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Second meeting of the Working Group on Culture
Lille, 13-15 September 2007

Report
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The Working Group on Culture held the second meeting on 13-15 September 2007, in Lille (France). The meeting analysed the activities of the Working Group during the last two years, and issued a positive evaluation. The meeting approved a draft plan 2008-2010 for UCLG's Committee on culture.

Main agreements

- A **positive evaluation** of the activities undertaken by UCLG's Culture in 2005-2007.
- The approval of a draft **plan 2008-2010** of the Committee. (This plan would be endorsed at the World Congress of UCLG that will take place in Jeju, Republic of Korea, on 28-31 October 2007).
- The will of a Committee 2008-2010 with **active members**, with shared responsibilities and very dynamic within UCLG
- The importance of improving possibilities and opportunities to **exchange experiences and good practices** on Agenda 21 for culture among the members of the Group / Committee.
- The importance of forwarding information on **the events and the processes** used by members of the Group / Committee **to promote Agenda 21 for culture**, and to feed the database on « seminars and conferences » and « articles » that exist on the website.
- The importance of R+D (research and development) to be the engine of the Committee, aiming at the production of **key documents on local cultural policies** that are widely disseminated.
- The need of on-going processes of **global networking and advocacy**, that establish the basis of shared projects, allowing cities an active presence in the international debates on culture and sustainable development.
- The development of **specific projects** that allow UCLG, its Committee on culture, and Agenda 21 for culture to be **locally, nationally and internationally well-known**.
- The existence of **resources** that support the implementation of specific projects and allow the long-term sustainability of the Committee.

Context

The **Working Group on Culture** is the meeting point of cities, local governments and networks that place culture at the heart of their development processes. Chaired by Barcelona and vice-chaired by Stockholm and Buenos Aires, it consists of fifty cities, local governments and organisations from all over the world. The main objective of the Programme for 2005-2007 was:

“To promote the role of culture as a central dimension of local policies through the dissemination and implementation of the Agenda 21 for culture”

The **Agenda 21 for culture** is the first document with worldwide mission establishing an undertaking by cities and local governments for cultural development. Today, 225 cities, local governments and organisations from all over the world are linked to Agenda 21 for culture.

United Cities and Local Governments – UCLG is the largest association of local governments in the world. Founded in May 2004, UCLG acts as the united voice and world advocate of democratic local self-government. It adopted Agenda 21 for culture as a reference document for its cultural programmes in October 2004 and constituted its Working Group on Culture in June 2005.

The Working Group on Culture held its **second meeting** on 13 –15 September 2007, in Lille (France).

Participants

The following **cities, local governments and organisations** participated in the meeting: Aide aux Musiques Innovatrices - AMI (Fr), Banlieues d'Europe (Int), Barcelona – Ajuntament (Es), Barcelona - Diputació (Es), Brazzaville (Cg), Generalitat de Catalunya (Es), Federación Española de Municipios y Provincias - FEMP (Es), Lille (Fr), Lyon (Fr), Macerata (It), PARCUM - Parlamento cultural del Mercosur (Int), les Rencontres (Int), Roubaix (Fr), Sevilla (Es), Stockholm (Se), Telde (Es), Territoires et cinémas (Fr), UNESCO (Int), Universitat de València (Es) and Zaragoza (Es) & Interlocal Network (Int).

Apologies were expressed by les Arts et la Ville (Ca), Bamako (MI), Berlin (De), Buenos Aires (Ar), Büro für Kulturpolitik und Kulturwirtschaft - Office for Cultural Policy and Economy (De), Centre of Expertise on Culture and Communities (Ca), Córdoba (Es), Council of Europe (Int), Cultural Development Network - Victoria (Au), Development Gateway Foundation (Int), Dortmund (De), Eivissa / Ibiza (Es), Eurocities (Int), Genève (Ch), Helsinki (Fi), International Network on Cultural Policy - INCP (Int), London (Uk), Ministère de la culture et de la communication - DEPS (Fr), Observatory of Cultural Policies in Africa - OCPA (Int), OCDE (Int), Porto Alegre (Br), Reading Borough Council (Uk), Rete Agenda 21 Locali (It), Roma - Provincia (It), Universidad de Córdoba (Es).

See full list of participants in annex 2.

The agenda of the meeting is reproduced in annex 3.

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Annex 1.

Draft programme 2008-2010

Approved in Lille, on 14th September 2007

Main aim

To promote the role of culture as a central dimension of local policies, fostering the relation between culture and sustainable development and the processes of intercultural dialogue, through the international dissemination and local implementation of Agenda 21 for culture

