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Sambandið er aðili að alþjóðasamtökum sveitarfélaga og borga, UCLG, sem standa fyrir áhugaverðri og nýstarlegri umfjöllun og ráðstefnu um mikilvægi menningar fyrir þróun borga og sveitarfélaga, sbr.:

?Contrary to a view of culture as ?decorative?, or secondary to sustainable development, a critical mass of the international community is convinced that, integrating culture within development efforts are crucial in tackling a large number of urban and local challenges more effectively and sustainably.

Today, development means freedom, expanding choices, and putting human beings at the centre of the future.

? Culture brings its intrinsic values to development: creativity, heritage, knowledge and diversity. A holistic and integrated approach to development will only be achieved when these values are explicit and operationalized.

? Culture is linked to equity and inclusion; it is an accelerator of resilience and rooting. It gives us the tools to fight against poverty; it facilitates citizens' participation, intercultural dialogue, and equal rights.

? Culture boosts the economy. It generates income and employment, and it has impact on entrepreneurship, new technologies, and tourism. Culture brings creativity and innovation to the economic dimension.

? Culture embraces the environment because it helps to explain identities. It raises awareness of ecological responsibility, and it informs urban planning processes.

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To the Secretaries General

To the Vice-Presidents of United Cities and Local Governments

To the Presidents of UCLG Committees and Working Groups

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Registration for UCLG Culture Summit

Bilbao, 18-20 March 2015

Dear members,

The [first UCLG Culture Summit](#) will be hosted by the city of Bilbao (Basque Country, Spain) from 18-20 March 2015 with the title **‘Culture and sustainable cities’**. The UCLG Culture Summit is a new event to promote knowledge-sharing and networking between cities and local governments, recognizing the important place of culture in sustainable cities. It envisages gathering together all key stakeholders in the promotion of cultural policies, with special emphasis on cities, local governments, and urban actors.

The highlight of the first UCLG Culture Summit will be the presentation of **‘Culture 21: Actions’**, a document that builds on the Agenda 21 for culture and makes a strong link between culture and sustainable development, while providing guides for self-assessment and implementation. **‘Culture 21: Actions’** recommends further expertise, peer-learning, and exchanges.

The UCLG Culture Summit is oriented towards creating a full global learning experience among participants. It will feature [good practices of Agenda 21 for culture](#) and will showcase the best projects of the first edition of the **‘International Award UCLG - Mexico City - Culture 21’**. Additionally, the results of the [Pilot Cities](#) programme will be presented. The Summit will also connect the UN Post-2015 Development Agenda and culture, building on the work carried out in the process of defining the Sustainable Development Goals, particularly [#culture2015goal](#) and [#UrbanSDG](#). It will also be an occasion for exchange with the international community and UN Agencies, as well as civil society organizations.

Please save the date of the Culture Summit in your diary (18-20 March 2015), discover its background document and explore the website www.uclg-culturesummit2015.org. You are encouraged to register as soon as possible, as participation is limited to around 250 participants.

Should you require any additional information, do not hesitate to contact the Secretariat of the Committee: info@agenda21culture.net.

Sincerely,

The UCLG World Secretariat

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