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Hannover 2000  
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# Dunkerque 2010

**6TH EUROPEAN CONFERENCE**

**ON SUSTAINABLE CITIES & TOWNS**

19 - 21 MAY 2010

**DUNKERQUE, FRANCE**

Delivering Sustainable Cities:  
The Local Leadership Challenge

# Programme

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# Welcome to Dunkerque

## Michel Delebarre

Former Minister of State;  
Mayor of Dunkerque;  
President of the  
Metropolitan Council of Dunkerque;  
Chair of the Commission for Territorial  
Cohesion (COTER), Committee of the  
Regions



Dunkerque has the honour of hosting the 6th European Sustainable Cities and Towns conference. For three days, over 1500 mayors, elected officials, technical experts and representatives of EU institutions, national governments, business and NGOs are present to debate, exchange and challenge ideas and experiences about the sustainable city of the 21st century.

This great conference marks an additional step in the concrete mobilisation of local governments and their significant role in the field of sustainable development. Local governments have a distinct political will and a territorial commitment that place them in a prime position for a true change of practice. The climate battle will be won in our cities and the role of local governments is now unavoidable. I even dare to say that your presence in Dunkerque is part of these milestones which trigger new dynamics and advance us along our way toward addressing the numerous challenges we face. I simply wish to welcome you to a land abounding with ideas when it comes to taking control of its destiny.

## Gino Van Begin

Regional Director for Europe;  
Deputy Secretary General  
ICLEI - Local Governments for  
Sustainability



We are proud to have you here in Dunkerque for a three day journey through the landscape of local sustainability efforts in Europe. Now more than ever, the financial, social, and climate challenges requires you to formulate and commit to innovative, progressive, sustainable responses. By attending Dunkerque 2010, you can reflect and exchange, as well as generate new ideas that serve to make communities across Europe better places to live. In Dunkerque, we will touch upon related international

policy processes, local innovation, political networking, and partnerships with businesses. We know that European local governments have the power and potential for bold local actions and visionary collaboration. Your active participation makes Dunkerque 2010 the most prominent, triennial, local sustainability rendez-vous in Europe.

## Emanuele Burgin

President  
Local Agenda 21 Italy;  
on behalf of the partners of the  
European Sustainable Cities and Towns  
Campaign



The success of the "Aalborg process on local sustainability" illustrates the growing ambition of local leaders to achieve a higher degree of sustainability in our cities and towns within a common European framework. Through the Aalborg Charter and Commitments, thousands of local governments in Europe have seriously committed themselves to enhance the sustainability of their urban areas. The concepts and ideas of these groundbreaking documents is explored once again, and re-confirmed within a changing European and global context.

We are pleased to welcome you to Dunkerque!



## Objectives of the conference

- Explore how sustainable development can help local governments to face the current economic, social and climate challenges and how it can be further implemented under the actual context of crisis;
- Convene key actors to identify what changes are needed to our political frameworks and explore how different sectors can cooperate to advance sustainable development in Europe;
- Assess and push forward the progress and achievements of European local governments in the field of sustainable development;
- Offer a unique opportunity to position local governments as willing partners and leaders on emissions reductions and innovative solutions toward COP 16 in Mexico;
- Convey a political message to Europe on the wider local sustainability agenda.



## Who are the participants

- Local government leaders and technical experts from all over Europe and other countries;
- Representatives of European and national networks of local governments;
- Strategic partner organisations such as business, NGOs and research institutions;
- High level representatives of European institutions, national governments and international organisations.



## Programme and speakers

The conference programme brings together the expertise of several European networks of local governments and numerous partner organisations in a joint effort to reach out to local governments all over Europe and present the most innovative examples. It features committed politicians and technical experts from local authorities across Europe and other parts of the world, internationally renowned experts and prestigious representatives from EU institutions, businesses and other organisations.

Over the course of the 3 conference days, participants will be taken on a journey through the landscape of local sustainability activities in Europe, touching upon international trends and local innovation, political networking and key messages for the future.

### Day 1 - Wednesday 19 May

#### Opening Plenary

Welcome  
**Europe 2050 - Where are cities going?**

9.00  
11.00

Break

AGORA

#### Key Plenary

**Climate change, economic crisis, social challenges**

11.30  
13.00

Lunch

AGORA

#### Interactive Debates

**Turning challenges into solutions – The local approach**

14.30  
16.00

Break

AGORA

#### Parallel sessions A

**Innovative solutions to local challenges**

16.30  
18.00

19.00

Evening reception & Dinner

### Day 2 - Thursday 20 May

#### Parallel sessions B

**Governing and managing sustainable cities**

AGORA

#### Cooperation debate

**Cooperation on eco-efficient and resilient urban infrastructure**

AGORA

#### Key plenary

**Connected and committed - Progress of local sustainability in Europe**

AGORA

#### Ceremonial Plenary

**Champions and newcomers**

17.30 **Mayors' Session**

Dining in Dunkerque

### Day 3 - Friday 21 May

#### Discussion Panel

**Next Climate Conference – COP16 in Mexico: Responsibilities ahead for local and national governments**

AGORA

#### Outlook Plenary

**A Europe of sustainable cities**

AGORA

#### Study visits





## The Aalborg Charter & the Aalborg Commitments

The European Sustainable Cities and Towns Campaign is working since 1994 to mainstream sustainable actions throughout Europe and gain wider political significance to support sustainable policies. It helps local governments across Europe to replicate the best local practices and to implement the Aalborg Charter and the Aalborg Commitments to achieve tangible results in local sustainable development.

### Sign the Aalborg Commitments at the Conference

Dunkerque 2010 provides a unique occasion for local governments to be inspired by sustainability leaders and make concrete commitments. An official signing ceremony of the Aalborg Commitments will take place during the ceremonial plenary 'Champions and Newcomers' on Thursday 20 May 2010, 16.30-17.30. Mayors or other authorized city representatives will be invited to go on the stage during this ceremonial plenary to sign the Aalborg Commitments. By signing the Aalborg Commitments, local governments set tangible targets towards sustainable development, turning the visions and principles of the Aalborg Charter into practical action.

Each European local government is invited to sign the Aalborg Commitments, irrespective of European Union membership. The document must be signed by the Mayor or another authorised local government representative. In order to respond effectively to a large number of requests, the city of Aalborg, who is in charge of the signing process, needs to be informed of your interest in advance. For more information, we invite you to contact the representatives of the City of Aalborg at the stand of the European Sustainable Cities & Town Campaign located in the Agora.



The Aalborg Charter is one of the most famous policy statements defining local sustainable development world-wide. It gave birth to the Sustainable Cities & Towns Campaign in 1994. Today, more than 2600 local authorities around Europe have signed up to the Aalborg Charter.

The Aalborg Commitments are a set of shared commitments to be jointly implemented by local governments across Europe to achieve local sustainability. More than 650 European local authorities have signed the Aalborg Commitments since its launching at the Aalborg 2004 conference and the number is still increasing.

**For more information on the Charter and the Commitments, please visit [www.aalborgplus10.dk](http://www.aalborgplus10.dk).**



### Dunkerque invites Mayors and City Leaders

Michel Delebarre is pleased to invite Mayors and City Leaders who attend the Conference to a special Mayors' Session on Thursday, 20 May, 17.30-19.30. This closed-door meeting is upon invitation only. It will gather around the same table key local leaders with different European backgrounds, opinions and experiences to discuss and share their personal visions on sustainability and discuss the pressing issues that face their communities.

The Mayors' Session will also offer an opportunity to discuss the political messages calling for the recognition of local governments as major actors in tackling climate change and in implementing overall sustainable development. The outcomes of the discussion will feed into the final plenary of the Conference and the political message that will be presented to high-level representatives of national government and European institutions.



## Discover sustainable initiatives in the Agora

The Agora - a place of assembly and exchange - will offer a structured space for participants to meet, present and discuss local projects and initiatives during the 3 days of the conference. Located at the intersection of the main conference rooms and other service areas (catering area, conference secretariat, computer centre, info point, registration desk, etc.), the Agora hall is equipped with:

- **An area with presentation spaces where several participants will present their sustainable initiatives over lunch and coffee breaks;**
- **Several exhibition stands where participants can discuss with representatives from different partner organisations and discover their sustainable initiatives;**
- **A central bar for relaxing and for informal meetings among participants.**

### ➔ Agora programme

We wish to thank the numerous participants who have submitted their presentation suggestions over the past months. These suggestions have enabled us to build a high-quality Agora Programme, which reflects the diversity of participants as well as the variety of fields of action related to the theme of the conference: Creating Sustainable Cities – The Local Leadership Challenge. The Agora programme includes presentations about local initiatives, policy processes, and research projects aimed at promoting local sustainable development by implementing concrete measures in various fields of action (climate, mobility, water, biodiversity, etc.).

Several presentations will take place in parallel during the coffee and lunch breaks. In order to reach a maximum number of participants, most presentations will be in French or English. The Agora programme has been designed to offer a maximum diversity of topics and a balanced language distribution during each set of presentations.

