



## Guidelines for PechaKucha

### PK4. Streets for Life

**14:00 - 15:30 Wednesday, 8th October, 2025 | Location: Base room**

This session explores how streets can transform from transport corridors into vibrant, inclusive spaces for people. Presentations address reclaiming streets for walking, wheeling, and play in London and Türkiye, balancing commerce and public life in Tirana, designing complete streets as social living rooms in India, and rethinking accessibility and public practice in Tirana and Bucharest. Speakers from the United Kingdom, Albania, Türkiye, India, and Romania will share diverse experiences and strategies for creating streets that are safe, accessible, and full of life.

### Presentation Type

PechaKucha is a presentation format where there is a show of a maximum of 20 images, each for 20 seconds. The images change automatically while presenters are talking, so that the storyline of the talk is built around the chosen images. There will be no time to digress or get hung up on a detail but it can be a very engaging and exciting session. Remember, the images of your talk automatically change after 20 seconds. There will be **various** presentations per session. After the talks are finished, the presenters and the audience will have time for discussion.

**Your session is scheduled as indicated above and in the [programme](#).**

**Session length:** 90 minutes.

### Speakers

*Please be aware that the speaker line-up may change.*

**Moderator: Angela Francke, Professor, University of Kassel, Germany.**

- **Tom Noble, 16** | *From movement to place – reclaiming street space for walking, wheeling, play and public life in the City of London, Portfolio Manager, City of London Corporation, United Kingdom.*
- **Joleza Koka, 88** | *Mediterranean Walkability—From Open Streets to Encroached Pavements. Balancing Public Life, Commerce, and Pedestrian Needs in a Densifying Tirana, Director, FABER, Albania.*
- **Keti Hoxha, 170** | *Rethinking Spatial Thresholds: Exploring Accessibility Disruptions in the Urban Settings of Tirana from the Perspective of People with Mobility Limitations, Lecturer/Researcher, POLIS University, Albania.*
- **Beyza Gurdogan, 218** | *How Playwork Can Reclaim Streets for Public Life, Architect and Urban Designer, Superpool, Türkiye.*



- **Bhawna Jha**, 232 | *Complete streets: the 'Living room' of our cities*, Project Associate, Raahgiri Foundation, India.
- **Maria Duda**, 333 | *The Street as Public Practice. A Brief Case Study of Bucharest*, Architect and Researcher, Baza. Deschidem orasul/INTBAU Ro, Romania.

## Session organisation

- A computer, a projector and a screen will be provided for your presentation.

## Moderator

- We encourage you to set up a meeting to get in touch with the speakers beforehand.
- Decide on the best order of presentations.
- Review the schedule below including the timings for presentations, Q&A and conclusions.
- Prepare a short introduction for each speaker. Biographies are available here: [Speaker Profiles](#). (If the profile information is not available, please contact the speakers directly.)
- Prepare comments, discussion points and/or questions to lead the Q&A and engage the audience.

## Speakers

- Prepare a **6 minute, 40 second** presentation - 20 slides in total. Each slide will be presented for 20 seconds, **kindly set each slide with this timing** and please do not go over time.
- Please use our conference template for your presentation: [W21 Tirana Presentation Slides Template](#), to edit it, please **download the template or make a copy of the file**.
- Name your presentation, including your session number and your last name, as follows: *PK4\_(last name)*.
- Upload your presentation file - **1 week before the event (Tuesday, 30 Sep)** in the following folder: [PK4. Streets for Life](#)

## Before your session

- Please make sure to arrive at the venue at least **15 minutes** before your scheduled session to set up your equipment and perform a technical check with our AV team. Its critical to the success of PechaKuchas to be well-prepared and punctual.

## During the session

- The session is **90 minutes** long and must start and end on time. This is critical for coordination of the event.

## Moderator

- Agree how speakers will be alerted to their time ending.



### Session schedule

- Introduction (3 minutes)
  - Welcome all attendees and introduce the speakers to the audience.
  - Remind the audience of the topic of the session.
  - Make the attendees aware that they can ask questions at the end. Questions will be moderated.
- Presentations
  - Give speakers 6 minutes and 40 seconds each for their presentation. Ensure speakers keep to their allotted time. This is very important to ensure all speakers have equal lengths of time despite when in the session they present.
- Q&A (30 min).
  - Engage the audience. Invite comments and questions, and guide the discussions.
  - Ensure anyone asking a question states their name and organisation.
  - If you feel the audience may not have heard a question, please repeat it.
- Conclusion (2 minutes)
  - Provide the conclusion
  - Thank the speakers
  - Thank all attendees

### Further Information

- We invite you to join the official [Walk21 Tirana WhatsApp Channel](#), where you'll receive reminders, announcements, and practical information to help you stay updated and get the most out of the conference.
- To promote your session on social media, please download or make a copy of our [Speaker Spotlight template](#), include your information, and share it on your channels and your organisation's platforms
- If you have any questions, please contact us at [tirana@walk21.com](mailto:tirana@walk21.com)