Future activities 2009 - 2010
Committee on Information Society (CIS)

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Next activities 2009- 2010

During the meeting in Istanbul, the members of the Committee also approved the plan of activities of the committee for 2009-2010.

This plan of activities continues the work initiated in 2006 and it includes:
Next activities 2009-2010

1. Reinforcement of the governance of the Committee

- Increase the number of active members of the Committee, specially from those less represented regions: Asia, Africa, Euro-Asia and North America.
- Boost and strengthen the role of the members in the committee.
- Continue with the organization of meetings parallel to other important events and meetings of UCLG.
- Cooperate and collaborate with other UCLG Committees and Working groups.
- Promote the collaboration with international organizations and the regional sections of UCLG.
- Reinforce the importance of the Information Society in the achievement of a sustainable development.

Next activities 2009-2010

2. Awareness and dissemination activities on the importance of the Information Society

- Support the development of Awareness and dissemination events on the importance of the implementation of ICT Technologies at a local level for achieving a sustainable development.
- Keep the members informed about the events and activities organized by other members through circulars, Newsletters, publication in the DLA Website, etc.
3. Knowledge sharing

- Promote the knowledge sharing among the local authorities. A tool for the knowledge sharing is the Website: www.digitallocalagenda.org where the members can find:
  - Basic Information about the Digital Local Agenda
  - News and events related to the Information Society
  - Best practices from local authorities from all over the world on the field of ICT. It is important that the CIS members load in the website their experiences in order that it can be shared with the other members.

- Promote the presentation of best experiences from the members in the CIS meetings and other UCLG events.

- Develop a specific website of the Committee on the Information Society

4. Training for action

- Development of Training courses and conferences to make Local Authorities understand:
  - The meaning, scope and implications that building an information society has for the cultural, social, economic and territorial development.
  - The role that Local Governments must play in building the Information Society.
  - The importance of designing public policies for the development of the Information Society in a Territory: Digital Local Agenda.

- Collaboration with UCLG and international organizations for the development of the courses and conferences, such as: UNITAR, CIFAL Bilbao, GAID, among others.
5. Development of progress indicators and the identification and selection of emblematic projects

- The evolution of the development of Information Society in the UCLG members can be gauged on a regular basis by establishing and assessing a series of indicators:
  - Number of cities and municipalities that have developed a strategic plan for development of Information Society in their territories: DLAs
  - Degree of progress in the implementation of the strategic plan
  - Identification of Flagship projects that can be shared

- Development of a Scoreboard that makes a comparative analysis of the performance of UCLG members in the development of the Information Society

QUESTIONS AND SUGGESTIONS