We invite you to consult the Agora programme and discover the numerous interesting presentations which you will be able to attend during coffee and lunch breaks.



## Side events

### ➔ LG Action meeting

(on invitation) - *In English*

**Tuesday, 18 May, 16.00-19.00**

#### Kursaal

The project LG Action «Networking action to involve Local Governments in the EU and international energy and climate debate» is an important local government (LG) networking action aimed at presenting LG positions relevant to climate and energy and to a range of actors: local government associations, national governments, the European Commission and feeding into the post-2012 climate negotiations.

#### LG Action in the Agora (open)

An Agora presentation on this project will take place Friday 21 May from 11.00 to 11.30. Link to this LG movement and share your views!

#### Contact:

Maryke van Staden, Project Coordinator, ICLEI Europe,  
maryke.van.staden@iclei.org

### ➔ Sustainability Management Networking Event

(on invitation) - *In English*

**Wednesday 19 May, 13.00-14.30**

#### Kursaal

Mainstreaming integrated sustainability management is the aim of the partners managing the CHAMP EU Project (UBC, Ambiente Italia, Coordinated Agende 21, ICLEI, Lake Constance Foundation, Suomen Kuntaliitto and Lake Balaton Development Coordination Agency). In order to support practitioners and experts, a concept for an integrated sustainability management working group or network is being developed and will be presented to potential partners for discussion.

#### Contact:

Holger Robrecht, Director of Sustainability Management, ICLEI Europe, holger.robrecht@iclei.org



## ➔ Sustainable development and urbanism - In French

Wednesday 19 May, 14.30-17.00

Kursaal - Salle Jean Bart

Initiated by the French network of urban agencies, a meeting on the theme: « Sustainable development : urban policies between standardisation and evaluation ». It aims to address the policies of cities with respect to norms established by European and National institutions.

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## ➔ Award of the RES Champion League - In English

Wednesday 19 May, 18.30-19.30

Kursaal - Agora

The RES Champions League is a network of national RES leagues, which aims at creating a positive renewable energy competition between European cities and towns. National leagues have already been established in Bulgaria, Czech Republic, France, Germany, Hungary, Italy and Poland. The local authorities in these countries compete in the fields of solar and wood energy. The European RES Champions League was launched during the joint Annual Conference of Climate Alliance and Energie-Cités in April 2009 (www.res-league.eu).

Contact:

Yannick Régnier, Coordinator, RES Champions League  
yannick.rehnier@cler.org

## ➔ ➔ Rendez-vous off - In French & English

Wednesday 19 May, 19.00

Restaurant La Cambuse

25 rue du gouvernement, Dunkerque

The "Elles de l'industrie" club will be hosting a special "Europe" cafe" along with a conference entitled "Women and men: building a sustainable European society".

Thursday 20 May, 19.30

CCI Dunkerque

In parallel to the 6<sup>th</sup> European Sustainable Cities and Towns Conference, the Chamber of Commerce of Dunkerque Côte d'Opale is organising a conference on the 'eco-responsibilities of

enterprises' on 20 May, in which Élie Cohen, Research Director of the CNRS, and the journalist Alex Taylor will take part.

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## ➔ Scenarios for a post-carbon city? - In French

Thursday 20 May, 9.00-17.00

Kursaal - Salle de la présidence

This is the question that the ENACT of Dunkerque, in collaboration with the CERTU, will pose to the speakers of this event. A forecasting workshop on sustainable urban planning, specifically designed for general directors of local local governments.

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## ➔ Without communication, no sustainable development - In French

Thursday 20 May, 14.00-18.00

Kursaal

As a side event, Dunkerque 2010 will offer the « Communication » and « Sustainable Development » working groups of the ACUF the possibility to meet in a jointly prepared workshop. The workshop will address strategies for communication related to sustainable development.

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## Tuesday, 18 May 2010

15.00 **Registration opens**

18.00 **Welcome cocktail - City Hall of Dunkerque**  
(Access upon presentation of your participant badge or invitation)

21.00 **Registration closes**

## Wednesday, 19 May 2010

8.00 **Registration opens**

9.30 **Opening** (Plenary P1)  
Master of Ceremony: **Jean-Michel Lobry**, President of Wéo, France

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### Welcome

**Michel Delebarre**, Former Minister of State, Mayor of Dunkerque, President of the Metropolitan Council of Dunkerque, Chair of the Commission for Territorial Cohesion (COTER), Committee of the Regions, France  
**Myriam Cau**, Vice-President responsible for Sustainable Development, Regional Council Nord-Pas-de-Calais, France  
**Michèle Pappalardo**, Commissioner for Sustainable Development, Ministry of Ecology, France  
**Gino Van Begin**, Regional Director for Europe, Deputy Secretary General, ICLEI -Local Governments for Sustainability  
**Emanuele Burgin**, Province of Bologna, President of Agende 21 Locali Italiane, Italy

### 2050 - Where are cities going?

Presentation of what a sustainable city could look like, outlining an inspirational vision for the future and highlighting shifts in policies and developments that are necessary to achieve this vision.

#### *Picturing the city of the future*

**Yann Arthus-Bertrand**, Photographer; Film-maker ("Home"), France (video)

#### *Anatomy of our urbanizing planet*

**Jeb Brugmann**, Urban Strategy and Innovation Consultant; Initiator of Local Agenda 21; Author, Canada

11.00 **Coffee break & Agora presentations**

11.30 **Climate change, economic crisis and social challenges** (Plenary P2)

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What are the current challenges for local governments in Europe? What is the role of the sustainable city concept in the struggle to restructure the global economy, secure employment and fight climate change? How can it help our societies to cope with demographic shifts, migrations and integration challenges? Can sustainability be further implemented under reduced financial and depleted natural resources?

**Facilitator:** **Steve Waller**, Sustainability Advisor, Improvement & Development Agency for Local Government, UK

#### *Climate change: What does science really say and what are our options?*

**Katherine Richardson**, Chairperson of the Danish Commission on Climate Change Policy; Vice Dean of the Faculty of Science, University of Copenhagen, Denmark

#### *A world in crisis: The Empathic Civilization*

**Jeremy Rifkin**, President of the Foundation on Economic Trends; Bestselling Author, USA (via video link)

#### *Reactions from European mayors and European Commission*

**Dominique Voynet**, Former Minister of Environment, Mayor of Montreuil, France  
**Manuela Rothman**, Councillor, City of Frankfurt, Germany  
**Fabrizio Barbato**, Deputy Director General, DG Energy, European Commission

13.00 **Agora presentations**

**Lunch - Offered by Véolia** (Access upon presentation of your participant badge)



14.30

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## Interactive debate: Turning challenges into solutions - The local approach (Plenary P3)

Local governments' representatives discuss what they can do and what changes in framework conditions they need on national and EU levels. In small round tables groups, each supported by a facilitator, participants have in depth opportunity to interact and discuss questions among themselves. The outcomes of the debate will be captured to feed further plenaries.

