



UCLG COMMITTEES AND WORKING GROUPS

COMMITTEE ON DIGITAL AND KNOWLEDGE-BASED CITIES

Committee working meeting -European Section-

31st of May 2013 in Bordeaux (France)

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Dear colleagues and Committee members:

During the last committee meeting held on December the 5th in Dakar (Senegal) in which more than 30 committee members took part, it was officially presented the "[Smart Cities Study: International study on the situation of ICT, innovation and Knowledge in cities](#)" developed in 2012 by the Committee.

With the objective to continue with the work initiated with the development of the Study, from the Presidency of the Committee in collaboration with the City of Bordeaux, that holds the Vice-presidency of the Committee of Europe, we have considered timely to organize a working meeting European section of the Committee, as well as with other European cities that are also working in the issues analyzed in the Study.

The meeting will be held on **May 31st in the City of Bordeaux**

The meeting will be focused on issues related with the creation, attraction and retention of talent, the importance of boosting new emerging sectors of activity – specially the ones related to the new technologies, innovation and research-, the promotion and development of innovation at local level, the importance of creating and enable infrastructures and spaces for the business development and creativity in order to give support to the entrepreneurship, among others issues.

Our intention is to keep this as an **operative meeting** that will allow us to exchange opinions and visions around these issues, as well as to get to know better the main initiatives carried out by the cities, in order to be able to identify synergies and projects of collaboration.

The cities interested in taking part in the meeting can contact directly the Secretariat of the Committee bilbaonext.promocion@ayto.bilbao.net

We hope this information is of your interest.

With our best wishes,

The UCLG World Secretariat

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

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- [Preliminary Agenda](#)
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