

# Circular 42

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Committee of Digital and Knowledge-Based Cities

# Reminder CONNECTED CITY SUMMIT

28 June 2016, Liverpool, UK

Dear committee members,

We would like to remind you that this year the Committee's Annual Event will be held on **28<sup>th</sup> June 2016 in the City of Liverpool** under the title "**Connected City Summit**".

The Committee of Digital and Knowledge-Based Cities, chaired by the City of Bilbao, has signed an agreement with the Wireless Broadband Alliance to work together on the development of Connected City initiatives.

The first initiative in the framework of this collaboration is the "CONNECTED CITY SUMMIT", which will take place on 28th June 2016 in Liverpool (UK) as part of the <u>WBA Wi-Fi Global Congress</u> at the <u>International Festival for Business 2016</u>, with the support of the City of Liverpool and its Mayor.

The Connected City Summit **expects to gather representatives from over 100 cities** including the founding members of the WBA Connected City Advisory Board, New York, San Francisco, New Delhi and San Jose. It will include a Mayor's Panel for the discussion of the global policy challenges of delivering connectivity in cities and regions.

### **Goals of the Connected City Summit**

The Summit will provide a unique opportunity to discuss the challenges and opportunities of cities, as well as to hear about the latest developments from global leaders in wireless and SMART technology. The main goals of the Summit are:

- 1. Promote the development of Connected City plans and blueprints, the creation of public-private ecosystems and collaboration mechanisms for the contribution of resources, and share risks and rewards.
- 2. Create an environment for City Managers and Chief Information Officers (CIOs) to exchange knowledge and best practices with their counterparts in other cities. Discuss ways to optimize technological development in the most practical manner possible to deliver the greatest societal benefit, to guarantee privacy and security, and to determine the best way to leverage public-private partnerships.
- 3. Find out and disseminate information about best practices, challenges and opportunities in the development and execution of Connected City plans.

Registration for the Connected City Summit is **free of charge for UCLG members**. Cities registered for the Connected City Summit will also be **able to attend the <u>WBA Wi-Fi</u>** <u>Global Congress</u> **at no additional cost.** 

For registration as UCLG member you must include the following access code: UCLG3T6

Follow the link to begin the registration process: Registration for the Connected City Summit

Please note that each participant should take care of their own travel, visa and accommodation costs, however, financial support may be available to delegates from cities meeting qualifying criteria.

# **Programme**

The <u>draft programme with confirmed speakers</u> of the Connected City Summit is now available. These include the Mayor of Liverpool, the Chairman of WBA and Vice President of Partnerships & Alliances for AT&T Mobility, and Bilbao's City Councillor for Economic Development, Commerce and Employment, among others.

## **Logistics**

#### Venue:

Exhibition Centre Liverpool Kings Dock St Liverpool Waterfront Liverpool, Merseyside L3 4FP, UK

#### **Accommodation:**

Recommended hotel: Jurys Inn, Liverpool

**Booking link** 

You can **find more information about the Summit** via the following link: <a href="http://www.uclq-digitalcities.org/en/annual-event/liverpool-2016/">http://www.uclq-digitalcities.org/en/annual-event/liverpool-2016/</a>

We inform you that the working language of the Connected City Summit will be **English**.

Should you require any further information, please do not hesitate to contact the Committee Secretariat: <a href="mailto:info@uclg-digitalcities.org">info@uclg-digitalcities.org</a>

Sincerely,

#### The UCLG World Secretariat

on behalf of the Committee of Digital and Knowledge-Based Cities

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Please click on the links below to access the following documents:

- <u>Letter of invitation</u>
- Draft programme with speakers (20/05/2016)
- Brochure "Connected City Summit"
- Brochure "WBA Wireless Global Conference"
- <u>Supporting information</u>