**Introduction:** [Stefan Kuhn](#), Director, Urban governance, ICLEI -Local Governments for Sustainability

### Debate facilitators:

[Stella Aaltonen](#), Network Manager, UBC-Union of the Baltic Cities, Turku, Finland  
[Camilla Alfredsson](#), Head of Environmental Strategy, Helsingborg, Sweden  
[Dora Almasy](#), Junior Expert Environmental Financing, REC, Szentendre, Hungary  
[David Artom](#), Deputy Director General, Ashdod, Israel  
[Gregory Azoulay](#), Consultant - Local Sustainable Economy, AlterSenso, Vincennes, France  
[Wolfgang Beckröge](#), Head of GIS & Territorial Survey, Regional Association Ruhr, Essen, Germany  
[Tina Billeter](#), Project Officer, Environment & Health Protection, Zurich, Switzerland  
[Andrea Binder-Zehetner](#), Managing Director, Local Agenda 21, Vienna, Austria  
[Lucie Blondel](#), Project Manager, Climate Alliance, Brussels' Office, Belgium  
[Orsola Bolognani](#), Member of the Board of Directors, Ambiente Italia Research Institute, Milano, Italy  
[Frédéric Boyer](#), European Affairs Officer, Energie-Cités, Bruxelles, Belgium  
[Marie Bullet](#), Policy Officer for Sustainable Development, CEMR, Brussels, Belgium  
[Andrea Burzacchini](#), Director, Aiforia Agency for Sustainability, Freiburg, Germany  
[Cécile Callewaert](#), Director for Culture, Metropolitan Council of Dunkerque, France  
[Susana Cuesta Márquez](#), Head of Urban Environment, Government of Navarre, Pamplona, Spain  
[Michael Damm](#), Head of Environmental Department, Aalborg, Denmark  
[Olivier De Clercq](#), Coordinator of Brussels Office, ACR+, Brussels, Belgium  
[Ousmane Drame](#), Mayor of Nioro; President, Association of Senegal Mayors, Senegal  
[Marc Dumoulin](#), Project Officer, Harbour Relations, Metropolitan Council of Dunkerque, France  
[Stéphane Durand](#), Director of Sustainable Development, Echirolles, France  
[Giovanni Fini](#), Head of Environmental Quality Unit, Municipality of Bolgna, Italy  
[Marianne Fontan](#), Senior Local Civil Servant, CNFTP - INET, Paris, France  
[Vincent Gibot](#), Director of Engineering, Metropolitan Council of Dunkerque, France  
[Juan Carlos Gimeno Gascón](#), President, Foundation Ciudades Sostenibles, Valencia, Spain  
[Trevor Grahmann](#), Head of Sustainable Development Unit, Municipality of Malmö, Sweden  
[Rebecca Guinard](#), Mobility Officer, Metropolitan Council of Dunkerque, France  
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[Samuel Horion](#), Director General of Urban Development, Metropolitan Council of Dunkerque, France  
[Didier Hubert](#), Director of Transport, Metropolitan Council of Dunkerque, France  
[Andreas Kress](#), Project Manager, Climate Alliance, Germany  
[Steffen Lervad Thomsen](#), Sustainability Coordinator, City of Aalborg, Denmark  
[Olivier Lemaire](#), General Director, International Association Cities and Ports  
[Bernard Levoisier](#), Metropolitan Council of Dunkerque, France  
[Fabienne Lesieux](#), Development Adviser, Metropolitan Council of Dunkerque, France  
[Deirdre Maes](#), Local Policy Officer, Flemish Platform for Sustainable Development, Brussels, Belgium  
[Jimmy Mary](#), Climate Officer, Metropolitan Council of Dunkerque, France  
[William Maufroy](#), Manager, Metropolitan Council of Dunkerque, France  
[Philippe Mertens](#), Sustainable Development Adviser, Belgian Association of Cities & Municipalities, Brussels, Belgium  
[Marité Moras](#), Secretary, Sustainable Development Commission, Congress of Local and Regional Authorities, Council of Europe  
[Jonathan Morice](#), Senior Local Civil Servant, CNFTP - INET, Strasbourg, France  
[Sarah Nilsson](#), Head of Strategic Environmental Issues, Växjö, Sweden  
[Rafael Ocana](#), Provincial Council of Barcelona, Spain  
[Joan Parpal Marfà](#), Secretary General, MedCities, Barcelona, Spain  
[Frédéric Plaisant](#), Head of Financial Action, Metropolitan Council of Dunkerque, France  
[Eric Ravou](#), Directorate General of Human Resources, Metropolitan Council of Dunkerque, France  
[Kenty Richardson](#), Head of the Executive Director's Office, REC, Szentendre, Hungary  
[Ana Maria Rodriguez Eneriz](#), Mayor, Government of Navarre, Cabanillas, Spain  
[Heidi Romming](#), Councillor, Oslo, Norway  
[Christophe Rouillon](#), Member of the CoR; Mayor of Coulaines, France  
[Laurence Rousseau](#), Senior Local Civil Servant, CNFTP - INET, La Madeleine, France  
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[Michael Sattler](#), Deputy Head of Executive Office, Climate protection measures, Vienna, Austria  
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[Christian Schrefel](#), Programme Manager, Local Agenda 21, Vienna-Josefstadt, Austria  
[Kari Silfverberg](#), Environmental Planner, Local Agenda 21 Coordinator, Helsinki, Finland  
[Fabrice Truant](#), Technician of Environment, Metropolitan Council of Dunkerque, France  
[Frederic Tsitonis](#), Deputy Mayor for Heritage & Resources, City of Montpellier, France  
[Damien Vanoverschelde](#), Deputy General Director of Services, Municipality of Toulon, France  
[Venelina Varbova](#), Expert Environmental Financing, REC, Szentendre, Hungary  
[Risto Veivo](#), Advisor to Deputy Mayor, City of Turku, Finland  
[Jan Westerberg](#), Head of Environment, Mariehamn, Finland  
[Hara Xirou](#), Project Manager, ACR+, Brussels, Belgium

16.00

## Coffee break & Agora presentations

# Wednesday, 19 May 2010

**16.30** Innovative solutions to local challenges

**Parallel sessions A**

## A1 - New challenges for port cities

**Facilitator:** **Olivier Lemaire**, General Director, International Association Cities and Ports

**Juan Alvaro Alayo Azcarate**, Director of Planning and Development, Bilbao Ria 2000  
**Martine Bonny**, Chair of Executive Committee, Port de Dunkerque, France  
**Pito Dingemanse**, Manager, Spatial Planning, Port of Amsterdam, Netherlands  
**Najmaddin Musabaev**, Mayor, Aralsk, Kazakhstan  
**Nicolas Terrassier**, Director, Urbanism Agency, Saint Nazaire, France

Room Alexandre EN, FR

## A2 - Sustainable mobility choices and accessibility

**Facilitator:** **Sir Albert Bore**, CoR Member; Birmingham City Council, United Kingdom

**Michael Glotz-Richter**, Senior Project Manager, Bremen, Germany  
**Serge Godard**, Mayor, Clermont-Ferrand; Member of the GART, France  
**Andres Martinez**, Project Manager, Mobility Department, San Sebastian, Spain  
**Alicja Pawlowska**, Traffic Engineering Officer, Gdynia, Poland

Room La Vigie EN, FR

## A3 - Building: the challenge of the existing stocks

**Facilitator:** **Gérard Magnin**, Director of Energie-Cités

**Grégoire Clerfayt**, Director, Cabinet of the Minister of Bruxelles-Capitale, Belgium  
**Blaise Desbordes**, Sustainability Department, Caisse des Dépôts, France  
**Carine Puyol**, Union Sociale pour l'Habitat – Representation to the European Union  
**Jan Sponar**, Municipality Manager, Brno-Nowy Liskovec, Czech Republic

Room Océane EN, FR

## A4 - Quality of Life - Strengthening local communities

**Facilitator:** **Birgit Georgi**, Project manager, European Environment Agency, Copenhagen, Denmark

**Petri Kahila**, Senior Research Fellow, Nordic Centre for Spatial Development (Nordregio), Stockholm, Sweden  
**Åsa Karlsson Björkmarker**, Member of the Executive Board, Växjö, Sweden  
**Astrid Scharly**, Vice President responsible for sustainable development, Lille Metropolitan Area, France

Room Estacade EN, FR

## A5 - Socially inclusive societies

**Facilitator:** **Frédéric Vallier**, Secretary General, CEMR

**Jef Gabriels**, President, Association of Flemish Cities and Municipalities; Former Mayor, City of Genk, Belgium  
**Bashy Qurashy**, Chair of Advisory Council, ENAR (European Network Against Racism)  
**Haroon Saad**, Director, European Regeneration Areas Network

Room Alcyon EN, FR

## A6 - Responsible consumption & waste reduction

**Facilitator:** **Olivier De Clercq**, Coordinator, Brussels Office, ACR+

**Hugh Coughlan**, Administrative Officer, Dublin, Ireland  
**Gilles Mahé**, Deputy Mayor, Angers, France  
**Mireia Padros**, Coordinator of the EWWR, Catalan Waste Agency, Spain  
**Peter Tom Jones**, University of Leuven, Belgium

Room Casino EN, FR

## A7 - Adaptation to climate change - Building local strategies

**Facilitator:** **Thorsten Geissler**, Senator of Lubeck, Germany

**Pierre Crepeaux**, Project Manager for Climate, Grand Lyon, France  
**Ronan Dantec**, Deputy Mayor, Nantes, France  
**Henning Jensen**, CoR Member; Mayor, Næstved, Denmark  
**Rob Roggema**, Province of Groningen, Netherlands

Room Citadelle EN, FR, DE

## A8 - Local renewable energy

**Facilitator:** **Paula Baker**, CoR Member; Basingstoke and Deane Borough Council, United Kingdom

**Paolo Casprini**, Environmental Policy Director, Province of Siena, Italy  
**Christian Keglövits**, Project Coordinator, EEE, Guessing, Austria  
**Gustaf Landahl**, Head of Environment and Health, Stockholm, Sweden  
**Atanaska Nikolova**, Deputy Mayor, Burgas, Bulgaria

Room Poseidon EN, FR, IT

## A9 - Biodiversity - Why local governments are key stakeholders

**Facilitator:** **Monika Zimmermann**, Director, ICLEI's International Training Center  
**Philippe Bodard**, Mayor, Mûrs-Erigné, France  
**Marie Decima**, Environmental Officer, Cerdd, France  
**Valeria Kelemen-Pepeonik**, City Planning Advisor, Zagreb, Croatia  
**Toni Pujol Vidal**, Environmental Officer, City of Barcelona, Spain  
**Laura Valente de Macedo**, Regional Director, ICLEI-Latin America and Caribbean

