



CULTURE AND ANTIRACISM. SEMINAR AND PEER-LEARNING SESSION

21-22-23 September 2022
Malmö

PROGRAMME



INTRODUCTION

Malmö is Sweden's third largest and fastest growing city, with a relatively young population of approximately 350 000 residents, of whom roughly half are under the age of 35. People from 183 different countries live in Malmö, and around one-third of residents were born in another country. Nearly 25% of Malmö's children live in poverty.

The Department for Culture of the City of Malmö has been working with the UCLG Culture Committee since 2016. In recent years, the city of Malmö has shown how fundamental it is to localise development, that is, to empower local populations with the capacities to hold rights and unfold freedoms. In 2021, the Municipal Executive Board of the City of Malmö decided to launch several initiatives to combat racism, including instructing the Department of Culture to produce programmes and exhibitions which aim to counteract Afrophobia and Islamophobia.

In 2022, the work of Malmö as a Leading City is focusing in cultural policies and antiracism, with a focus on anti-islamophobia. This work began in February 2022 and will become very visible on 21-22-23 September 2022, with two activities:

- A seminar on Islamophobia, on Wednesday 21 September 2022.
- An in-depth peer-learning event with cities that are working in this field, on Wednesday 21, Thursday 22 and Friday 23 September 2022.

MALMÖ, LEADING CITY

The Leading Cities programme is coordinated by the Committee on Culture of United Cities and Local Governments (UCLG) in the context of efforts to support the implementation of the Agenda 21 for culture. This programme is aimed to support experienced cities through activities in the fields of leadership, advocacy, communication, learning and cooperation. Leading Cities are cities with experience in the implementation of the Agenda 21 for culture and possessing solid conceptual and practical experience as regards the place of culture in sustainable cities. As a result, they become leaders in the implementation of Culture 21 Actions, and the advocacy activities of the Committee on Culture of UCLG.

Leading Cities such as Malmö receive support from the Secretariat of the Committee on Culture, annually in the following



These activities will allow participants to:

- Reflect on how culture and antiracism relate to sustainable development
- Highlight the role of culture and art in antiracism
- Disseminate good practices in Malmö's antiracist work, and position Malmö's antiracist initiatives nationally and internationally
- Widen the discussion on racism and antiracism among cities and organizations, to develop awareness and knowledge in society.
- Provide the opportunity to learn from other cities and cultural actors on this topic and share experiences
- Make antiracist initiatives visible in a larger context and initiate more collaborations

domains: "Leadership and Advocacy", "Communication" and "Cooperation and Learning". The specific forms of assistance and support to be provided to each city are designed through consultation between them and the Secretariat of the Committee, since the aim of the Leading Cities programme is to tailor services to local needs and demands. The seminar and peer-learning session on culture and antiracism organised by Malmö is an activity fully inscribed in this programme.

AGENDA

21 SEPTEMBER 2022

TIME	PLACE	ACTIVITY
9.00	Hotel(s)	Meet up and go as group to Old Town Hall
9:30	Old Town Hall	Seminar Islamophobia: Registration and coffee
10:00	ditto	Keynote: Domenica Ghidei Biidu , Bureau member European Commission against Racism and Intolerance (ECRI)
11:00		Introductions for group (brief presentation from visiting cities)
12:00		Lunch
13:00		Group walks to Malmö City Archive
13:30	Malmö City Archive	Presentation av Malmö City Archive, Dawid Isak Library tour. Antiracism at Malmö City Archive. Coffee and pause. Presentations from Lisbon and Montreal*
15.45		Group walks back to Old Town Hall
16:15	Old Town Hall	Mingle and food. Welcome to Malmö from Chair of Malmö City Council, Ms Carina Nilsson
17.45		Taxi/walk to evenings cultural activities

22 SEPTEMBER 2022

TIME	PLACE	ACTIVITY
8.45	Hotel or Old Town Hall	Walk to Malmö Art Museum
9.00-10.45	Malmö Art Museum	Presentation of Malmö Culture Departments antiracist initiative, including antiracist monument. Showing of one of the temporary works. Time for questions, discussion, reflections. Presentations from Wroclaw and Barcelona.
10.45		Walk or bus to Malmö Art Gallery
11.00	Malmö Art Gallery	The Ceija Stojka room (racism and Roma people). Questions and discussion.
12.00	Restaurant	Lunch
13:00	Malmö City Archive	Presentations from visiting cities*
14.30	Islamic Centre	Travel to the mosque. Presentation of its work. Including refreshments. Summing -up and reflections on the day.
17.00-20.00		Travel to restaurant. Group dinner

* This draft agenda has identified presentations by visiting cities in some of the sessions. The final agenda will include presentations by all the visiting cities.

23 SEPTEMBER 2022

TIME	PLACE	ACTIVITY
9.00	Malmö City Archive	Meet up and walk to HelaMalmö's antiracist centre (civil society)
9.30	HelaMalmö	Presentation of antiracist centre. Questions and discussion.
10.30		Walk to Malmö City Library
11.00	Malmö City Library	Presentation of KRUT meeting place, including partners (users and independent cultural organization)
12.00		Lunch
13.00	Malmö City Library	In-depth discussion and exchanges between cities. Summing up of visit.
15:00		Closing

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