Dear members,

We are pleased to announce that the cities of Aubervilliers and Saint-Denis, and the conurbation authority of Plaine Commune, at the invitation of the Committee on Social Inclusion, Participatory Democracy and Human Rights of UCLG, will be organizing from 10 - 12 December 2012 the "1st World Summit of Local Governments for the Right to the City".

This event is envisaged as a new step after the conferences of the European Charter for the Safeguarding of Human Rights in the City, drafted in Barcelona (1998), adopted in Saint-Denis (2000), and discussed in Venice (2002), Nuremberg (2004), Lyon (2006), Geneva (2008) and Tuzla (2010). Today, besides the European Charter, there is the Global Charter-Agenda for Human Rights in the City, adopted by UCLG at the World Council held in Florence (2011). Other local human rights charters have also been adopted in various cities of the world. And many other cities, without having signed any document, are implementing innovative policies and are engaged in similar processes. It is thus a good moment to make these initiatives meet and dialogue. For all this, we suggest organizing this 8th Conference as the "1st World Summit of Local Governments for the Right to the City". This forum will be a space to discuss, exchange experiences and give visibility to the commitment of cities for the right to the city.

With this background, the cities of Aubervilliers and Saint-Denis, and the conurbation authority of Plaine Commune are pleased to invite you or your representative to the first preparatory meeting of the Summit to be held in Saint-Denis (France) on 13 July 2012 at Plaine Commune headquarters.
Please, find the **documentation** of the meeting in the links below:

- Invitation Letter (English)
- Draft agenda
- Concept note of the “1st World Summit of Local Governments for the Right to the City”
- Registration form *(to be filled in before 2 July 2012)*

The **European Charter for the Safeguarding of Human Rights in the City** and the **list of signatory cities** are available on the Committee’s website:  

We kindly invite you to follow the latest news of the “1st World Summit of Local Governments for the Right to the City” on **Twitter** (@uclg_cisd) and **Facebook** [http://on.fb.me/KpMlOq](http://on.fb.me/KpMlOq).

Please, do not hesitate to contact the Committee’s secretariat should you need any further information (email: [e.chueca@uclg.org](mailto:e.chueca@uclg.org); telephone +34 93 342 87 70).

Best regards,

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**The World Secretariat**

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