

## Circular 40

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Committee of Digital and Knowledge-based  
Cities

### **8th European Conference on Sustainable Cities & Towns** 27–29 April 2016, Bilbao, Basque Country

Dear members,

We are pleased to inform you that **the 8th European Conference on Sustainable Cities & Towns will be held in Bilbao, Basque Country, from 27<sup>th</sup> to 29<sup>th</sup> April 2016.**

The **8th European Conference on Sustainable Cities & Towns** will take place at a crucial time, following the **UN Summit for the Adoption of the Post-2015 Development Agenda** and the **Climate Conference of the Parties (COP 21) in Paris** in which local authorities played a key role, with over a hundred mayors from around the world signing the [Paris City Hall Declaration](#) during the Climate Summit for Local Leaders held in Paris on 4<sup>th</sup> January, demonstrating how valuable the exchange of experiences and desires is.

The Conference will also help to provide responses to global challenges, since local and regional governments also face environmental, financial and societal issues in Europe. The 8th European Conference on Sustainable Cities & Towns will reflect the urgency of these challenges and present a way to address them through transformative action.

The three-day programme will consist of plenaries, a Mayors' Session, breakout sessions, panels, networking opportunities and mobile workshops in the Basque Country.

The outcome of the Conference will be a Declaration that will reflect current challenges and the crucial need to take action at the local level.

If you are interested in taking part in the Conference, you can find all the information on the event and register via the following link: [www.basquecountry2016.eu](http://www.basquecountry2016.eu)

Should you require any further information, please do not hesitate to contact the Committee Secretariat: [info@uclg-digitalcities.org](mailto:info@uclg-digitalcities.org)

Sincerely,

**The UCLG World Secretariat**  
on behalf of the Committee of Digital and Knowledge-Based Cities

Please click on the links below to access the following documents:

- [Informative dossier of the Conference](#)
- [Paris City Hall Declaration](#)

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