

UCLG COMMITTEES AND WORKING GROUPS

COMMITTEE ON SOCIAL INCLUSION, PARTICIPATORY DEMOCRACY AND HUMAN RIGHTS

2012 Activities Report and 2013 Action plan

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Dear members,

We are pleased to send you **2012 Activities Report** and **2013 Action Plan** of the UCLG Committee on Social Inclusion, Participatory Democracy and Human Rights.

The Activities Report resumes all Commission activities throughout **2012**, an intensive working year which ended with the organization of the "1st World Summit of Local Governments for the Right to the City", celebrated in Saint-Denis (France) on December 11th and 12th, 2013.

However, 2012 was also the scene of several other activities; among them, we can name the followings:

- Co-organization of the international seminar "Water: a common good of humanity. An issue at stake for the right to the city" (Aubagne, March 13th, 2012).
- Political promotion of the *Global Charter-Agenda for Human Rights in the City* by taking part to the "2nd *World Human Rights Cities Forum"* (15 18 May 2012, **Gwangju**, South Korea).
- Dissemination of the *Inclusive Cities Observatory* through communication material and through the participation to the *Congress "Cities are us. Rethinking Urban Inclusion. Spaces, mobilizations and interventions"* (*Coimbra, 28 30 June 2012*) and the *Summer School on "Rethinking the City through democratic and civic participation: theories, methods and practices"* (**Lisbon, 2 7 July 2012**).
- Reinforcement of the communication strategy through a new Webpage, the launching of three publications and the active use of social networks.



Additionally, the **2013 Action plan** for the current year is as rich in activities as last year. Some of the activities to be undertaken will be:

- Organizing a round table on the fight against urban poverty within the framework of the "5th World Forum on Human Rights" (May 22-25, 2013, **Nantes**, France).
- Co-organizing a debate on the right to the city and to solidarity-based metropolises within the framework of the 4th UCLG World Congress (1-4 October 2013, Rabat, Morocco).
- Preparing the report of the 1st World Summit of Local Governments for the **Right to the City** and starting the organization of the second edition of this event, which will take place in 2014.
- Foster the Local Economic Development Working group.

We invite you to click on the following links to download both documents:

- 2012 Activities Report
- 2013 Action plan

We would like to take this opportunity to kindly invite you to follow the latest news of the UCLG Committee on Social Inclusion, Participatory Democracy and Human Rights through Facebook and Twitter.

Best regards,

The UCLG World Secretariat

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