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**Executive meeting of Cityfuture
programme and UCLG Committee on
Urban Strategic Planning**
Languages: English
Round table lay-out

Annex agenda CityFuture: knowledge and networks

Third topic – increase networking and cooperation

how to promote cities knowledge and how to cooperate with networks on CDS ?

Networking between members:

- **MILE initiative of Durban.**

A flyer on the MILE initiative will be handed out during the meeting. The interest of MILE to cooperate with the UCLG and its committee is very much related to an updating of the demand for city to city learning. However, the first reactions also show opportunities of involving other committee members in trainings.

Proposal of networks:

1. Recs, the Italian network on strategic planning

Is proposing a project on knowledge management and collection, named International Cities Observatory, to be funded by the European Observation Network on territorial development and cohesion. The objective is to assess and promote strategic planning as a tool to refocus the development of cities. The European cities that participate have all long experience in strategic planning. Envisaged activities are data collection, web portals sharing and analyzing experiences. Recs would like UCLG to be umbrella and especially to support possible follow up and interregional exchange.

Further, on the topic of overcoming the impact of the crises in European cities, Recs would like the UCLG committee to join and partner a European Forum on Cities Development in JUNE 2011. Recs would like to involve the committee especially bringing extra European experience to share and analyze management and planning experiences globally.

2. AERYC Latin American European network

The Project is entitled "democratic governance and social and territorial cohesion in Spanish, Latin American and African cities". The idea is to construct 4 to 6 peer groups in between Spanish, Latin American and African cities that cooperate through sharing methodologies and tools of emerging experiences on democratic governance and cohesion. The exchange period is estimated in 7 or 8 month in order to identify a joint project.

AERYC would like to count on the advise of the UCLG, especially on the preparation and participation in a kick off seminar that will take place in Las Palmas in march 2011. Especially the African members that are best prepared and interested should be involved to exchange or apply innovative practices to take part in the project.

3. Medcities

Medcities is programming an international conference on CDS in the Mediterranean in march. Is interested in UCLG being associated and would like to count on the active involvement of the president or vice president of the UCLG committee on USP in a roundtable.

4. Plusnetwork

Plusnetwork that is based in Vancouver is interested in improving knowledge management and exchange of practices such as mentoring or peer reviews and will do a short presentation.

