



2nd UCLG World Congress

28-31 October 2007, Jeju, Republic of Korea

Changing cities are driving our world

Cities - the future for humanity: addressing climate change

In 2007, the world will cross a threshold: for the first time in its history, the majority of the world's population will live in cities. and the future of the planet will be in their hands. How will cities face climate change and the prevention of it? What strategies should be employed to manage the process of urbanisation and ensure sustainable development? What will the cities of tomorrow be like? How will they be governed? What resources will they need?

Local governments as peacebuilders

The United Nations advocates a World Alliance of Civilisations to overcome cultural and social barriers, cities are the daily prove of cultural diversity. How can diplomacy and cooperation between cities contribute to strengthening dialogue among civilisations in the 21st century?

2015: A fairer world is possible! Towards a new model of governance

What is the role of local governments in fulfilling the Millennium Development Goals and the global development agenda? Ten years after the Istanbul Summit and three years after the establishment of UCLG, how have relations between local governments and international institutions evolved? What role

Key Themes

Congress Program

28 October

UCLG preparatory meetings
UCLG ASPAC Meetings
Welcome Reception

29 October

UCLG Statutory meetings
Technical Visits
Opening Ceremony

30 October

2 Plenary sessions
6 Workshops
4 Partner Events

31 October

Plenary session
3 Parallel Workshops
2 Partner Events
Mayors' Summit
General Assembly
Closing Ceremony
Declaration

- . Competitive cities: Reducing disparities in a globalised economy
- . The Information Society and urban governance
- . Access to Basic Services for All: A dream or reality?
- . Culture in the city
- . The dilemmas of metropolises: How to strike a balance between competitiveness and cooperation, performance and quality of life, centre and suburbs
- . Local democracy, proximate democracy, participative democracy
- . Cities & regions competitiveness in globalisation
- . Which Fiscal means for public infrastructure
- . Migration and multicultural cities
- . Local governance and gender equality
- . Decentralised cooperation
- . Planning strategies and urban and rural development policies
- . A century of Local Government Association activity

Congress Structure

Opening and plenary sessions

Presentation of the general theme and structure of the Congress
 Introduction of the sub-themes during the three plenary sessions.

UCLG parallel workshops

The parallel workshops will address specific themes linked to the Congress and may be organised by the UCLG Committees and Working Groups

Partner forum

Roundtables, workshops and conferences on the Congress themes organised by UCLG's institutional and private partners (UN agencies, professional organisations, NGOs, private companies, etc.)

Mayors' Summit

UCLG Members' General Assembly & World Council

Closing session

Report on the parallel sessions and summary by the Congress Rapporteur
 Final declaration

World Urban Fair