The Committee aims to contribute to articulating a common voice for cities in UCLG on social inclusion, participatory democracy and human rights, and to advise local governments on the design of these policies.

To that end, the Committee fosters political debate, exchange of experiences and the collective generation of new knowledge in order to establish guidelines for designing and implementing innovative local policies on social inclusion, participatory democracy and human rights.
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LEADERSHIP AND GOVERNANCE
LEADERSHIP, VISION AND STRATEGY, COMMUNICATION

- Organization, within the framework of the 5 World Forum on Human Rights (May 22-25, 2013, Nantes, France) of an internal meeting of the Committee to prepare the next political mandate (2014-2016).

- Organization, within the framework of the 4 UCLG World Congress (1-4 October 2013, Rabat, Morocco) of a plenary meeting of the Committee to discuss the 2011-2013 mandate and present the proposals for work and government for the next mandate (2014-2016).

- Political participation in statutory meetings of UCLG: Executive Bureau (15-17 May, Lyons, France) and the World Congress (1-4 October, Rabat, Morocco).

- Political participation in various international events to highlight the importance of local policies for social inclusion, participation and
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human rights (the events are listed below).

- Expansion and diversification of Committee members in order to have a more diverse range of cities, both geographically and in terms of size.

- Dissemination of the three publications by the Committee: For a world of inclusive cities, the Global Charter-Agenda for Human Rights in the City and the European Charter for the Safeguarding of Human Rights in the City.

- Management of the new Committee website and regular updates to improve its structure and content. Optimized use of social networks as a communication tool by the Committee and an interactive mechanism for dialogue with its members and partners.

- Creation, through the Working Group on Local Economic Development (hereinafter WG LED) of a website for this group.
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**REPRESENTATION**

Recognition, political positioning and promotion of policies

- Support for the organization of the 5 World Forum on Human Rights (22-25 May, Nantes, France) to contribute to the participation of leading cities and the exchange of local policies on social inclusion and human rights. In specific terms, we will coordinate a panel on the **fight against urban poverty**, which will examine particular experiences of how to deal with the negative effects of the economic crisis and uneven development on underprivileged groups.

- Design and implementation of a strategy to promote the signing of the **Global Charter-Agenda for Human Rights in the City**. Organization of a symbolic ceremony for the signing of the Charter-Agenda at the V World Forum on Human Rights (22-25 May, Nantes, France).

- Support for the organization of the **3 World Human Rights Cities Forum** (15-18 May 2013, Gwangju, South Korea), the 3 World Forum...
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for Suburban Local Authorities - FALP (11-13 June, Canoas - Brazil),
the 13 Conference of the International Observatory on Participatory
Democracy - OIDP (1st week of July, Cascais, Portugal).

- Organization of a panel for discussion and *exchange of good practices* on the right to the city at the 4 UCLG Congress (1-4 October, Rabat, Morocco).

- Launch of the terms of reference governing the organization of the 2 *World Summit of Local Governments for the Right to the City* (which will take place in 2014) and the initial preparatory work.

- Development of a position paper on *local economic development* policy through WG LED.

- Organization of the 2 *World Forum of Local Economic Development* Agencies (24-26 October, Foz do Iguaçu, Brazil) through WG LED.
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- Consolidation of **political dialogue with United Nations agencies** (specifically UNESCO and UN HABITAT), with **European institutions** (the Council of Europe and the European Union Agency for Fundamental Rights) and other relevant international organizations in order to raise awareness of the Final Declaration of the 2 World Summit of Local Governments for the Right to the City, and to create strategic alliances with a view to holding the II World Summit of Local Governments for the Right to the City.

- Establishment of channels through WG LED for political dialogue and joint work with **ART UNDP, UN HABITAT** and the **European Commission** in the field of local economic development.

- Participation in the collective reflection by UCLG to prepare the organization's contributions to the **Millennium Goals Summit** (2015) and the **Habitat 3rd Summit** (2016).
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**KNOWLEDGE**
Collection, analysis and sharing of knowledge and information

- Expansion of the Inclusive Cities Observatory with new case studies on policies to combat urban poverty. Design and implementation of a dissemination strategy for the Observatory.

- Preparation of the report of the **1st World Summit of Local Governments for the Right to the City** and coordination of a book with articles written the speakers for a detailed compilation of all the experiences presented during the meeting.

- Coordination of a **network of key actors for the right to the city** (cities, representatives of civil society and social movements and researchers) based on the participants at the 1st World Summit of Local Governments for the Right to the City and identification of best practices on the right to the city.
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- Creation of a **database on local economic development** through WG LED.

- Participation in the steering committee of the UCLG study **GOLD III on basic services**.
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**COOPERATION**

Development of concepts, strengthening of capacities of local governments and mobilization of resources

- Support for UCLG in the implementation of programmes aimed at fostering **decentralized cooperation** and **mutual learning**.

- Promotion of exchanges and **technical assistance** for local economic development through WG LED.
ORGANIZATION
Relations with the UCLG’s members, regional committees and sections, with networks of cities and with other international partners

- Collaboration with regional sections and other UCLG working committees.

- Coordination of the WG LED with the Development Cooperation and City Diplomacy Committee and the Decentralization and Local Autonomy Committee.

- Coordination of the Local Authorities Forum for Social Inclusion and Participatory Democracy (FAL), the Forum of Peripheral Local Authorities (FALP) and the International Observatory on Participatory Democracy (OIDP) by supporting the organization of their activities (see above).

- Reinforcement of local economic development networks through the WG LED.