SUPPORTING INFORMATION

WBA CONNECTED CITIES ADVISORY BOARD

Wireless Broadband Alliance (WBA) together with some of the world leading cities created the Connected City Advisory Board (CCAB) to develop, share and promote thought-leadership and practical framework for the social and economic development and sustainable operation of the Connected City ecosystem. It’s a unique platform for City Managers and CIOs to knowledge-share challenges and opportunities in the development and execution of Smart Cities, establish best practice and determine a strategy to leverage public-private partnerships. This invitation-only CCAB group encompasses representatives from major governmental and industry associations that are involved in Connected and Smart City development. For more information go to http://www.wballiance.com/key-activities/connected-city-advisory-board-ccab/ or contact tiago@wballiance.com

UCLG COMMITTEE OF DIGITAL AND KNOWLEDGE-BASED CITIES

Since its creation in 2005, the UCLG Committee of Digital and Knowledge-based Cities, Chaired by the City of Bilbao, has been working to reduce the digital divide and to boost the implementation of the digital local agenda as a mean for improving the quality of life of the citizens from the decentralized governments.

Through the Committee, it has been promoted the development of a common vision and dynamics among local governments in favor of an inclusive Information Society that favors the reduction of the digital divide.

The Committee aims to create an efficient network of cooperation integrated by Local Authorities to take advantage of the opportunities that the new information and communication technologies (ICT), innovation and knowledge bring, and to share, assimilate and adapt them to local needs, and create new opportunities for all the cities and municipalities. www.uclg-digitalcities.org
GOALS OF THE CONNECTED CITY SUMMIT

Taking place as part of the WBA Wifi Global Congress at IFB2016 the Summit aims to:

1- Promote the development of Connected City plans and blueprints, creation of public-private ecosystems and collaboration mechanisms for resource contributions and shared risks and rewards/incentives.

2 - Create an environment for City Managers and CIOs to knowledge-exchange and create best practices with their counterparts in other cities. Discuss ways to optimize technology delivery in the most practical manner possible to deliver the greatest societal benefit, to account for privacy and security concerns and to determine the best way to leverage public/private partnerships.

3 - Recognize and disseminate information about the best practices, challenges and opportunities in the development and execution of Connected City plans.

DELEGATE FUNDING

Delegate financial support may be available to cities meeting qualifying criteria.

IFB2016 ‘Fly to Buy’ Scheme
IFB2016 have a ‘Fly to Buy’ scheme allowing cities to apply for funding up to a maximum of £2000GBP to support their delegation travelling to the UK, more details can be found at https://www.ifb2016.com/delivery-partners/fly-to-buy Applications should be submitted directly to IFB2016.

WBA Delegate Support
Members of the Committee may also be eligible for funding up to £350GBP to assist with accommodation and travel costs to the UK via the WBA. Funding will be available to one Senior City representative only e.g. Mayor, Chief Information Officer or equivalent position. Funding applications must be made to WBA no later than 26 April 2016 and must include a business case. Funding will be allocated on a first come first served basis to a maximum of 25 cities. For more information and to apply please contact Rachael Aron rachael@wballiance.com