Room Digue EN, FR

## A10 - Towards a water-sensitive city

**Facilitator:** **Anne Le Strat**, Deputy Mayor of Paris responsible for water, France

**Martine Beuken**, Water Coordinator, 's-Hertogenbosch, the Netherlands  
**Lola Campos**, Councillor for Environment, Zaragoza, Spain  
**Helena Hecimovic**, Councillor, Koprivnica, Croatia  
**Malena Karlsson**, Project Leader, Stockholm, Sweden  
**Alain Rodet**, Mayor, Limoges, France

Room Neptune EN, FR, ES

**18.00** End of day 1

**19.00** Evening reception and dinner - Offered by GDF SUEZ

(Access upon presentation of your participant badge)

**21.00** Concert Sinsemilia

Parking of the Paul Asséman Pool

# Thursday, 20 May 2010

# Thursday

**9.00 Newsflashes - Highlights of day 1**

**9.30 Governing and managing sustainability cities**

**Parallel sessions B**

## B1 - The dynamics of changing citizen behaviour

**Facilitator:** Jean-Pierre Triquet, Director of Communications, Metropolitan Area of Dunkerque

Céline Braillon, Project Manager, Ministry of Ecology, France

Olivier Ceznec, Director for development, CISCO

Jacqi Hodgson, Coordinator of Energy Descent Pathways Project; Councillor, Transition Town Totnes, United Kingdom

Alexander Krohn, Director for Energy, Heidelberg, Germany

Christophe Pannetier, President i-solution, Associated Director, CM International, France

Gérard Poujade, Mayor, Séquestre leTarn, France

Room Océane EN, FR

## B2 - Culture and development: towards sustainable cities

**Facilitator:** Catherine Cullen, Deputy Mayor for Culture, Lille, France

Renaud Denuit, Advisor to the Director, DG Education and Culture, European Commission, Belgium

Mikko Fritze, Director, Tallin 2011, Tallinn, Estonia

Marie-Louise Rönmark, Mayor, Umeå, Sweden

Room Estacade EN, FR

## B3 - Urban planning

**Facilitator:** Vanni Bulgarelli, Agende 21 Locali Italiane, Modena, Italy

Emilio D'Alessio, Former President, Agende 21 Locali Italiane, Italy

Helena Kock Aström, Coordinator, Environmental Affairs, Linköping, Sweden

Bernard Poirier, Vice-president responsible for Sustainable Development, Rennes, France

Norbert Schröder-Klings, Head, Urban Planning and Development, Freiburg, Germany

Room Citadelle EN, FR, DE

## B4 - Cooperation between levels of government

**Facilitator:** Rafael Ocaña, Environmental Officer, Province of Barcelona, Spain

Catarina Freitas, Head of Environment, Almada, Portugal

Olivier Landel, Director, Communautés Urbaines de France, France

Leif Pedersen, Chairman of the Green Cities partnership and member of the City council of Albertslund Municipality, Denmark

Ferran Vallespinós, Coordinator for Environment, Barcelona Provincial Council, Spain

Room Neptune EN, FR, ES

## B5 - European strategy and opportunities for financing

**Facilitator:** Pierre Jarlier, Mayor, Saint Flour; President, AFCCRE Territorial cohesion working group, Cantal, France

Calin Chira, Brussels Office, Romanian Municipalities Association, Belgium

Flo Clucas, CoR Member; Deputy Council Leader, Liverpool, UK

Pierre Dartout, Interministerial Delegate, Agency for planning and regional attractiveness (DATAR), France

Jana Fišerová, Mayor, Havlíčkův Brod; President, Committee for Foreign Cooperation of the Union of Towns and Communities, Czech Republic

Reinhard Six, Energy Specialist, European Investment Bank, Luxembourg

Room Digue EN, FR

## B6 - Sustainable public procurement

**Facilitator:** Steve Waller, Sustainability Adviser, Improvement & Development Agency for Local Government (IDeA), UK

Barbara Armanini, Responsible of Local Agenda 21, Province of Cremona, Italy

Matthew Galvin, Responsible Procurement Manager, Greater London Authority, UK

Serge Hombert, Project Officer for Purchasing, Union for Grouping of Public Purchases (UGAP), France

Maud Lelièvre, Executive Officer, Ecomaires, France

Livia Mazzà, GPP Partner (Ecosistemi), Province of Cremona, Italy

Pekka Sauri, Deputy Mayor, City of Helsinki, Finland

Room Alexandre EN, FR

## B7 - Integrated sustainability management

**Facilitator:** Holger Robrecht, Director, Sustainability Management, ICLEI

Paolo Casprini, Environmental Policy Director, Province of Siena, Italy

Bettina Dech-Pschorn, Environment Department, Kaiserslautern, Germany

Pekka Salminen, Union of Baltic Cities, Environmental Secretariat, Finland

Room Poseidon EN, FR, IT

## B8 - Cooperation with business

**Facilitator:** Per Bødker Andersen, Deputy Mayor of Kolding, Denmark

Giuseppe Bortone, General Manager of Environment, Emilia-Romagna Region, Italy

Michael Damm, Head of Environment, Aalborg, Denmark

Bernard Guirkinger, Executif Committee, SUEZ Environment, France

Room Casino EN, FR

## B9 - International urban cooperation

**Facilitator:** Joan Parpal, Secretary General, MedCities

Vincent Feltesse, President, Urban Community of Bordeaux, France

Raffaella Gueze, Environmental Officer, Bologna, Italy

Ingrid Molander, Project Manager, Municipality of Botkyrka, Sweden

Mustapha Naamoune, Director, Urbanisation Agency, Annaba, Algérie

Room La Vigie EN, FR

## B10 - Research and innovation

**Facilitator:** Bertrand Wert, Policy Officer, European Commission, Belgium

Vincent Cousin, Advisor for Industry, Advancity, France

Marko Joas, Head, Political Science, Åbo Akademi University, Finland

Risto Veivo, Advisor to Deputy Mayor, City of Turku, Finland

Room Alcyon EN, FR

**11.00 Coffee break & Agora presentations**



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**11.30 Cooperation on Eco-efficient and Resilient Urban Infrastructure** (Sub-Plenaries **C1-C3**)

Local Governments meets other sectors: How can we transform cities and enhance their eco-efficiency? Municipal and business leaders brainstorm on better models for cooperative "infrastructure governance". A variety of players involved in planning, management and operation of infrastructure sectors (buildings, roads and transport, waste, utilities, telecommunication, etc.) meet a multitude of interests from public and private actors.

**Introduction of the Co-Chairs and statement by Bruno Lanvin**, Executive Director, eLAB, INSEAD, France; Chair, Global Agenda Council on the Future of Government

**C1 - Building and Construction**

Panellists discuss the new developing responsibilities that are emerging for general contractors and local governments, and address the need to deliver a radical change to take the sustainable construction agenda forward and committing to higher standards to help achieve sustainability in the building and construction industry.

**Chair: Konrad Otto Zimmerman**, Secretary General, ICLEI

**Panellists confirmed include:**

**Khaled Awad**, Founder of Grenea, CEO of Advanced Construction Technology Services, Former Director of Property Development, Masdar City Initiative, Abu Dhabi, United Arab Emirates

**Carl Cederschiöld**, Mayor Emeritus; President of CEEP (European Centre of Employers and Enterprises providing Public services), Stockholm, Sweden  
**Flo Clucas**, CoR Member; Deputy Council Leader, Liverpool, United Kingdom

**Augustin De Romanet**, General Director, Caisse des Dépôts et Consignations, France

**Antoine Frérot**, CEO, Veolia, France

**Stéphane Quéré**, Senior Vice President, Sustainable Urbanization, GDF Suez

**Lars Tveen**, CEO, Danfoss District Energy, Denmark

Room Jean Bart

**C2 - Utilities: Energy and Water**

Panellists tackle how public and private utilities can play a leading role in assisting communities, societies, and economies to advance sustainable development, and how cooperation with local governments facilitates the implementation of sustainable utilities programs to preserve water resources and build a sound energy infrastructure.

**Chair: Jeb Brugmann**, Urban Strategy and Innovation Consultant; Initiator of Local Agenda 21; Author, Canada

**Panellists confirmed include:**

**Tommy Eggers**, Alderman for The Public Utility Department, Aalborg, Denmark

**Alison Hay**, Councillor, Argyll and Bute, UK; Spokesperson for Environment and Sustainability, COSLA

**Anne Le Strat**, Deputy Mayor in charge of water, Paris, France

**Atanaska Nikolova**, Deputy Mayor, Burgas, Bulgaria

**Henri Proglio**, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer, Electricité de France, France

**Ziad Tassabehji**, Founder of Grenea, Former Director of Utilities and Asset Management, Masdar City Initiative, Abu Dhabi, United Arab Emirates

Plenary Hall

**C3 - Mobility and Logistics**

Representing transport users and transport providers, panellists discuss their common interest in achieving the objectives of both competitiveness and sustainability in transport and related logistics. They express their wishes and expectations on how to "shift into gear" and cooperate on concerted initiatives to improve local transport efficiency and sustainability.