Main objectives

1. **Governance.** A committee with active members with shared responsibilities and very dynamic within UCLG.
 - 1.1. To strengthen our governance (membership, vicechairs and chair), agreeing upon specific responsibilities on particular issues.
 - 1.2. To continue the partnership with the networks of cities for culture, such as Interlocal, Eurocities – Culture Forum, les Rencontres and Mercociudades – Unidad Temática de Cultura
 - 1.3. To promote the participation to the Committee of national associations of municipalities.
 - 1.4. To foster the relation between our work and the main topics of the world agenda: Millennium Development Goals, Development Cooperation, City Diplomacy...
 - 1.5. To establish a close cooperation with the UCLG Committees
 - 1.6. To consolidate a close cooperation with the regional sections and the Metropolitan section of UCLG
 - 1.7. To analyse the creation of an external advisory board of experts
2. **Development of projects.** UCLG and its Committee on Culture are locally, nationally and internationally well-known, and develop specific projects in the field of exchanging experiences and good practices on the local implementation of Agenda 21 for culture.
 - 2.1. To continue the communication through the website <http://www.agenda21culture.net> and its corporate image
 - 2.2. To periodically update the database of all the cities and local governments implementing activities under the framework of the Agenda 21 for culture
 - 2.3. To reinforce the external visibility of Agenda 21 for culture
 - 2.4. To improve the internal circulation of information (newsletter or bulletin)
 - 2.5. To increase the number of translations of Agenda 21 for culture
 - 2.6. To support the local implementations of Agenda 21 for culture
 - 2.7. To develop specific projects in the field of exchanging experiences and good practices on the local implementation of Agenda 21 for culture, by local governments or civil society agents, mainly through peer-review tools.
 - 2.8. To explore the realisation of specific actions in the fields of training and capacity building, in partnership with international and national funding agencies
 - 2.9. To explore, and eventually agree, on a joint celebration by cities each 21 May, World Day for Cultural Diversity, from 2008 onwards, in partnership with UNESCO
 - 2.10. To explore the creation of a emblematic action, label or award that recognises cities and/or projects related to Agenda 21 for culture
 - 2.11. To explore the elaboration of a glossary of concepts related to Agenda 21 for culture
3. **Policy development.** Research and development as the engine of key documents on local cultural policies that are widely disseminated.
 - 3.1. To continue the work of Research and Development, with new reports on issues related to Agenda 21 for culture; possible topics could be: culture and sustainable development,

culture and local governance, culture and decentralised cooperation, and creative industries and local development.

- 3.2. To analyse the production of new policy papers, and to analyse suitable approval: UCLG Committee of Culture, Executive Bureau or World Council.
- 3.3. To analyse the feasibility of elaborating a document on "Cultural indicators and Agenda 21 for culture" that further develops the document approved on this issue in October 2006.

4. Development of alliances and partnerships. Networking and advocacy that establish the basis of shared projects, allowing cities an active presence in the international debates on culture and sustainable development.

- 4.1. To deepen on the strategic relation with UNESCO, establishing specific partnerships on concrete issues, such as the Convention on Cultural Diversity, the Network of Creative Cities, and others.
- 4.2. To deepen on the strategic relation with the European Union, establishing specific partnerships on concrete issues
- 4.3. To deepen on the strategic relation with the Council of Europe, establishing specific partnerships on concrete issues, such as the Intercultural Cities programme.
- 4.4. To explore contacts and develop a relation with other UN agencies and programmes: UN-Habitat, UNDP, UN-Sustainable Development
- 4.5. To establish a close cooperation with the Alliance of Civilisations.
- 4.6. To continue the relation with civil society organisations and networks devoted to international cultural cooperation, and to explore the realisation of specific projects
- 4.7. To explore the establishment of contacts with OWHC – Organisation of World Heritage Cities and ICLEI – Local Governments for Sustainability
- 4.8. To explore the establishment of contacts with the international thematic cultural networks (IFLA, ICOM, ICOMOS...).

5. Resources. Funds to support the implementation of specific projects and allow the long-term sustainability of the Committee.

- 5.1. To obtain resources from national and international agencies and donors.
- 5.2. To establish sponsorship agreements with private corporations

Annex 2

Participants to the meeting

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Annex 3

Agenda of the meeting

Thursday 13 September 2007.

Afternoon. Arrival of participants to Lille

19.00 - Working dinner. The participants will be asked to briefly introduce themselves. The dinner is offered by the Ville de Lille. *Restaurant Le Barbue d'Anvers, 1 bis, rue Saint Etienne, Métro : Rihour (yellow line), Gare Lille Flandres (red line)*

Friday 14 September 2007

Maison Folie de Wazemmes, 70 rue des Sarrazins, Métro : Gambetta (yellow line)

09.00 – Welcome to participants at the Maison Folie de Wazemmes

09.30 – Opening of the meeting by Catherine Cullen, Councillor for culture, Ville de Lille

10.15 – Presentation of the activities undertaken by UCLG's Working Group on Culture in the period 2005-2007.

- See document 1, report of the coordinator (attached).
- Discussion and evaluation

11.00 – Coffee-break

11.30 – Preparation of the Programme 2008-2010 of UCLG's Commission for culture

- See documents 2 and 3, draft plans 2008-2010 (attached).
- Discussion on chapter 1: mission, objectives and governance.
- Discussion on chapter 2: policy development

13.15 – Lunch

14.30 – Preparation of the Programme 2008-2010 of UCLG's Commission for culture

- Discussion on chapter 3: alliances and partnerships
- Discussion on chapter 4: networking and development of projects

16.30 – Coffee-break

17.00 – Preparation of the Programme 2008-2010 of UCLG's Commission for culture

- Discussion on chapter 5: Funding and resources

17.30 – Discussion on outstanding issues and rounding up. Evaluation of the meeting.

18.30 – End of the meeting.

20.00 – Dinner. At the expense of each one of the participants.

Saturday 15 September 2007

Morning. Visits organised in the framework of the European Heritage Days (15 and 16 September). The entire programme of the European Heritage Days will handed out at the meeting.