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2nd FAL-P (GETAFE 2010) under preparation

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Dear members,

In the framework of the preparation of their 2nd world congress, in June 2010, in Getafe (Spain), the exchanges between peripheral local authorities are accelerating. Several meetings already took place in Ecatepec (Mexico), Bondy (France), others are planned in the metropolis of Barcelona (Spain), Getafe (Spain), Canoas (Brazil), Matola (Mozambique)...

Peripheral cities attending the Forum of Local Authorities in Belem (Belem), in January 2009, marked the debates. They confirmed the ambition of the 2nd Forum of Peripheral Local authorities (FAL-P) to prepare and collectively adopt a "Declaration for interdependent Metropolises" deriving from their visions and their experiences. This ambition is particularly important in this moment when the crisis causes important sufferings in the peripheral cities and some of them refuse to be the "variable of adjustments"

The global call (elaborated by the committee's secretariat) to jointly prepare the 2nd FAL-P is currently circulating within the network of peripheral local authorities. We invite all those interested to join. The list with the first signs will be published at the end of May 2009 during a meeting in Getafe.

UCLG Committees, local authorities' networks, capital local authorities are welcome to participate in the preparation of the 2nd FAL-P.

The Website <http://falp.getafe.es> is currently under construction but already online. Together with several decentralized meetings, the page will be an interactive and participative tool for a joint elaboration of the congress' program and of the Declaration contents which will be presented within the 3rd UCLG congress at the end of 2010 in Mexico City.

Many topics will be discussed (social inclusion, right to centrality, mobility, public service, culture...), in order to put at the heart of debates the urgencies and experiences of peripheral cities, so that metropolitan territories could link with solidarity, sustainable development and democracy.

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Sincerely Yours,

The UCLG World Secretariat,
on behalf of the Committee 'Peripheral cities'

Please find attached the following documents:

- ▶ FAL-P 2010: in Getafe, the preparation accelerates
- ▶ Report on Belem meeting
- ▶ Getafe Announcement