**Chair: Sherif El Diwany**, Director, Head of Middle East and North Africa and Arab Business Council, World Economic Forum

**Panellists confirmed include:**

**Andrée Buchmann**, Vice President of the Metropolitan Council of Strasbourg, Regional councillor for Alsace, France

**Cyrille du Peloux**, CEO, Veolia Transport, France

**Bernard Emsellem**, Director General for Ecomobility, SNCF (French National Railways), France

**Patxi Lazcoz**, Mayor, Vitoria-Gasteiz, Spain

**Zvonimir Mrsic**, Mayor, Koprivnica, Croatia

Room Citadelle

**13.00 Agora presentations**

**Lunch - Offered by EDF** (Access upon presentation of your participant badge)

**14.30 Connected and committed - Progress of local sustainability in Europe** (Plenary P4)

An assessment of the progress of the local sustainability movement in Europe through existing commitment schemes and policy movements. How are European cities advancing? How have they changed? How can new movements and commitment schemes lead to concrete actions? What do we need to push sustainable development further?

**Facilitator: Maria Berrini**, President of the Ambiente Italia Research Institute, Milan, Italy

**The Aalborg Commitments**

**Henning G. Jensen**, Mayor of Aalborg, Denmark

**Thomas Kastrup-Larsen**, Alderman for Health and Sustainable Development, Aalborg Denmark

**The Covenant of Mayors**

**Joan Antoni Baron**, Mayor of Mataró; President, Barcelona Provincial Council, Spain

**The Leipzig Charter: Reference framework for European sustainable cities**

**André Rossinot**, Mayor of Nancy, President of the Metropolitan Community of the Larger Nancy, France

**The aftermath of Copenhagen: Global confusion versus city consensus**

**Klaus Bondam**, Deputy Mayor of Copenhagen, Denmark

**16.00 Coffee break & Agora presentations**

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**16.30 Champions and newcomers** (Ceremonial Plenary P5)

PLENARY  
HALL

What is behind the sustainability achievements of advanced European cities, and what drives them to be pioneers in societal innovation? Presentation followed by a ceremony to recognize the sustainable leaders and invite other cities to follow their steps.

**Facilitator: Bob Evans**, Professor at the Sustainable Cities Research Institute and the School of the Built Environment; Former Director of the Sustainable Cities Research Institute, Newcastle upon Tyne, UK

**The Green Capital Awards**

**Jüri Ratas**, Vice-President of the Riigikogu (National Parliament), Estonia

**Stockholm and Hamburg, Green Capitals 2010 and 2011**

**Carl Cederschiöld**, Mayor Emeritus of Stockholm; President of CEEP, Sweden

**Stephan Hugo Winters**, State Secretary, Hamburg, Germany

**Inviting the new signatories to the Aalborg Commitments**

(More information about the procedure to follow to sign the Aalborg Commitment at the conference on page 5)

**Michel Delebarre**, Former Minister of State; Mayor of Dunkerque; President of the Metropolitan Council of Dunkerque; Chair of the Commission for Territorial Cohesion (COTER), Committee of the Regions, France

**Henning G. Jensen**, Mayor of Aalborg, Denmark

**17.30 Mayors' Session**

This closed-door meeting of Mayors and City Leaders is upon invitation only. (See description on page 5)

**Guest of Honor: Alain Juppé**, Former Prime Minister, France.

**17.30 Seaside cocktail - Kursaal**

**19.30 Dinner in one of the many suggested restaurants of Dunkerque**

The Metropolitan Council of Dunkerque is pleased to invite all participants to enjoy the evening in the restaurant of their choice. Meal tickets will be given together with a selection of restaurants that will host activities on different themes.

Three pick-up points are organised for buses to return you to your hotels. More information is available at the info point in the Kursaal and at the participating restaurants.





**Friday, 21 May 2010**

**9.00 Newsflashes - Highlights of day 2**

**9.30 Next Climate Conference – COP16 in Mexico: Responsibilities ahead for local and national governments** (Panel Discussion P6)

How can European local governments position themselves as willing partners to lead and to cooperate on emission reductions and innovative solutions? What are the challenges ahead for local and national governments towards achieving EU emission reduction targets and reaching an international climate agreement? How can international organisations and other sectors facilitate their cooperation?

**Facilitator:** **Alex Taylor**, Journalist and professional moderator

**Panellists confirmed include:**

**Yunus Arikan**, Director, Cities Climate Center; Focal point for local governments at the UNFCCC, Bonn, Germany

**István László Bart**, Policy Officer, Adaptation unit, DG Climate Action, European Commission;

**Mercedes Bresso**, Regional Councillor, Piedmont Region, Italy; President of the Committee of the Regions;

**Ronan Dantec**, Deputy Mayor of Nantes, France; Climate Spokesperson of UCLG;

**Michel Destot**, Mayor of Grenoble; President of AMGVF, France;

**11.00 Coffee break & Agora presentations**

**11.30 A Europe of sustainable cities** (Plenary P7)

Presentation of the key findings and messages of the 6th European Sustainable Cities & Towns Conference, and presentation by high level representatives of European institutions of their approaches to support local and regional level initiatives towards sustainability in the upcoming years.

***Adoption of the Dunkerque 2010 political messages (by acclamation)***

***Key findings and messages***

**Michel Delebarre** Former Minister of State; Mayor of Dunkerque; President of the Metropolitan Council of Dunkerque; Chair of the Commission for Territorial Cohesion (COTER), Committee of the Regions

***Statements from High-Level Representatives***

Congress of Local and Regional Authorities, Council of Europe, **Gaye Doganoglu**, Chair of the Committee on Sustainable Development

Spanish Ministry for the Environment, Minister Elena Espinosa Mangana, represented by **Francisco Cadarso**, Senior Advisor

European Parliament, Member **Jo Leinen** (video)

Committee of the Regions, President **Mercedes Bresso**, Regional Councillor, Piedmont Region, Italy

European Commission, Commissioner for Environment, **Janez Potočnik** (video)

European Commission, Commissioner for Regional Policy, **Johannes Hahn**

***Farewell message***

**13.00 Agora presentations**

**Farewell Lunch - Offered by the Caisse des Dépôts et Consignations**

(Access upon presentation of your participant badge)

**14.30 Study visits** (see the descriptions on page 15)



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## Study visits in Dunkerque

Driven by its history of pioneering, Dunkerque aims to be at the forefront of innovation in sustainable development. Through the study visits, participants will have the opportunity to discover local sustainable initiatives, while being immersed in the reality of the inhabitants of Dunkerque and Flanders.

### **Site 11/19, a benchmark for sustainable development (14:30-19:00)**



Discover the heritage of the Nord-Pas de Calais region by exploring Site 11/19, a former mining extraction area. The conversion of this abandoned industrial land represents a reference point of eco-planning. Meet representatives of environmental organisations on site and learn about the landscape and the hills of Artois.

### **Explore the aluminium lifecycle (14:30-18:30)**

Explore the site of Rio Tinto Alcan, global leader in the aluminium industry and top French electricity and gas consumer. Understand the energy issues faced by this industry and discover the significant progress achieved in terms of energy efficiency and reduced emissions.

### **Sustainable communities: construction, renovation, and information (14:30-18:30)**



Take an educational trip through the Maison3d ("3D House"), an information and education centre on sustainable development. Continue your tour with a visit of the Technical Community Centre and the Wemaere Farm which have drawn attention for their high environmental standards.

### **Water in Dunkerque – a sustainable approach (14:30-18:30)**

Discover the region's unique hydrological system, resulting from its location on the delta of the Aa river. Learn about the Aa delta's Development and Management Water Plan and understand how the district aspires to care for the needs of consumers while protecting the natural environment and ensuring good water quality for all uses.

### **The Greater Metropolitan area– territory of innovation and contemporary creation (14:30-18:30)**

Discover the symbolic locations where memory, heritage, and contemporary art intersect: a first visit to the "cathedral", former warehouse for production of ships which will host the regional contemporary art collection, followed by a stroll through the gallery "Lieu d'Art et d'Action Contemporaine".

### **Global district Energy Climate Award : « From Copenhagen to Dunkerque » (14:30-18:30)**

Discover the district heating network of Dunkerque and Saint-pol-sur-mer, and follow the process from heat capture to heating distribution. In November 2009, Dunkerque was awarded the global district Energy Climate Award by the International Energy Agency, in recognition of their local district energy leadership.

### **Pre-registration required!**

Please note that pre-registration is required to take part in one of the study visit. You have normally selected a study visit upon registering to the conference. For your information, the lists of all participants registered for the different study visits are posted near the Info Point at the entrance of the Agora. The staff at the Info Point will be pleased to assist you with any question regarding your participation in a study visit.

