

Third Seminar of PLATFORMA

The role of local/regional authorities in development cooperation Assessing our effectiveness

Lyon – 5 October 2009
City hall

PROGRAMME

9.15-9.30 **Registration of participants**

9.30-9.40 **Welcome – by City of Lyon**

Hubert JULIEN-LAFERRIERE, Vice-President of Greater Lyon, Member of the City Council, responsible for International Cooperation and Solidarity, France

9.40-9.50 **Introduction to the seminar: context and objectives**

Jeremy SMITH, Secretary General of the Council of European Municipalities and Regions (CEMR)

10.00-10.50 **The contribution of decentralised cooperation to development policies: perspectives of elected representatives**

The experience of Rhône Alpes, Lyon and its partners

Points for discussion:

- 1. The impact of decentralised cooperation on the development of South/South synergies*
- 2. The collaboration between actors and donors in developing decentralised cooperation projects*
- 3. Assessing the cooperation between Lyon and Porto-Novo : what expected outputs from the evaluation?*

Moderator: Christophe MESTRE, International Centre of Studies for Local Development (CIEDEL), France

- Hubert JULIEN-LAFERRIERE, Vice-President of Greater Lyon
- Jean-Philippe BAYON, Vice-president of Rhône-Alpes region responsible for Decentralised Cooperation and International Solidarity, France
- Adama SANGARE, Mayor of the District of Bamako, Mali
- Moukaram OCENI, Mayor of Porto-Novo, Benin

10.40-11.00 Coffee break

11.00-12.30 First round table: How do we analyse and increase the effectiveness of decentralised cooperation?

Points for discussion:

1. *What evolution of cooperation models?*
2. *To what extent should a city-to-city cooperation be integrated into a larger scale?*
3. *What degree of coordination of decentralised cooperation should be promoted?*
4. *Priorities and objectives – but who decides?*
5. *What tools and what methodologies could ensure wider knowledge of existing partnerships and increase effectiveness?*

Moderator: Elisabeth GATEAU, Secretary General of United Cities and Local Governments (UCLG)

- Olivier LUYCKX, Head of Unit, DG Development, European Commission
- Jean-Pierre ELONG MBASSI, UCLG Africa
- Livison MUTEKEDE, Programme manager, Urban Councils Association of Zimbabwe, and Rosalie CALLWAY, International Policy Officer, Local Government Association, United Kingdom
- Marie-Ange ORIHUELA, Director responsible for EU external relations, Conference of Peripheral Maritime Regions (CRPM)

12.30-14.00 Lunch

14.00-15.15 Second round table: How do we contribute to measuring the results of decentralised cooperation?

Points for discussion:

1. *What analysis of outputs and outcomes?*
2. *How should quantity and quality be measured together? What methodology? Who should review it?*
3. *What use is made of evaluations?*

Moderator: Peter KNIP, Director of VNG International, Netherlands, President of the Capacity and Institutional Building working group, UCLG

- Marc RIMEZ, Director of the Observatory for Decentralised Cooperation between the European Union and Latin America, Diputacio of Barcelona, Spain
- Petra STREMLAT-PLATTE, Programme manager, GTZ, Germany
- Mamadou SEMBENE, Director of the House of Decentralised Cooperation in Ouagadougou, Burkina Faso
- Gustavo PAULSEN, Programme manager, URB-AL project, Valparaiso, Chile

15.15-15.30 Coffee break

15.30-16.45 Third round table: Actors – Donors: Assessing together projects of decentralised cooperation

Feedback from local/regional authorities which are leading projects co-financed by European programmes, in particular the Non State Actors and Local Authorities programme.
Feedback from donors associated to local/regional authorities in their decentralised cooperation: the European Commission and Member States.

Moderator: Marc LEVY, Senior Advisor, Institutional and Capacity Building, European Centre for Development Policy Management (ECDPM)

- Maurizio BARADELLO, Director of the Department for International Cooperation and Peace, City of Turin, Italy
- Denis POURCHET, Administrator, EuropeAid, European Commission
- Olivier CONSOLO, Director, CONCORD
- Pierre SCHAPIRA, Deputy Mayor of Paris, France

16.45-17.15 Conclusions and future perspectives by external observers

Marc LEVY and Jean-Pierre ELONG MBASSI

19.00 Reception hosted by the City of Lyon

