

14:30 Workshop 3:
"International Technical and Financial Assistance for Local Governments"

Moderator: Béchir ODEIMI, UCLG Representative (Lebanon, Syria, Jordan)

Financial Assistance

Mr Farriz ADAD-ZERVOS, World Bank - **10 min**

A representative of the European Investment Bank - **10 min**

Technical Assistance

Dr. Ali AMADIBO, Arab Urban Development Institute - **10 min**

Mr Thierry WINTER, Geological and Mining Research Bureau - **10 min**

Mrs Ghislaine VERRHIEST, Expert, Centre d'Etudes Techniques de l'Équipement, France - **10 min**

Local Government Network Support

Mr Joaquim CUXART, City of Barcelona - **10 min**

Mr Joan PARPAL, MEDCITES - **10 min**

16:30 Coffee Break

17h00 Conference Conclusions

Mr Robert MAURER and Mr Gilles PIPIEN, World Bank

17:30 Presentation of Upcoming Events and Environment Theme

20:30 Dinner

➔ **Monday 4 July 2005**

09:00 Departure for Technical Visit at the City of Great Madaba

13:30 closing lunch at the Dead Sea

Europe-MENA Urban Network The Cities Meeting

PREVENTING MAJOR URBAN RISKS: THE RESPONSIBILITIES OF MAYORS AND LOCAL AUTHORITIES



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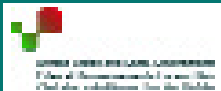
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Saturday 2 July 2005

8:30 Welcome

9:00 Opening Session

Moderator: Mr. Béchir ODEIMI

Mr Gilles PIPIEN, Expert in Urban Management, World Bank, Marseilles, France
Mr Faris ADAD-ZERVOS, Head of mission World Bank Irak office in Amman
Mrs Martine VASSAL, Deputy Mayor, City of Marseilles, France
Mr Abdul Meneem ARISS, Member of UNACLA
Mr Khalil AL-HAJAL, General Director of Local Administrations and Councils, Representative of the Minister of Interior & Municipalities, Lebanon
Mr Tawfiq KRICHAN, Minister of Municipal Affairs, Jordan

10:30 Coffee Break

11:00 "City Strategy" Conference (Damas, January 2005): Review and Continuation

Mr Béchir ODEIMI, CGLU Representative (Lebanon, Syria, Jordan) - 15 min
Mr JAMALI, Mayor of Tripoli and **Mr Joan PAPPAL**, MEDCITES - 15 min

11:30 Historical Overview of Major Natural Crises in the Mediterranean

Mr Daniel DROCOURT, Director of the Patrimony Department, City of Marseilles, France - 15 min

11:45 Challenges and Methodology for Preventing Major Urban Risks :

Designing a Prevention Policy
What are the main stages in risk prevention policy? How can the risks be avoided?
How can be prepared for? In what areas should the mayor take action?
Mr Bernard GUEZO, Ministry of Equipment, France. - 20 min
Mr Murat BALAMIR, Professor, Middle East Technical University, Ankara, Turkey - 20 min

12:30 Lunch

14:30 Workshop 1: "Crisis Prevention":

Moderator: Dominique Laplace, Engineering Director, SERAM, Marseilles, France

Issues and Difficulties for Municipal Risk Prevention Policy

How can local governments protect themselves from the crises resulting from natural or technological disasters? What issues do such governments face?
Presentation by a representative of a Syrian city - 20 min

Unexpected Event Characterisation and Mitigation:

How can a city contribute to identify and to chart unexpected events? What are the methods used and the difficulties encountered?
How can local governments reduce the impact of an unexpected event on the population and infrastructures?
Mr Sergio FARRUGGIA, Director of Local Information Systems, City of Genoa, Italy - 20 min
Mr George GEORGIADIS, City of Larnaka, Cyprus - 20 min

Presentation of a Case Study on a City in the Region

M. Raffi KOK OGHLANIAN, Deputy Mayor, City of Bourj Hammoud, Lebanon
Mrs Ghislaine VERRHIEST, Expert, Centre d'Etudes Techniques de l'Equipement, France - 30 min

16:30 Coffee Break

Land Occupation Rights:

How does prevention policy modify urban planning and how land occupation rights as held by local authorities?
Mr Omar CHABZOUGH, Director of Urban Plan, Ministry of Municipal Affairs, Jordan - 20 min

Reducing Vulnerability:

What measures can local governments use to lessen their sites' vulnerability to an unexpected event? What consequences do such measures have on the populations?
Dr Murat BALAMIR, Professor, Middle East Technical University, Ankara, Turkey - 20 min

20h30 Dinner



Sunday 3 July 2005

09:00 Workshop 2: "Crisis Preparation"

Moderator: Robert MAURER, World Bank

Despite the various forms of prevention, zero risk does not exist.

How can local authorities prepare for the onset of a crisis?
How should they handle post-crisis situations?

Management of major crisis:

The example of Marseilles
Mr Dominique LAPLACE, Engineering Director, SERAM, Marseilles, France - 20 min
The example of Livorno
Mr Gianni DELLA ROCCA, Natural Prevention Institute, Livourno, Italy - 20 min

Informing the Populations

How should the local authorities involve the populations in preparing for a crisis?
How should they inform them and raise awareness?
Mr Jean-Pierre SAEZ, Deputy president, Pays d'Aix Agglomeration Community, France - 20 min

Protection Plan and Action Coordination

How can the local authorities foster effective action on the part of emergency rescue services in response to a crisis? What plans should be set up for victims?
How should the actions of the various contributing players (State, civil security, volunteers, etc.) be coordinated at the municipal level?
Dr Mazziar HOSSEINI, Director, Tehran Disaster Mitigation and Management Organization, Iran - 20 min

10:30 Coffee Break

Crisis: The Stakes for Man and the Economy

What action can a local government take to foster the return to a safe situation?
How should post-crisis times be managed, in particular as regards rebuilding?
Presentation by a representative of a Syrian city - 20 min

How can the economic costs of a major crisis be evaluated? How can cities protect themselves from the onset of a crisis?
Mr Roland NUSSBAUM, Natural Risk and Insurance Task Force, France - 20 min

12:30 Lunch