### **Industrial ecology: the Dunkerque example (14:30-18:30)**

*(Identification papers required for entrance to the site)*

Visit the Dunkerque 6 plant, France's first large independent Combined Cycle Plant which is a unique technological innovation in terms of power generation and design. Familiarise yourself with the technology and discover how electricity is harnessed by capturing metallurgical gas-fuelled waste heat with a combined-cycle gas turbine.

### **Discover Dunkerque's new seaside eco-district (14:30-18:30)**

*(Identification papers required for entrance to the site)*

Cruise through the Grand Large district, Dunkerque's former shipbuilding docks, which are being transformed into a new energy-wise district. Discover a zero carbon emission house, which serves as a research laboratory for the future ecological district of the city.



### **Biodiversity and differentiated management of green spaces (14:30-18:30)**

Visit two towns in the vicinity of Dunkerque that have successfully integrated differentiated green spaces management to harmonise biodiversity conservation with human activities. Discover management strategies and awareness campaigns

and understand the necessity for an integrated approach and for a coherent management model.

### **The Dunkerque heritage, a catalyst for sustainable development (14:30-16:00)**

As part of its sustainable development initiatives, the Urban Community of Dunkerque wishes to bolster the attractiveness of the region by accentuating its historical, cultural, and coastal heritage. Explore the sites which strengthen the creation of a sustainable city: the Citadelle maritime quarter, the seaside, the train station district and the city center.

### **The paths of biodiversity (14:30-18:30)**

Take a stroll along the: « paths of biodiversity », a tour developed by ArcelorMittal through the steel production sites of Dunkerque and Mardyck. This initiative contributes to the creation of an ecological corridor in the urban area of Dunkerque.



### **Biodiversity and environmental education (14:30-18:00)**

Explore the Vernaelde farm as well as a Dunkerque neighborhood undergoing urban renovation. These two operations aim at improving standard of living for citizens, and increasing awareness for environmental protection via participatory processes that bring together nature, food science, and community initiatives.

## Cultural events in Dunkerque

### ➡ MUSIC

#### Sinsemilia



# Culture

A concert for the Crossroads for sustainable development on Wednesday, 19 May at 20:30 in front of the Paul Asseman pool.

Following the success of their first album and their single *Tout le bonheur du monde*, **Sinsemilia** continues the musical adventure it launched nearly 20 years ago in Grenoble. With its new album: « En quête de sens », the band stays true to its musical identity, merging reggae, rock and French pop, and opens new doors of expression. The repertoire of this close-knit band has been enriched with new motifs, and older melodies are revisited with more gusto than ever before. The Brazilian band **Coletivo vix**, 13 musicians from Vitoria, and the experimental rock group **Yolk** will open for these elite performers, resuming the joint efforts started last year within the framework of an international cooperation initiative with the Metropolitan Urban Council of Dunkerque.

### ➡ EXHIBITION

#### Journey from Denmark to Gibraltar

The European coastline photographed by Jens Fink-Jensen. At the Musée portuaire on the Citadelle dock.

The exhibit is a photographic journey along the west coast of Europe, from Denmark's northern Jutland peninsula to the Rock of Gibraltar. The images are spontaneous snapshots of places and situations along the shore, regardless of the whims of weather and light. Coastal cities and towns have always been vulnerable, with a history of conquests, pillages, sieges and evacuations. The sea was a promise of a new life, yet also synonymous with dangers and threats: shipwrecks, floods and storms that destroyed entire cities. Though the images depict cultural differences along the coastline, with changes in architecture, language, boats, culinary culture and climate across national boundaries, they highlight the similarities over the 10,000 km long continental European coastline, where inhabitants are united through the medium of the sea.



Jens Fink-Jensen is a poet, author, photographer, composer and architect born in Copenhagen, Denmark in 1956. He is the author of a variety of poetry collections, short stories and children's books. He is featured regularly in photo exhibitions in Denmark, Norway, Sweden and France.

### ➡ CINEMA

#### «Local solutions for a global disorder »

Film by Coline Serreau, showing at the Studio 43 at the Pôle Marine.

Coline Serreau travelled the world, from India to Brasil and passing through Europe, to interview those who conceive and implement local solutions to fight against the malfunctions and jolts of the system, specifically the intense agriculture that damages the integrity of ecosystems.

### ➡ EXHIBITION

#### « The climate refugees »

An exhibit addressing an environmental issue that affects the entire planet, its aim is to raise awareness and inform the larger public about the consequences of global warming. On display at the at the Bibliothèque Universitaire in Citadelle from 17 to 28 May 2010.



## Cultural events in Dunkerque

### ➡ AT THE LAAC

#### Mark Brusse,

##### « Heureusement l'art n'est pas raisonnable »

In 2006, Mark Brusse donated 3 sculptures from his « Natural Wood » series (1968) to the LAAC. To promote the artist and his exceptional donation, the LAAC is featuring the important exhibit « Heureusement l'art n'est pas raisonnable » ("Fortunately art is not reasonable"). The show brings together over 80 works and highlights the fundamentals of the artist's methods, from the 1960s to present-day.

#### Michel Laubu,

##### Appartement témoin ("Witness apartment")

A curiously refurbished apartment, featuring the entertaining use of motorized furniture that set objects into motion: spoons, forks, guitars, drums... A visual and musical installation by Michel Laubu that interacts with the visitor and breathes life into a small invented community.

Marta Minujin and Mark Brusse,  
La Chambre d'amour II, 1963-2008

Mark Brusse,  
Bob's empty chair, 2009



### ➡ AT THE MUSEE DES BEAUX-ARTS

#### You are HERE°

In the style of a cabinet of curiosities, five Masters students offer a survey of **cartography**, where artworks and objects from local Dunkerque museums interact with contemporary creation.

#### Corps à corps ("Body to body")

An invitation to explore the collections of local Dunkerque museums, « Corps à Corps » ("Body to body") calls into question the relationship between the artist and the body and displays works by Luca Giordano, Alessandro Magnasco, Antoine Louis Barye, Eugène Leroy, Henri Cueco, Philippe Favier...



Nicole Tran Ba Vang  
"Collection Printemps/Eté 2001",  
Untitled 06, 2001



Charles Z. Landelle,  
Suzanne au bain, XIXème

### ➡ EXHIBITION

#### « The future of the FRAC »

From september to october 2010 at the Pôle Marine.

The FRAC (Regional Contemporary Art Funds ) for the Nord/ Pas-de-Calais region presents an installation from designer Scott King. With a piece of the exhibit relocated from its original context, the artist's concept presents the development project of the FRAC, notably its relocation to the AP 2, the old site of the Chantiers de France. Installed in the hall of the employment house (Dunkerque), the exhibit leads the audience to discover "The future of the FRAC". In parallel, the artist presents the interactive installation: « Conversations autour du projet AP2 » ("Conversations on the AP2 project").





# Dunkerque 2010 : Crossroads for sustainable development

Throughout 2010, the amount of events, nature courses, conferences, exhibitions, films and stories related to all aspects of sustainable development will greatly increase across the Dunkerque region. A programme of events has been offered since the beginning of this year, thanks to the commitment of local communities and associations, so that the 6th Sustainable Cities and Towns Conference is accessible to the whole population and also becomes a **crossroads for sustainable development issues**.

## EVENTS:

**22 May from 2pm to 6pm**

### **Festival of Nature**

The city of Dunkerque will be organising meetings at the Place du Palais de Justice related to the Festival of Nature.

Different stands are planned in order to raise public awareness on environmental issues and in particular, the importance of developing nature within the city. Opportunities offered will include a chance to discover beekeeping from Apinord, an introduction to composting with the CUD and the CPIE, a presentation of the **"Portrait of nature on the canals"** initiative, work carried out on ornithology with children in the areas concerned, the building of nest boxes, and a presentation of the **"Let's make our walls more green"** initiative. A walk along the canals will also be organised, led by knowledgeable local people.

## CLEAN EVENTS :



The "Clean Event" initiative is part of a regional process and belongs to a programme of activities focused on "encouraging the region to act" on the charter for waste set up by the Metropolitan Urban Council of Dunkerque. Within the context of its sports policy, Dunkerque participates in the "Agenda 21" programme for French sports which support sustainable development. The programme brings together the three main areas concerning sustainable development – social issues, economic issues and environmental issues. This policy applies in particular to sporting events organised within the region. In addition to this initiative, the Metropolitan Urban Council of Dunkerque hopes to widen their activities within sporting organisations and turn them into real 'eco-civic' clubs. Citizens should be sufficiently informed and



## The 3D Centre

### **A sustainable development information and education centre**

The 3D Centre, which opened in January 2008 in Petite-Synthe at the 'Urban Community Waste Recycling Centre', is an establishment which provides education and information. It is set out over 7 areas which together form an attractive programme across 1500 m<sup>2</sup>. Its aim is to raise awareness of the sustainable development issues which affect the planet, experiences with local involvement in this field and the activities which can be carried out by the individual.

Everyone is invited to pay a visit in order to learn about, discover and exchange ideas about the issues connected to waste, water, transport, energy and nature. The 3D Centre is the first establishment of its kind to open in France and it often welcomes school students and teachers as well as the general public.

