

« Culture, Governance and Sustainable Cities »

Study visit for a delegation of cities of the UCLG Culture Committee

Lyon, 25-27 September 2019

Lyon is the winning city of the 2018 edition of the [International Award UCLG – City of Mexico – Culture 21](#) (ex-aequo with Seongbuk, Republic of Korea), with the programme “[The Sustainable City of Lyon: the Charter of Cultural Cooperation](#)”. For more than a decade, the **Cultural Cooperation Charter** approach has been a political and operational programme. The Charter connects the cultural sectors to shape "Lyon, a Sustainable City" in the long term. It aims at deeply engaging cultural public services by mobilising cultural, artistic and heritage resources in the production of the Sustainable City. This approach involves 28 cultural venues, events and services managed or supported by the City, by other local authorities as well as by the State; it is based on 8 main thematic axes proposed by the cultural cooperation community, which generally correspond to both local and national programmes.

Beyond this acknowledgement, the City of Lyon (France) has been very actively involved in various activities carried out by the **Committee on Culture of UCLG**, among which the participation of the city to all three Culture Summit convened by UCLG since 2015 ([Bilbao, 2015](#) ; [Jeju 2017](#) and [Buenos Aires 2019](#)), as well as its participation to the International Seminar on “[Cultural Rights and Peace in the City](#)” organized by the Mexico City in November 2018, with the adoption of the “[Culture and Peace](#)” Declaration.

On another hand, the **City of Lyon** is listed as UNESCO World Heritage Site and territory for innovation, and offers a rich and diversified cultural landscape. For 40 years the city and the greater area have been committed to social and urban cohesion policies aimed at eliminating disparities. In the last 15 years, they have also focused on sustainable development strategies to face contemporary challenges.

In this context, the City of Lyon and the UCLG Committee on Culture will jointly organize a study visit on “**Culture, Governance and Sustainable Cities**” on next 25-27 September 2019. The event will aim at: (a) introduce the main cultural policies of the City, with the key elements, as well as the various programmes and projects, and (b) foster exchanges and learning among different cities and local or regional governments from across the world.

The visit will count with the participation of a cultural delegation from the cities of Esch-sur-Alzette and Terrassa, the Isle of Tenerife, as well as with a delegation from the Konya Metropolitan Municipality. **The visit is open to any other city of the Committee on Culture of UCLG (there is a limited number of available places).**

For more information, please contact coordination@agenda21culture.net before 4 September 2019 (travel, accommodation and meals shall be covered by participating cities).

Draft programme “Culture, Governance and Sustainable Cities”

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Wednesday 25 September 2019

Lyon City Hall

- 10.30am Welcome by the Councilor for Culture
- General presentation of the City and of the Cultural Policy of the city (Loïc Graber, Councilor for Culture; Xavier Fourneyron, Deputy Executive Director on Culture, Heritage and Student Life and Sophie Lacroix, Head of Department for Artistic Creation and Distribution).
- General presentation of the Charter of Cultural Cooperation (Marc Villarubias, Head of Cultural Cooperation)
- 12.30pm Lunch, on site
- 2.00pm Round table with the Sustainable Development Taskforce (*Mission*) and the Equality Taskforce of the city of Lyon, presentation of both Taskforces and coordination with Culture (Isabelle Niessleron, Head of the Sustainable Development Taskforce, and Alexandre Kosak, Head of the Equality Taskforce).
- 4.00pm Coffee break
- 4.30pm Presentation of the Taskforce on Cultural Integration (Myriam Albet, Head of the Taskforce)
- 5.30pm End

Thursday 26 September 2019

Morning: House of Culture and Youth (*Maison des Jeunes et de la Culture*) Laënnec Mermoz Lyon 08

- 9.30am Presentation of the neighbourhood, the programme for urban regeneration and the territorial cultural project (Dominique Maurige, Head of the Taskforce ‘Entrée Est’ and Anaïs Lavot Taskforce on Cultural Cooperation)
- 10.00am Presentation and exchanges with local cultural and art actors.
- House of Culture and Youth
- Augustine Turpiaux Company
- Grabuge Theater

Dancehouse

Municipal Library

12.30pm Lunch, on site

Afternoon: Dancehouse

2.30pm Meeting with Dominique Hervieux, Director of the Dancehouse and the Dance Biennial event, including with the team of the Dance Biennial Parade (Xavier Phélut and Stéphanie Claudin)

4.30pm End

6.30pm Biennial of Contemporary Art, Meeting with the VEDUTA team

Friday 27 September 2019

Morning: Lyon City Hall or Fine Arts Museum

9.30am Open professional meeting on « Culture and Sustainable Development », including a number of representatives from the community on cultural cooperation. The session will include the presentation of the actions which have been carried out and based on Culture 21 Actions thematic areas.

12.30pm Lunch, on site

Afternoon: Olivier des Sages Lyon 03

3.00pm Meeting with a group of cultural actors which works with a perspective that takes diversity in account (Kadia Faraux, Choreographer and Yves Benitah, Videographer)

5.00pm Debriefing

5.30pm End

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