

## COMMITTEES AND WORKING GROUPS

## **COMMITTE ON THE INFORMATION SOCIETY (CIS)**

Conclusions of the Committee meeting 10<sup>th</sup> of November 2009 in Guangzhou, China

## **CIRCULAR 11**

Dear members of the Committee,

On **Tuesday, 10th of November 2009** took place in Guangzhou (China), on the occasion of the Executive Bureau and World Council meetings of UCLG, the **annual meeting of the Committee on the Information Society**.

The meeting was chaired, as it was informed by Ms. Ibone Bengoetxea, Deputy Mayor of the City of Bilbao in representation of the Presidency of the CIS and counted on with the active participation of FLACMA, Guangzhou City, Taipei City, the CNM and UCLG's World Secretariat, among others.

The meeting represented an opportunity to make a balance on the **activities** developed by the Committee in 2009, to inform the members about the next activities and events and to exchange knowledge and experiences between the members.

We also inform you that as it was advanced in previous communications, during the meeting it was made a **general reflection between the members, on the current situation of the Committee**. From the Presidency, it was proposed that besides continuing with the work developed until now of sharing the digital development with other cities and regions that far away from reaching that objective, **to give the Committee a wider scope**, based on the seek of the competitive excellence of the local governments through knowledge management and innovation in the cities and municipalities.

In this line and to respond to this new focus, it was approved by the Committee members that attended the meeting and subsequently by the UCLG World Council, to change the name of the Committee to "Committee of Digital and Knowledge-based Cities". A new name responds to the new objectives established and that goes in line with the work to be developed by the Committee from now on.

Use the links below to access to the following documents:

- Report of activities 2009
- Next activities 2009-2010
- Presentation experience Taipei City: IT Taipei: 2009 ICT Forum Report & Towards an Intelligent and Ubiquitous City

- <u>Presentation experience Guangzhou City: To Promote the Construction of</u> Guangzhou's Information-Sharing e-Government
- Video experience CNM: ICT, Electronic Government and Digital Inclusion (in Spanish)
- Reference Document Committee if Digital and Knowledge Cities

We really hope that this meeting represents the beginning of a fruitful relation based on the collaboration and that we can keep on working together in this new path.

Looking forward to see you in future meeting, please receive our best regards.

The Presidency of the Committee of Digital and Knowledge-based Cities

(Previously Committee on the Information Society)