For more information, please call: +33 (0)3 28 60 06 94 or contact: [maison3d@cud.fr](mailto:maison3d@ cud.fr)



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aware of responsible actions they can carry out in order to take an active part in the region's waste reduction and management policy. The organisers of the **Sailing Tour de France (starting from Dunkerque, from the 26 to 29 June)** and the Ronde des Sables race (20 and 21 November) have committed themselves to this process and to raising awareness among their partners, teams, spectators, and participants on the need to adhere to the recycling facilities located on the event premises.

**On the 23 May** the **Dunkerque Triathlon**, Lyonnaise des Eaux Grand Prix will take place. This triathlon has been labelled as a **"Sustainable triathlon"** by the French Federation and as a Clean Event by the Metropolitan Urban Council of Dunkerque.

## STORIES:

Throughout 2010, a series of stories aimed at families and about subjects connected to the environment and sustainable development will be made available at different places throughout the region, in partnership with local communities.

## NATURE TRIPS:

**19 June**

### **"Along the canals" Festival**

Community centres from the Soubise and lower town areas who actively organise civic activities will be inviting inhabitants to join them and the Entrelaines Association on a nature discovery along the banks of the canal, particularly at the junction which connects the two areas. This activity contributes towards the town's desire to promote knowledge of the canal's banks and their riches in order to help preserve and develop them. Their involvement in urban

redevelopment policies which affect the two areas represent a considerable section of their global policy of the preservation and development of biodiversity within the urban environment.

**Sunday 20 June 2010**

### **8th "Festival du Sable et des Erables" from the Flanders Maritime region CPIE : Biodiversity is for life!**

The Flanders Maritime regional office of the CPIE, which provides environmental education for the public, is opening its doors on



**Sunday 20 June from 10am to 6pm with their «Festival du Sable et des Erables»** (Festival of Sand and Maple Trees). This festive event is great fun and is devoted to anyone, adult or child, who wants to find out about the environment and its riches. Held on the green and enchanting Dune au Lierre, this seaside festival enables the general public to discover the multiple activities of the association and to meet local and regional associations working to protect or increase knowledge of the environment in all its forms.

**31 May, 15 June and 1 July**

### **Paths of biodiversity**

ArcelorMittal would like to share their interesting natural heritage with as many people as possible. In order to do so, a tour called "Paths of biodiversity" has been set up at their Dunkerque and Mardyck steel production sites. These contribute to the creation of an ecological corridor in the region. Within the context of the year of biodiversity, ArcelorMittal have decided to show off this ecological gem to the inhabitants of Dunkerque. This is a genuine issue for sites whose business activities rely on removing resources from nature such as ore or energy.

The tour will start from the main offices at the Dunkerque site, on rue du Comte Jean in Grande-Synthe. Explanatory signs and viewing points concerning subjects such as **wetlands, flowering fallow land, bees, ornithological reserves, and protected areas of fauna and flora** will be featured along the itinerary.





## Services

### Conference Secretariat

The conference secretariat is located in the main entrance hall, close to the registration area, and offers the following services:

- Payment of the conference fee\*
- Attendance certificate

\*Please note that on 18-19 May, fee payments and reimbursements will be handled at a specific desk located in the registration area.

**Conference Secretariat:** +33 (0)3 28 65 88 57

**Mobile phone:** +49 (0)1718347807

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### Information Point

The general information point is located at the entrance of the Agora hall.

The staff of the information point can assist you with all questions relative to:

- Accommodation
- Study visits
- Shuttle services
- Restaurant info
- General tourist information

**Phone:** +33 (0)3 28 65 88 52

### Internet access

Wireless internet access is available in all rooms of the conference venue. A login and password is given upon registration.

### Business centre

15 computers are available free of charge in the business center located in the Agora hall. It is also possible to print and make photocopies for additional charges.

### Conference languages

English and French are the main conference languages and interpretation services are available in all sessions. Interpretation in Spanish, German and Italian are available in all plenary and sub-plenary sessions and in at least one of the parallel sessions.



## A green event



Hosting the 6th European Sustainable Cities and Towns Conference was for us, the Metropolitan Urban Council of Dunkerque, the occasion to strengthen our sustainable development initiatives throughout our community, and to create, in cooperation with ICLEI (the organizers of the conference), a green and responsible event.

The negative impacts on the environment will be minimized, namely thanks to limiting the water and energy consumption at the conference venue, the Kursaal. Inaugurated in 1983, the Kursaal has been engaged, since 2005, in efforts to meet sustainable development standards. These include low consumption equipment, retrieval of rainwater, etc.

We have also made efforts to strengthen our sustainable procurement policies. All conference meals will be prepared using seasonal, certified-organic, fair trade, and/or regional products. Materials used for communication and signage are environmentally-friendly: canvasses made from regionally-produced plant fibres, cardboard furniture, local plants that will later be replanted by a start-up firm from the Lille region.

The organization of the 6th European Sustainable Cities and Towns Conference was conceived in such a way as to integrate the conference into the Greater Metropolitan Area and its community, and in this way promote collaboration and exchange with the Dunkerque citizens and leave a positive legacy in the community that hosts the event.

Between September 2009 and December 2010, thanks to the Dunkerque 2010 Crossroads of Sustainable Development, numerous events have and will continue to be offered to the people of Dunkerque to allow them to incorporate sustainable development into their lives. These opportunities have included a variety of exhibits on climate refugees, eco-districts, conferences, nature visits, film screenings and debates, and a rally for sustainable development. In addition, a series of debate workshops were an opportunity for citizens, local actors and institutions to collaborate to produce a local position on each of the parallel session themes.

In a more practical sense, the people of the region have become involved in the preparations for the conference. For example, citizens planted micro-gardens, decorating the port where the cruise-ship (where some of the participants will be hosted) will be docked. The horticultural school Leffrinckoucke put efforts towards beautifying the courtyard of the train station, allowing its students to put to use their new skills and ensuring a better welcome to the participants.

Finally, with your carbon-offset contribution, we have chosen to compensate the carbon footprint of the conference. The amount collected will be put towards a fund which will finance micro-projects related to Agenda 21.



## Gastronomie

The host is pleased to provide local and seasonal products with organic and fair trade labels in all meals and cocktails during the conference. Provider will ensure to offer vegetarian and vegan options and answer to other special diet requirements.

**Please note that access to all meals and cocktail is granted upon presentation of the conference badge.**

### ● Lunches during the conference days

A lunch buffet will be provided in the Kursaal on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday. It will be continuously replenished in order to allow conference participants to attend Agora presentations and eat at a later moment.

### ● Welcome cocktail on Tuesday 18 May

All participants are invited to a welcome cocktail taking place in the Dunkerque city hall at 18.00



### ● Evening reception and dinner on 19 Wednesday

At 19.00 a reception with Méthode Champenoise will take place in the Kursaal and will be followed by a dinner for all the participants.

### ● Dinner in Dunkerque

On the evening of Thursday 20 May, the host city is pleased to invite all participants to enjoy the evening in a restaurant of their choice. Meal tickets (22€ value) will be distributed together with a selection of restaurants that will host activities on different themes.

## ➡ Transport during the conference

All recommended hotels are located between 200m and 15 km from the conference venue. Please refer to the map of Dunkerque (p.23) indicating the location of the Kursaal. Shuttle services are provided between the Kursaal and most conference hotels. For the few hotels located in the immediate surroundings of the Kursaal, there are no shuttle services, but bikes are available.

### ● Shuttle services

During the conference days, shuttle bus services run between the train stations of Dunkerque and Adinkerke and the Kursaal. These services are available from 8.00 to 21.00, passing approximately every 15 minutes.

Every morning, a shuttle is waiting in front of each hotel between 8.00 and 8:30 to drive participants to the Kursaal. All hotels are served except the few hotels located less than 500m away from the Kursaal. More information regarding these shuttle services is available at the reception desk of your hotel. Shuttle services are also available to bring you back to your hotel at the end of each conference day.

- **Tuesday 18 May:** Shuttles will be available in front of the City Hall to take you back to your hotel.
- **Wednesday 19 May:** Shuttles will be available to return to your hotel, before and after the concert.
- **Thursday 20 May:** Shuttles will be available to take you to the restaurant of your choice and will take you back to your hotel from 3 pre-defined points.
- **Friday 21 May:** Shuttles will be available from the venue to the train station between 13:30 and 18:00.

### ● Public transportation

DK'BUS Marine is the urban bus network that runs in Dunkerque. To reach the conference venue you can take Line 3 (bus stop CASINO) or Line 9 (bus stop TURENNE). For more information about the routes and the frequencies,

**please visit: [www.dkbus.com](http://www.dkbus.com).**

**These buses are tagged with the logo of the conference for you to recognize them.**

## Practical info

### ● Taxi

Recommended taxi services for your transport around Dunkerque:

Cotaxi : 03 28 66 73 00

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### ● Bicycles

Bicycles are available for free on the square in front of the Kursaal.

