Green Connects – Irish Minister Visiting Krakow

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On Wednesday, 13th March, Krakow was visited by Mr.Kevin Moran, the Minister whose responsibilities in the Government of the Republic of Ireland involve public works, flood relief and heritage sites. One of the main points of Minister Moran`s stay in our City was a study visit to Zabłocie.

The Ministry delegates were accompanied by J.E.Emer O`Connell, the Irish Ambassador in Poland. During the meeting our Guests were greeted by Bogusław Kośmider, Deputy Mayor of Krakow. Piotr Kempf, Director of Municipal Green Company, presented the foundations of “The Vistula Connects” project and the implementation of “The Vistula Station” Park. Next, the Irish guests saw the most important projects at Zabłocie guided by Magdalena Wiechniak, Deputyty Director of Enterpreneurship and Innovation Department and Leszek Jasiński, specialist for urban regeneration. Minister Moran and Madam Ambassador expressed high appreciation of the effects of the City Government efforts aimed at changing the character of this area of Krakow.

See photographs from the meeting

Finally, our guests visited the father Laetus Bernatek footbridge which, to honour the important guest and also in connection with the coming St.Patrick` s Day, was highlighted in green.

See photographs from the greening

For a couple of years Krakow has been participating in the Global Greening Project, highlighting in green various structures in order to celebrate the National Irish Holiday. The Bernatka footbridge will shine green again on the coming Sunday, 17th March as well as the TAURON Arena and Lipska-Wielicka flyover.
Cities across Poland will turn landmarks green for St. Patrick’s Day. Polish landmarks will join the Empire State Building in New York, Niagara Falls, Sacré-Cœur Basilica in Paris, Leaning Tower of Pisa, the Sydney Opera House, as well as many other iconic sites around the world.