



## COMMITTEE ON SOCIAL INCLUSION, PARTICIPATORY DEMOCRACY AND HUMAN RIGHTS

### 1<sup>ST</sup> 2015 BIANUAL MEETING

#### PROGRAM

**Date:** Monday, May 21<sup>st</sup>, 2015

**Time:** 1.30 – 4.00 pm

**Venue:** Hotel Hilton Mexico City Reforma

#### Background and goals of the meeting

The Committee on Social Inclusion, Participatory Democracy and Human Rights aims to contribute to articulating **a common voice for cities in UCLG on social inclusion, participatory democracy, human rights, and the right to the city**, as well as to advise local governments on the design of these policies.

The origins of the Committee lie in the first events of the **Forum of Local Authorities for Social Inclusion and Participatory Democracy (FAL)**, a space for political discussion made up by local authorities from all over the world which has taken places since 2001 in the framework of every World Social Forum (WSF).

Since its creation in 2005, the Committee has been present at the various FAL events and has maintained an ongoing dialogue with international social movements and civil society in the international social forums held in **Caracas**, 2005; **Nairobi**, 2007; **Belém do Pará**, 2009; **Dakar**, 2011; **Tunis**, 2013 and 2015. It has thus become the bridge between the political debates held inside the FAL (and WSF) and UCLG.

Besides this, it has undertaken its own political work to foster local policies of social inclusion, participatory democracy, human rights and right to the city through different type of activities: **advocacy, exchange of experiences, production of knowledge and networking**.

Some of the tangible results of our work up to date are:

- Organisation of the [1<sup>st</sup> World Summit of Local Governments for the Right to the City](#) (Saint-Denis, 2012) that was attended by around 200 participants and a total of 40 speakers from 16 countries (Austria, Belgium, Bosnia-Herzegovina, Brazil, Burundi, Canada, France, Mexico, Portugal, Senegal, Slovenia, Spain, South Korea, Switzerland, The Netherlands, and the United States of America).
- The [Global Charter-Agenda for Human Rights in the City](#), adopted by UCLG in 2011, and the [European Charter for Human Rights in the City](#) (Saint-Denis, 2000). The goal of these tools lies in the implementation of the **right to the city** through municipal policies and citizens' involvement in the design, monitoring and evaluation of these.
- The [Inclusive Cities Observatory](#), a virtual platform launched in 2009 that contains 65 case studies on innovative policies for community development, access to public services, gender equality, environmental protection or poverty eradication, among other issues. This tool aims to promote the exchange of good practices and learning between cities.



- The document "[For a world of inclusive cities](#)", adopted in 2008 by UCLG, which is now the political position on social inclusion of the international organization
- Organization of the **1<sup>st</sup> International Seminar of Innovative Local Policies for Social Inclusion** (Barcelona, 2007) involving 15 cities around the world to exchange experiences and good practices.
- Numerous [debates and round tables](#) on social inclusion, participatory democracy, human rights and right to the city, which took place in the framework of several international events, organized by city networks, United Nations agencies or civil society organizations.
- Political cooperation with several **city networks** (the [FAL](#), [Forum of Local Authorities for Social Inclusion and Participatory Democracy](#); the FALP, [Forum of Peripheral Local Authorities](#); the IOPD, [International Observatory on Participatory Democracy](#); [Mercociudades](#)...), others **UCGL committees** (Culture, Local Economic Development) and with **civil society organizations** (HIC – [Habitat International Coalition](#); IDHC, [Human Rights Institute of Catalonia](#); [Polis Institute](#), Brazil; [CIVICUS](#); KHRF – [Korea Human Rights Foundation](#)). This networking has led to advocacy initiatives and exchange of experiences, such as the launch of a [political declaration](#) on the concept note of the 7<sup>th</sup> World Urban Forum (Medellín, April 2014), signed by the Committee, the FALP, Mercociudades and HIC; participation at the [3rd FALP](#) (Canoas, June 2013) or at the International Seminar "Climate change: a challenge for the construction of a sustainable and solidarity-based metropolis (São Leopoldo and Canoas, January 2012), organized by the FALP; among others initiatives.
- **Institutional collaboration** with international organizations such as [UNESCO](#), [UN-HABITAT](#), [ILO](#), the European Union (EU) [Fundamental Rights Agency](#) (FRA) and the [Council of Europe](#) (CoE).
- **Communication tools:** a webpage ([www.uclg-cisd.org](http://www.uclg-cisd.org)), newsletters, mailing of circulars to members, active presence in social networks (Facebook: [cisd](#); Twitter: [uclg\\_cisd](#)), brochures and launch of a small collection of publications that includes the [European Charter for Human Rights in the City](#), the [Global Charter-Agenda for Human Rights in the City](#) and [For a World of Inclusive Cities](#).

Finally, since 2014, the Committee has been actively participating in the Definition of the New Global Urban Agenda in order to promote the right to the city, human rights, participation and social inclusion. This involvement, in collaboration with civil society partners, has been achieved through several ways:

- Involvement of Patrick Braouezec, Co-president of the Committee on Social Inclusion, Participatory Democracy and Human Rights into the work of the [Global Task Force](#). This Task Force is coordinated by UCLG to bring the messages of local governments for the New Agenda.
- Building substantive proposals of local governments, particularly on peripheral cities and inclusive cities issues, within the GOLD IV report coordinated by the World Secretary of UCLG
- Involvement into the [Global Platform for the Right to the City](#). This Platform gathers civil society and local authorities' organizations since 2014 with the aim of promoting the right to the city in the world and in particular in the definition of the New Global Urban Agenda.