### ● Telephone code

Country code of France: +33

Regional code for Northeast France: 03 (Dial the first 0 only when calling within France)

### ● Shopping, post office and banking hours

**Post offices hours:**

8 :30 – 18 :30 (Monday to Friday)

8 :30 – 18 :30 (Saturday)

**Bank hours:**

8 :30 - 17 :30 (Monday to Friday)

9:00 - 12:00 (Saturday)

**Store hours:**

10:00-19:00 (Monday to Saturday)

### ● ATM:

You can take out cash and exchange currency in the Casino, located in front of the Kursaal.

### ● Emergency Services

**From France (for French speakers):**

Medical Assistance (SAMU): 15

Police: 17

Fire / Accident: 18

**From all phone lines in Europe:**

European Emergency Number: 112

On-call pharmacy: +33 (0)3 28 66 03 75

## Sponsors info

In Dunkerque like in other cities, dealing with Sustainable development does not concern only local authorities and governments. Partnerships must be created and fostered, and responsibility and awareness-raising must be shared among institutions, businesses, associations, and citizens. In Dunkerque, this fact has been taken into consideration since many years, and many important ventures were undertaken as a result. Very rapidly, the public-private relationship showed signs of a promising partnership. The pooling of experiences of ones and the desire to experiment of others, ultimately lead towards the notion of industrial development or ecopole.

Important links have now been established between the economic and industrial sector and local government institutions, and the Dunkerque is at the forefront of this synergy. The Metropolitan Urban council cooperates with a number of businesses in key sectors. The exemplary success of these partnerships is manifested by the presence of many of our economic and financing partners at the 6th European Sustainable Cities and Towns Conference.

Each of these partners support the initiatives of the Metropolitan Urban Council in its political will to address local challenges, which often due to the technical complexity of urban issues and the huge financial investments necessary to implement projects, could not be tackled alone by local authorities.

**As an example, the following three industrial groups and the Caisse des Depots et Consignations have a history of collaboration with the Metropolitan Urban Council of Dunkerque:**



### Reflexenergie with EDF (Electricité de France)

A partnership where Electricité de France, the world's largest utility company, contributes financially to the project Réflexénergie, with the aim to improve energy efficiency performance of Dunkerque urban housing. Through this initiative, EDF commits itself to mobilising its local network of professionals to promote insulation work in buildings and the "Blue ciel" label.



### The Sustainable City of Tomorrow with GDF SUEZ (Gas de France)

Through this partnership, the Suez Lyonnaise des Eaux, one of the world's leading multi-utility groups, established a methanisation unit, an experiment on new GNV/Hydrogen fuels and its consumption, and established experimental workshops on information and communication technologies.



### The "Grand Large" Neighborhood with Veolia

Veolia, French multinational firm, cooperated on a district heating system, the dkbus marine network, and a study on the second phase of the "Grand Large" neighborhood (Dunkerque's new seaside eco-district), assisting with the establishment of a frame of reference on local sustainable development issues.



### Public Policy with the Caisse des Depots

The financing and follow-up of all local public policies, namely concerning urban development, has been strongly supported by the Caisse des dépôts et consignations, a leading French financial organization.

**With the support of many other partners including:**

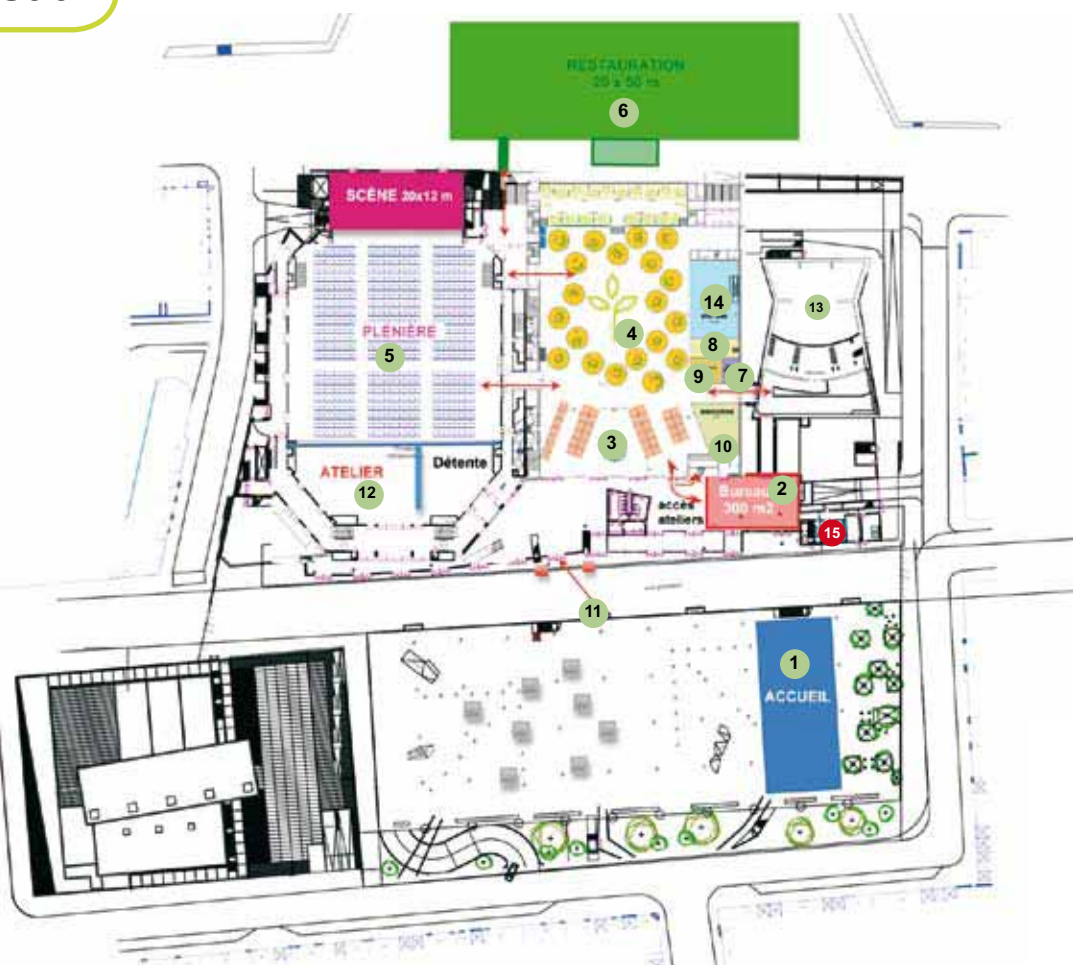


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# Map of the Kursaal

## Ground Floor

- 1 Registration area
- 2 Conference secretariat
- 3 Info point
- 4 Agora
- 5 Plenary Hall
- 6 Catering area
- 7 Business centre
- 8 Press room
- 9 TV studio
- 10 Innovation corner
- 11 Smoking area
- 12 Room *Citadelle*
- 13 Room *Jean Bart*
- 14 Room *Océane*
- 15 Stairs to session rooms



## First floor

- 15 Stairs to session rooms
- 20 VIP area
- Rooms**
- 21 *Casino*
- 22 *Alcyon*
- 23 *Alexandre*
- 24 *Estacade*
- 25 *La Vigie*
- 26 *Poseïdon*
- 27 *Neptune*
- 28 *Digue*

## ADDRESS

**Kursaal**  
Place du Casino - BP 87 - 59942 Dunkerque Cedex 2

**Hôtel de Ville**  
Place Charles Valentin - BP 6537 - 59386 Dunkerque Cedex 1

**Communauté urbaine de Dunkerque**  
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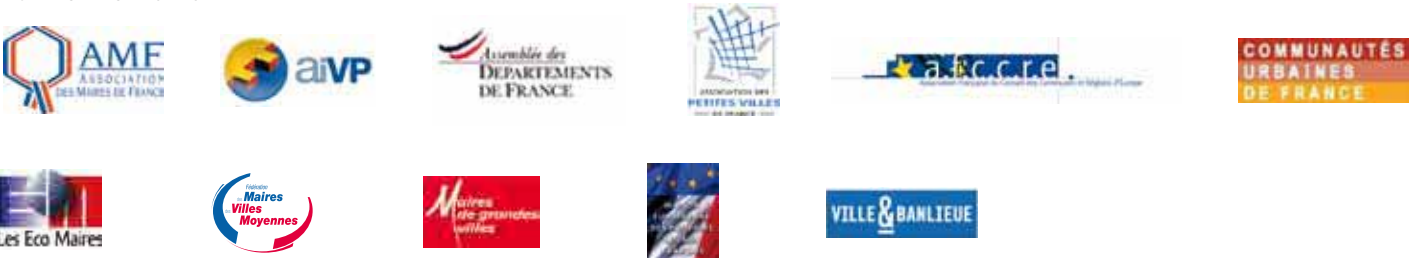
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