

# COMMITTEE ON SOCIAL INCLUSION, PARTICIPATORY DEMOCRACY AND HUMAN RIGHTS

## **2016 BIANUAL MEETING**

#### AGENDA

**Date:** Friday, July 22<sup>st</sup>, 2016 **Time:** 1.00 – 4.00 pm

Venue: Asia Culture Center - Conference Hall A

The 2016 meeting will be held in the Co-President Metropolis of Gwangju, thanks to Mayor YOON initiative to hold the Committee Meeting and the World Human Rights Cities Forum at the same time. It will gather some 40 members of the Committee and its partners but also new representatives of Local Government who are interested in knowing and gathering the network for Human Rights Cities and the Right to the City. Committee meetings are used to be strong gatherings for the life of the committee. They allow sharing concerns, and promoting a collective strategy to strengthen and operationalize Human Rights cities and the Right to the City, from local level to global levels.

#### 1. Background and goals of the meeting

Within the Worldwide Organization of Local and Regional Government <u>UCLG</u>, the <u>Committee on Social Inclusion</u>, <u>Participatory Democracy and Human Rights</u> aims to contribute to articulating a common voice for cities on social inclusion, participatory democracy, human rights, and the right to the city, as well as to advise Local Governments on the design, implementation and monitoring of these policies.

The origins of the Committee lie in the first events of the **Forum of Local Authorities for Social Inclusion and Participatory Democracy** (FAL), a space for political discussion made up by local authorities from all over the world with civil society which has taken place since 2001 in the framework of the World Social Forum (WSF).

The Committee promotes localization of Human Rights and the Right to the City, in alliance with civil society, academic sector and United Nations agencies. To that end, it has some tools such as the <u>Global Charter-Agenda for Human Rights in the City</u>, of the <u>European Charter for the Safeguarding of Human Rights in the City</u> and the document <u>For a World of Inclusive Cities</u>.

Besides this, it has undertaken its own political work to foster local policies of social inclusion, participatory democracy, human rights and right to the city through different type of activities: advocacy, exchange of experiences, production of knowledge and networking.

Finally, since 2014, the Committee has been actively participating in the Definition of the Habitat III Agenda in order to promote fair, democratic, inclusive and sustainable cities and human settlements. This involvement, in collaboration with civil society partners, has been achieved through several ways:

Involvement into the work of the Global Task Force of Local and Regional Governments.
 This Task Force gathers the main networks of Local and Regional Authorities and is



- coordinated by UCLG to bring the messages of local governments towards international political processes and conferences.
- Building substantive proposals of local governments, particularly on peripheral cities and inclusive cities issues, through a strong follow up of the Definition of the <a href="Habitat III">Habitat III</a>
  <a href="Agenda">Agenda</a>
- Involvement into the <u>Global Platform for the Right to the City</u>. This Platform gathers civil society and local authorities' organizations since 2014 with the aim of promoting the right to the city in the world and in particular in the definition of the New Global Urban Agenda.

#### 3. Program

Timetable	Agenda
13.00-13.30	Welcome and presentation of the participants
13.30-14.00	Presentation of the 2015 Committee work (Activities Report and Financial Reports)
14.00-15.00	Presentation and exchange: How to strengthen the global alliance to promote and enhance Human Rights at local level and the right to the city?
15.00-15.45	Strategic lines and proposals
15.45 - 16.00	International Agenda

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# Program of the 2016 Meeting Committee on Social Inclusion, Participatory Democracy and Human Rights of UCLG

#### Welcoming words and introduction speech

> Dr. YOON, Mayor of Gwangju

"Gwangju's commitment, to strengthen International Network of Human Rights Cities"

13:00-13:30

## Participants' presentation

**Moderator:** : Magali Fricaudet, Coordinator of the Committee on Social Inclusion, Participatory Democracy and Human Rights of UCLG, Kim Soo A, Directress of Human Rights of Gwangju Cityhall

# Brief description of the background, mission, Presentation of the work undertaken by strategic priorities and activities undertaken by the Committee in 2015 the Committee since its creation. Presentation of the results of 2015. Antonio Aniesa on behalf of the Background documents: Representation of the President of the Urban > 2015 Activities Report Community of Plaine Commune 2015 Financial Report > Magali Fricaudet, Coordinator of the > <u>European Charter for Human Rights in</u> 13:30-Committee on Social Inclusion, Participatory the City (2000) 14:00 Democracy and Human Rights of UCLG World Charter for the Right to the City (2004)Open debate From COP21 to Habitat III, local governments and citizens advocacy work Mexico City Declaration (2015) Global Charter Agenda for Human Rights to the City (2011) **Gwangju Human Rights Charter (2012)** Presentation and exchange: How to strengthen the global alliance for Human Rights Cities to promote and enhance the Right to City at local level and the right to the city? What are the main challenges to protect, fulfill and promote Human Rights at local level? Stefany Campins, on behalf of Juan Ramón Amieva, Mexico City Secretary for Social Integration Mugyanto, INFIY How to frame local policies into Human Rights- based approach? 14:30-15:30 > Núria Martínez, Barcelona Head of Department for Citizenship How can the local level be articulated with the global sphere? How can international networks contribute to strengthen Human Rights at local level? Jyoti Sanghera, Officer at the UN Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights Morten Kjaerum, Director of Raoul Wallenberg Institute for Human Rights Anselmo Lee, Member of Human Rights City Task Force Facilitator: José Tellers, 1st Deputy Mayor of Badalona Cityhall, Magali Fricaudet, coordinator of UCLG Committee on Social Inclusion, Participatory Democracy and Human Rights Strategic guidelines for the period 2016-2018 Strengthening and spreading the international network of cities for Human Rights and the 15:00-Right to the City 15:45 > Gyonggu Shin, Director of the World Human Rights City Forum, Gwangju, South Korea

Advocacy

Bachir Kanouté, Coordinator of ENDA –ECOPOP, Global Platform for the Right to the City

Research, documentation, information and structural support of UCLG:

Antonio Aniesa, on behalf of the Representation of the President of the Urban Community of Plaine Commune

Learning and Monitoring

Magali Fricaudet, coordinator of UCLG Committee on Social Inclusion, Participatory Democracy and Human Rights

#### Open Floor for Initiatives and Suggestions

#### **International Agenda**

7th World Human Rights Cities Forum

Kim Soo A, Director of Human Rights, Gwangju, South Korea

Agenda of Meetings and Seminars

Antonio Aniesa, Collaborator of Patrick Braouezec on international and metropolitan issues, International Relations

15:45-16:00 Towards the Implementation of the Right to the City: thematic issues

Presentation of the call for the organization of an international seminar for the Right to the City
Presentation of the Call for Human Rights Monitoring
Project

Magali Fricaudet, Coordinator of CISDP

Facilitator: **Stefany Campins,** on behalf of Juan Ramón Amieva, Mexico City Secretary for Social Integration

#### Background documents:

- 2016 Action Plan
- Call for candidacies for the organization of the International Seminar of Local Governments for the Right to the City
- Mexico Declaration "Financing the City for all"
- Barcelona Declaration on Homelessness
- Report on the impact of Bogota's social policies in terms of Human Rights
- Program and Final Declaration of the 1st World Summit of Local Governments for the Right to the City (Saint-Denis)