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Committee on Social Inclusion, Participatory Democracy and Human Rights Launch of Global Platform on the Right to the City

Dear members,

The Committee on Social Inclusion, Participatory Democracy and Human Rights is pleased to inform you about the **creation of a Global Platform on the Right to the City**, during the International Meeting on the Right to the City, which took place from the 12th to the 14th of November 2014 in Sao Paulo, Brazil.

The Committee on Social Inclusion, Participatory Democracy and Human Rights is part of the eighteen organizers of this Meeting coordinated by Polis Institute (Brazil), National Forum on Urban Reform (Brazil) and Habitat International Coalition (HIC). The International Meeting on the Right to the City gathered **158 participants** come from Latin America, Africa, Asia and Europe, bringing together a total of **104 institutions** from local, regional, national and international levels.

The main goals of the Platform are contributing to the adoption of commitments, public policies, plans and actions in order to build **fair, democratic, sustainable and inclusive cities**.

In that way, an Action Plan was discussed during the Meeting. It consists in four lines:

- **Strategies of advocacy** for the right to the city, in order to influence national and local government's policies, and to have an impact on the definition of the New Post-2015 Agenda and United Nations' Conference on Housing in 2016 (Habitat III)
- **Research, training and Capacity Building** on the right to the city
- **Communication, awareness and cultural dimension** of action for the right to the city
- **Articulation and alliances** of the Global Platform on the right to the city

The building process of the Global Platform on the Right to the City will continue at the beginning of 2015, during the **World Social Forum in Tunis** (24-28 March), where many activities – such as working groups, training, meetings – are planned, and during the **Second Preparatory Meeting (PrepCom) of Habitat III** in Nairobi, Kenya (14-16 April), two strategic places to strengthen the right to the city's implementation.

This Platform is open to all organizations sharing its principles and its goals.

For further information, you can consult the [Platform's website](#) where all Meeting's documents will be available. You can also refer to the part of the [committee's website dedicated to the Meeting](#) or contact the Executive Secretariat: m.fricaudet@uclg.org.

Sincerely,

The UCLG World Secretariat

on behalf of the Committee on Social Inclusion, Participatory Democracy and Human Rights

Please click on the links below to access the following documents:

- [Statement of Outcomes of the International Meeting on the Right to the City](#)

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