The first 2015 Biannual Meeting will deal with the Committee's strategies: (i) **foster human rights and the right to the city at local level**; and (ii) **influence the New Urban Agenda** that will be adopted at the **Habitat III** United Nations Conference.

To enhance this work from the plurality of cities which are contributing to the development of its activities, a new Collective Presidency will be presented.



## Program

Timetable	Agenda
13.30-14.00	Welcome and presentation of the participants
14.00-14.30	Presentation of the 2005 – 2014 Committee work
14.30 -15.00	Presentation and exchange : The <b>Global Charter-Agenda for Human Rights in the City</b> : What promotion at local and international level?
15.00-15.45	Strategic lines and Committee's governance for the 2015 – 2016 period, towards Habitat III
15.45 – 16.00	International Agenda

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<b>Program of the 1st 2015 Biannual Meeting</b> <b>Committee on Social Inclusion, Participatory Democracy and Human Rights of UCLG</b>		
13:30-14:00	<b>Welcome</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Mrs. <b>Rosa Icela Rodríguez Velázquez</b>, Councillor of Social Development of Mexico City (To be confirmed)</li> </ul> <b>Moderator:</b> Magali Fricaudet, Coordinator of the Committee on Social Inclusion, Participatory Democracy and Human Rights	
14:00-14:30	<b>Participants' presentation</b>  <b>Presentation of the work undertaken by the Committee from 2005 to 2014</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ <b>Mr. Patrick Braouezec</b>, President of the Urban Community of Plaine Commune</li> <li>➤ Open debate</li> </ul>	<p><i>[WHO WE ARE?]</i>  <i>Brief description of the background, mission, strategic priorities and activities undertaken by the Committee since its creation.</i></p> <p><i>Special emphasis will be placed on the results obtained in terms of advocacy, exchange of experiences, tools and international visibility.</i></p> <p><u>Background documents:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ <a href="#">Strategic Plan 2011-2013</a></li> <li>➤ <a href="#">2011-2013 Activities Report</a></li> <li>➤ <a href="#">European Charter for Human Rights in the City (2000)</a></li> <li>➤ <a href="#">World Charter for the Right to the City (2004)</a></li> <li>➤ <a href="#">Mexico City Charter for the Right to the City (2010)</a></li> <li>➤ <a href="#">Global Charter Agenda for Human Rights to the City (2011)</a></li> <li>➤ <a href="#">Gwangju Human Rights Charter (2012)</a></li> </ul>



14:30-15:00	<p><b>Presentation and exchange :</b></p> <p>The <b>Global Charter-Agenda for Human Rights in the City</b>: What promotion at local and at international levels?</p> <p>➤ <b>Mrs. Stephanie Marques dos Santos</b>, Cabinet Director of Bea Diallo, Deputy Mayor for family, employment, equality of opportunities, international cooperation, prevention and social inclusion in Ixelles- Belgium</p> <p><b>Facilitator: Mr. Antonio Aniesa</b>, Collaborator of Patrick Braouezec for metropolitan and International Affairs, Plaine Commune</p>		
15:00-15:45	<p><b>Strategic guidelines and governance of the Committee for the period 2014-2016 towards Habitat III</b></p> <p><i>Strengthening and spreading the international network of cities for Human Rights</i></p> <p>➤ <b>Mr. Gyonggu Shin</b>, Director of the World Human Rights City Forum, Gwangju, South Korea</p> <p><i>Advocacy</i></p> <p>➤ Presentation of the Global Platform for the Right to the City: <b>Mrs. Lorena Zárate</b>, President of Housing International Coalition (HIC)</p> <p>➤ Presentation of the UCLG work of collective intelligence for the definition of the New Global Urban Agenda: <b>Mr. Hassan Hmani</b>, Deputy Mayor of Nanterre, Co-President of, Forum of Peripheral Local Authorities (FALP)</p> <p><i>Research, documentation, information and structural support of UCLG:</i></p> <p>➤ <b>Mrs. Magali Fricaudet</b>, Coordinator of CISDP</p> <p><b>Presentation of the applicants for the Collective Presidency and Vice-presidency:</b></p> <p>➤ <b>Mrs. Rosa Icela Rodríguez Velázquez</b>, Councillor of Social Development of Mexico City (to be confirmed)</p> <p>➤ <b>Mr. Patrick Braouezec</b>, President of the Urban Community of Plaine Commune</p> <p>➤ <b>Mr. LEE Kyung-ryu</b>, Chief of the Human Rights Office of Gwangju, representative of <b>Mr. OH Hyung-Guk</b>, Vice-deputy of Gwangju</p> <p>➤ Mr. Patrick Braouezec, in representation of <b>Mr. Abdel Sadi</b>, Vice- President for International Relations of the General Council of Seine-Saint-Denis</p>		
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	<p>Braouezec on international and metropolitan issues, International Relations</p> <p><i>Agenda of the Global Platform for the Right to the City</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ <b>Mr. Nelson Saule Jr.</b>, Director of Polis Institute, Brazil</li> </ul> <p><i>Meeting for the Right to the City in Sao Paulo (To be confirmed)</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ <b>Mrs. Marilia Janhel</b>, Coordinator of the Right to the City Department of Sao Paulo</li> </ul> <p><i>Presentation of the call for the organization of an international seminar for the Right to the City</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ <b>Mrs. Magali Fricaudet</b>, Coordinator of CISDP</li> </ul> <p>Facilitator: <b>Mrs. Magali Fricaudet</b>, Coordinator of CISDP</p>	<p><i>Right to the City (Saint-Denis)</i></p>
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