



# **EU Cities: Canberra – Prague**

**International cooperation for innovation in urban development policy and practice: results and perspectives**

**11 October 2017**

# Canberra



PEOPLE  
**402,500**



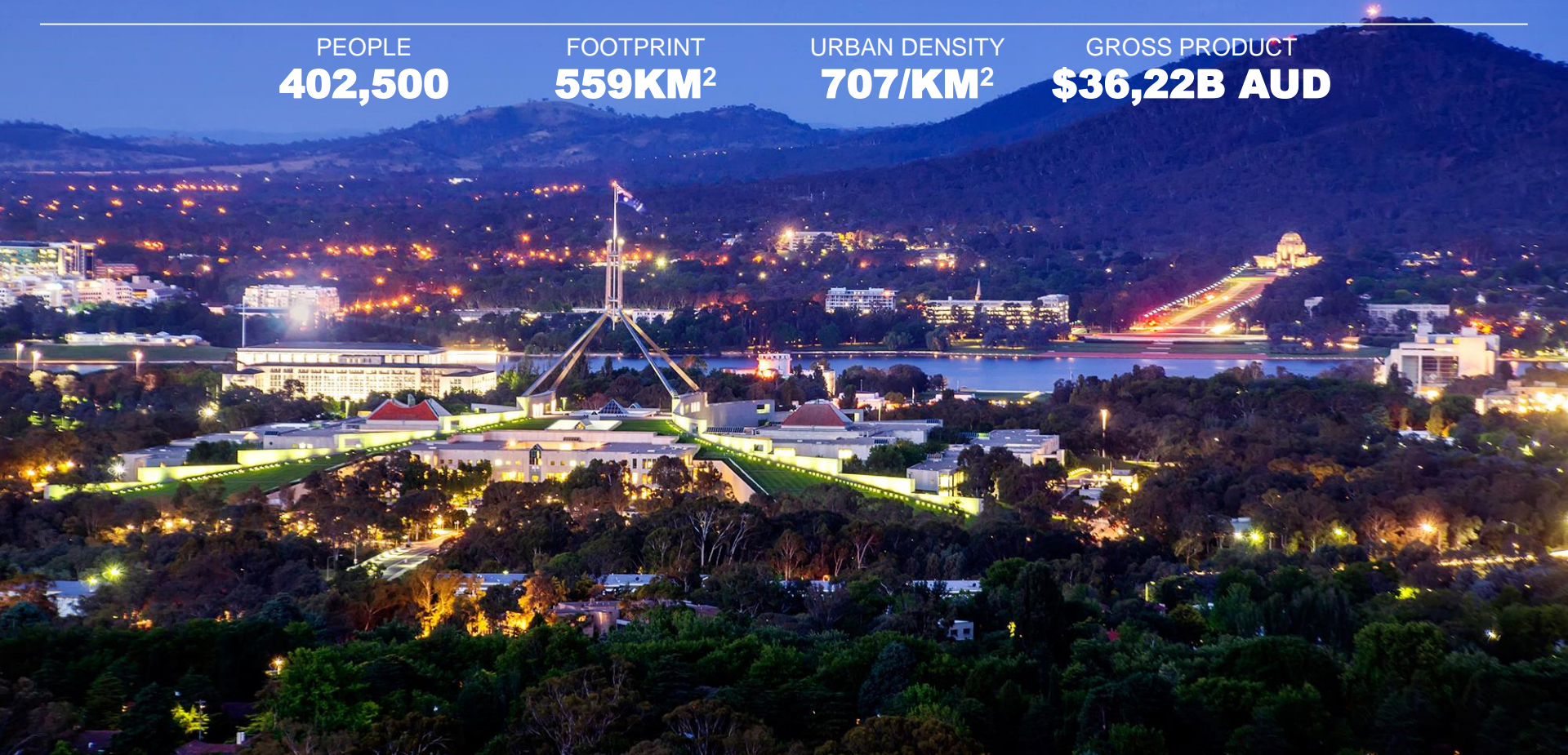
FOOTPRINT  
**559KM<sup>2</sup>**



URBAN DENSITY  
**707/KM<sup>2</sup>**



GROSS PRODUCT  
**\$36,22B AUD**





# Prague



PEOPLE  
**1,262,000**



FOOTPRINT  
**496KM<sup>2</sup>**



URBAN DENSITY  
**2,544/KM<sup>2</sup>**



GROSS PRODUCT  
**\$60,41B AUD**



# Canberra Delegation to Prague: 28 to 30 August 2017

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Meetings and activities relating to urban development, business innovation and city growth:

- Meeting with EU Officials at New City Hall, Prague
- Urban architecture walks in the Holesovice area
- Technology Transfer & Incubation at the Prague Start-Up Centre
- Business Incubation at the Prague Startup Centre
- Operator ICT
- University Centre for Energy Efficient Building



# Signing of the Letter of Intent: 29 August 2017

Letter of Intent signed between Prague Start Up Centre and the ACT Government, committing to:

- Collaboration and knowledge sharing about urban renewal and sustainable growth
- Mutual exchange regarding renewable and sustainable energy initiatives
- Collaboration for the development of sustainable transport solutions
- Mutual exchange regarding smart city technologies and implantation
- Collaboration for the development of community services and affordable housing solutions
- Mutual exchange of delegations that connect businesses of each city
- Jointly support innovation and entrepreneurship through the collaboration of start-up ecosystems



# Key Learnings from Prague

- Prague's approach to Smart City development focuses on efficiencies and process outcomes rather than simply technology
- Smart city innovation is supported by partnerships with industry, including incubation and start-up support
- Focus on research, development and supporting knowledge and capacity within these industries
- City revitalisation through mixed use repurposing of disused industrial zones, creating highly appealing neighbourhoods in which to live and work
- Heritage redevelopment should focus on outcomes that support the heritage use and values of the space, rather than simply preservation of built form outcome
- Targeted industry, research and development has enabled the development of regional expertise in renewable energy and building energy efficiency



# Ongoing Exchange: Prague and Canberra

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Canberra and Prague will continue to develop their relationship through a number of key exchanges:

- Representative of the European Space Agency Business Incubation Centre Prague invited to deliver workshop in Canberra on supporting business to develop space-related technology
- EU World Cities meeting in Canberra in March 2018
- Joint support for innovation and entrepreneurship through collaboration on start-ups and developing an exchange program
- Ongoing exchange of knowledge and learnings in relation to urban renewal and business innovation





**THANK YOU**