



Lenfonó: From Former Industrial Site to Innovation Park

Budakalász, Hungary

Budakalász, as a dynamically developing town in the Budapest metropolitan area, faces numerous challenges that are relevant even at the European level: the growing trend toward becoming a commuter town, the limited diversification of the local economy, and the presence of well-located but underutilized brownfield sites.

One of the city's key areas is the former Lenfonó industrial site located next to the H5 metropolitan train line, which holds significant potential for sustainable, transit-oriented (TOD) development. Budakalász intends to use this site as a case study to examine how brownfield sites can be transformed into innovation-driven, economically viable, and socially integrated urban spaces.

The city intends to join an URBACT Action Network—not as a lead partner but as a Project Partner—that focuses on brownfield rehabilitation and agglomeration mobility.

The main objectives of participation: During the project, Budakalász will establish an URBACT Local Group (ULG) to ensure the active involvement of residents, local businesses, transportation stakeholders, and the innovation sector.

- **international knowledge sharing** and the adaptation of best practices,
- **partnership-based cooperation** with European cities,
- as well as the application of **participatory planning processes** at the local level.

As a result of this collaboration, the city aims to develop an Integrated Action Plan (IAP) that contributes to the sustainable reuse of brownfield sites, strengthens the resilience of the local economy, and supports polycentric urban development based on fixed-track transportation.