Healthy Cities:  
<http://www.nszm.cz/denzeme>

### **NG21 Key Meeting**

### **Spring General Meeting of NSZM CR**

**Zlín, April 24, 2001**

At its regular General Meeting, NSZM CR elected a new Council and Audit Committee. NSZM CR is now chaired by Mgr. Ladislav Ambrozek (Deputy Mayor of Hodonín), with Mgr. Vlasta Bohdalová (Deputy Mayor of České Budějovice) as vice-chair and with other representatives of municipal authorities from the member cities of Brno, Kroměříž, Prostějov, Třebíč and Zlín.

*NSZM CR thanks the Healthy City of Zlín for hosting the above events.*

## **In May and June .01, We Are Preparing the Following Events**

### **International Conference of WHO and National Networks of the Healthy Cities of Europe**

**Brno, May 31 – June 2, 2001**

#### **Satellite Seminar**

**Brno, May 31, 2001**

An important meeting of WHO/EURO and the national networks of Healthy Cities from all over Europe. It is expected that an all-European association of the Healthy Cities national networks will be established at this conference. As part of the conference, NG21 Methods will be presented in an individual session. NSZM CR member cities can participate in the conference and make their own presentations in the form of posters or printed materials.

### **World No Tobacco Day 2001 / The Way to Clear Air**

**June 16, 2001**

The Healthy Cities are preparing to repeat the happenings that successfully took place in nine cities last year on the occasion of the World No Tobacco Day (WNTD).

More information on WNTD and activities in Healthy Cities:

<http://www.nszm.cz/wntd>

## Co-operation with HC Expert Partners – April .01

- Charles University Environmental Center works closely with NSZM CR on a series of shows broadcast by Czech Radio from individual member cities;
- In April, the Czech Cleaner Production Centre became the first non-governmental member of NSZM CR;
- Třebíč, a NG21 pilot town, in co-operation with the MS Team managerial agency is preparing a presentation of practical links between the City Health Development Plan and the City Development Strategy at the international WHO conference in Brno;
- At the same conference, the International Institute for Marketing, Communication and Entrepreneurship (IIMCE) will make a presentation of its “Communicating City” program;
- The Institute for Environmental Policy (IEP) offered NSZM CR to participate in the international REC (Regional Environmental Centre for Central and Eastern Europe) project; co-operation in the area of information is being considered;
- The Czech Environmental Institute (ČEÚ) continues to co-operate with NSZM CR in the area of LA21 (comments and suggestions from the autumn meeting of participants interested in LA21, held at the Czech Ministry of Environment, are used and developed), a platform is being prepared for an informational system on LA21 in the Czech Republic; and
- The Veronica Institute (in co-operation with STEP) provided the Healthy Cities with a Czech translation of major European political documents pertaining to sustainable development (among them, the Aarhus Convention or the Lisboa Plan).

Detailed information on co-operation with HC expert partners:

<http://www.nszm.cz/partneri>

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INFORMATION FOR NSZM CR MEMBER CITIES:  
Working diary of NSZM CR activities is available at:

<http://www.nszm.cz/termin>

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