



Local Sustainability 2012 **Learning from two decades of local action**

Sala B, Rio State Pavillion, Athletes Park

20 June 2012, 14:00 – 14:30

Rationale

The aim of the Local Sustainability 2012 study is to document the variety of local processes for sustainability that have emerged globally since the 1992 Earth Summit. Local initiatives, many of them inspired by Local Agenda 21, have made a lasting mark not only on local but also on national and international governance systems, changing profoundly the way we think about sustainable development and pushing the boundaries of what is achievable.

Looking into the future, the study proposes a list of recommendations to leaders at the national, international and local level. The recommendations underpin ICLEI's advocacy activities as Rio+20 Local Authority Major Group co-organising partner and will further inform ICLEI's work globally.

The Local Sustainability 2012 study consists of two complementary reports:

- Taking Stock and Moving Forward. Global Review
- Showcasing Progress. Case Studies

The study presents the "story" of local sustainability, as told by people who were personally involved in implementing and supporting cities in their sustainability efforts throughout the last 20 years, and has been produced by ICLEI, in association with the Charles Leopold Mayer Foundation and UN-Habitat.

The session will be moderated by co-authors of the study:

- Ania Rok, Project Officer Urban Governance and Sustainability Management, ICLEI European Secretariat
- Stefan Kuhn, Director Urban Governance, ICLEI European Secretariat

Speakers

- Rafael Tuts, Coordinator, Urban Planning and Design Branch, UN-Habitat
- Julien Woessner, Responsible of the urban programmes, Charles Léopold Mayer Foundation for the Progress of Humankind
- Ronan Dantec, French Senator; Councillor, Nantes Métropole, France

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