

## **UCLG COMMITTEES AND WORKING GROUPS**

## COMMITTEE ON SOCIAL INCLUSION AND PARTICIPATIVE DEMOCRACY (CSIPD)

OF UNITED CITIES AND LOCAL GOVERNMENTS

## WORKING GROUPS OF THE COMMITTEE

## **CIRCULAR 19**

Dear Members,

In order to strengthen implementation of the Work Plan 2008 - 2010, recently validated at the  $1^{\rm st}$  Biannual Meeting of the CSIPD, we invite you to join any of the following Committee Working Groups that are coordinated by the cities indicated below:

- Social Inclusion (Barcelona, Spain)
- Participative Democracy (Ecatepec de Morelos, Mexico)
- o Human Rights and Local Governments (Nantes Pays de la Loire, France)

The attached documents include intended activities and implementing principles for each of the Working Groups:

- ✓ <u>Working Plan 2008 2010</u> (page 2 3), describing the objectives and commitments of each of these Working Groups
- ✓ Policy position papers on
  - o Social Inclusion
  - o Participative Democracy
  - o Human Rights and Local Governments

Participation in any of these Working Groups does not exclude taking part in other areas. The Working Groups are not intended to operate as independent sections, rather as a way structuring contributions towards more dynamic and sustained networking.

Please notify the Executive Technical Secretariat of your participation before **13 June** via e-mail <a href="mailto:cisdp@localgovernments.org">cisdp@localgovernments.org</a> or by calling +34 93 342 87 70 (for the attention of Eva Garcia Chueca).

We also take this opportunity to inform you that two of these Working Groups are organizing meetings in the framework of the following events:

- ✓ Meeting of the Working Group "Human Rights and Local Governments", on the occasion of the 3<sup>rd</sup> World Human Rights Forum, 30 June 3 July 2008 (Nantes, France). Object: Discussion on the World Charter Agenda of Human Rights in the City draft.
- ✓ Meeting of the Working Group "Participative Democracy", on the occasion of the FLACMA Congress, 28 – 30 August 2008 (Mexico). Object: Discussion on the participative democracy policy proposal.

Please do not hesitate to contact us should you require any further information.

Yours faithfully,

The World Secretariat on behalf of the Committee on Social Inclusion and Participative Democracy