

Partnership for Urban Innovation

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A world of metropolises

| | Urban population | Metropolis population | Number metropolis | Number in LDC |
|------|------------------|-----------------------|-------------------|---------------|
| 1975 | 1519 | 487 | 181 | 102 |
| 2007 | 3294 | 1260 | 410 | 310 |
| 2025 | 4584 | 1842 | 699 | 589 |

- More than 50% of world population live in cities
- 1.300 million in 410 metropolises +1M inhabitants.
- 19 metropolises +10 M inhabitants.
- Between 2007 and 2050, population living in urban areas is projected to gain 3.1 billion

Metropolis Action Plan 2009-2011

- **Mission:**

“To assist metropolises in mutual learning, innovation, governance, financial and technical assistance, international representation and encouraging debate”

Objectives (2009-2011)

- **To enhance mutual learning, training and capacity building**
- **Accelerate innovative practices to find solutions to metropolitan problems**
- **Fostering metropolitan governance to reduce metropolitan gaps**
- **Fostering financial and technical assistance to metropolitan areas of developing countries**
- **Representing and giving political visibility to metropolitan interests at national and international level**
- **Encouraging debate on the evolution and trends in metropolises and metropolitan policies**

Four key issues

- To define a new urbanism in order to meet the challenge of population growth and expanding of metropolises
- To improve metropolitan environmental sustainability and to prepare for the consequences of climate change
- To foster social integration, local economic development and cultural diversity in metropolises to enhance the quality of life of metropolitan citizens
- To improve mobility within metropolises making use of new technologies

Metropolis actions 2009-2011



Partnership for urban innovation

- 15 -16 June 2009, Barcelona hosted the Launch Meeting of the Partnership for Urban Innovation (PUI), a standing commission approved by Metropolis in the 2009-2011 action plan.
- Metropolis gave the commission a mandate to:
 - o Fostering innovation in cities
 - o Scaling up and replicating innovative solutions worldwide.

Partnership for urban innovation

- Innovation in cities is local and global at the same time.
- Has to be accepted and adapted to the needs of each and every city and citizen.
- But it is developed globally and needs a coalition of inputs and resources which can only be organized on a global
- Local and global stakeholders should work together in our commission.
- The commission aims to foster innovation in cities and local governments in close partnership with the private sector and other interested institutions.

1. Fostering innovation in cities

- The results were grouped by main issues, leading to four opportunities of Partnerships for Urban Innovation:
 - **1. Municipal Management of Services**
 - **2. Environment, Mobility and Energy**
 - **3. Collaborative Citizens**
 - **4. Social Services**

2. Scaling up and replicating innovative solutions worldwide.

- Demonstration projects
- Case analyses
- Training
- Exchanging projects and experiences
- Awards
- Surveys
- Leadership network

CISCO-Metropolis Partnership

