

ICLEI World Congress 2006

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LA 2 Local Agenda 21 - Flashlight 2006

Date: 28/02/2006
Time: 14.30-18.00
Room: Auditorium II

Congress theme: LAs for Sustainable Cities
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OBJECTIVE

Examples from around the world showing how Local Agenda 21 processes are successful and what the enabling framework conditions should be.

METHODOLOGY

This session is organised as a combination of a "poster session" where many cities can present their experiences at poster stands and a select number will additionally give formal presentations. Participants will be able to walk around the venue during the poster presentation times and join small discussion groups that interest them. The structure of the session and times are reflected below:

14.30 - 15.00	Introduction by the facilitator
15.00 - 15.40	Two formal /plenary style presentations
15.40 - 16.00	Poster presentations (tea/coffee available)
16.00 - 16.40	Two formal /plenary style presentations
16.40 - 17.10	Poster presentations (tea/coffee available)
17.10 - 17.30	One formal /plenary style presentation
17.30 - 18.00	Conclusions

CONTRIBUTORS

Facilitator *Julian AGYEMAN, Assistant Professor, Tufts University, USA*

Presentation *Chantal GAGNON, Director for the Environment, City of Montreal, Canada*
Montreal's First Strategic Plan for Sustainable Development: A Community in Action
Orientation, description and action plan regarding sustainable development in Montreal.

Presentation *Kahepako KAKUJAHA, Environmental Officer, Walvis Bay Municipality, Namibia*
Walvis Bay Local Agenda 21 Project
Experiences and lessons learnt from the implementation of the Walvis Bay Local Agenda 21 Project

Presentation *Tahsin BULUT, Secretary General of LA 21, Bursa Metropolitan Municipality, Turkey*
Decentralised administration and Poverty Alleviation aspects of Bursa Local Agenda 21
Bursa was the first city to adopt LA 21 in Turkey in 1995, it has been one of the main stimulants for the movement in the country. LA 21 in Bursa puts a focus on social issues, decentralised administration and poverty alleviation.

- Presentation *Joe PANTALONE, Deputy Mayor of the City of Toronto, Member of the ICLEI Executive Committee, Canada*
City of Toronto's Roundtable on the Environment
 Toronto's Roundtable on Environment was created in 2004 to advise the Mayor and City Council on current and emerging environmental issues affecting the City of Toronto and to help steer the city towards international leadership on urban sustainability. The Roundtable assists the city in developing innovative policies and programmes, such as the city wide green roof strategy and a comprehensive air quality action plan. The Roundtable aims at participatory decision making that incorporates environmental expertise, thereby creating a forum for environmental debate in the city.
- Presentation *Naomi TSUR, Director, Sustainable Jerusalem, Israel*
Sustainable Jerusalem: Generating public involvement in an un-inclusive planning system
 This presentation will illustrate how a coalition of NGOs and CBOS have managed to overturn several unsustainable plans and to promote alternative policies in the quest to improve the urban environment. This could be a model for cities whose NGOs and local authorities do not have an instant rapport.
- Presentation *Jose Ignacio ELORRIETA, Subdirector General, Ministry for the Environment, Spain*
The Spanish Network of Networks on Urban Environment
- Presentation *Lawrence ESHO, Research Associate, University of Leuven, Belgium*
Localising Agenda 21
 A synthesis of the LA21 programme developed by UN Habitat and a Belgian Consortium in three pilot cities in Kenya (Nakuru), Morocco (Essaouira) and Vietnam (Vinh).
- Poster *Denise YOON, International Programme Coordinator, Korean Council for Local Agenda 21, Republic of Korea*
LA21 process in Korea - Promotional Councils for Local Agenda 21 in Each Local Government
 The establishment of an institutionalised LA21 organisation between local government, civil society and business to keep an open and regular dialogue channel and build an actual partnership.
- Poster *Slobodan MILUTINOVIC, National Expert, Standing Conf. of Towns & Municipalities, Serbia and Montenegro*
Programme for environmental protection and sustainable development in Serbian towns and municipalities 2004-2007
 The programme is a cooperation between the Norwegian Association of Local and Regional Authorities (KS) and the Standing Conference of Towns and Municipalities of Serbia (SKGO). It is aimed at the improvement of overall living conditions in Serbian towns and municipalities through joint action and good local governance.
- Poster *Grace STEAD, LA 21 Coordinator, Senior Town Planner, City of Cape Town, South Africa*
 and
Gabriele SCHÜTZ-LEMBACH, LA 21 Coordinator, City of Aachen, Germany
Agenda 21 Partnership Cape Town - Aachen
 The Cities of Cape Town (South Africa) and Aachen (Germany) have a unique Agenda 21 Partnership, which was formally established in 2000. The aim of the partnership is to promote sustainable development and the principles of Agenda 21 through facilitating partnerships and partnership projects that improve environmental, social and economic conditions, with a particular focus on poverty eradication.

Further recommended reading