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**Ciudades Educadoras**

# Report on Activities

## 2018





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## Scope

By means of this annual report we present the overall work of the Secretariat, the Executive Committee, and the various networks and delegations of the Association in 2018.

With this internal and external instrument of communication, we aim to present the progress made, while at the same time to encourage new cities to join forces in such an important task as is the improvement of the quality of life in the cities through education.

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## Prologue

As Mayor of Barcelona, it is an honour for me to preside this prestigious association which works on orienting and making known the work being carried out by local leaders and municipal teams from all over the world that are committed towards education as a tool of personal and social growth and transformation.

2018 has come to a close, a year of alliances and institutional strengthening so as to contribute to the 2030 Agenda and the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), both from the member cities, as well as from within the network. This agenda highlights the importance of education not only by establishing it as a goal in itself (SDG 4), but also as a necessary instrument for achieving other goals with regard to health, gender equality, or sustainable consumption, amongst others.

In this year's annual report, you will find the lines of action for the next period (2019-2022), lines that we have revised and updated in the light of new challenges, so as to continue strengthening and influencing the municipal management. It is an ambitious agenda, but together we believe that we can achieve the goals that we propose.

Of the multiple activities carried out during 2018, I would like to highlight the holding of the 15th International Congress of Educating Cities. An

event that brought together 864 representatives from 18 cities from 24 countries and 4 continents. With the theme "The City belongs to its citizens", it signified an opportunity to dialogue and to take an in-depth look at how to improve our cities through education. It counted, for the first time, on a representation of youths from member cities who reflected on the future of their cities. I would like to pass on my congratulations to the city of Cascais for creating spaces of sharing and reflecting on new ideas, experiences and proposals.

I would also like to highlight two recently created events. We have held the second edition of the Educating Cities Award which recognizes initiatives which include citizen participation as an educational and vertebral element of local policies. And for the third year in a row, on 30<sup>th</sup> November, the International Day of the Educating City was held. Activities, workshops, talks, and concerts, were organized in cities of the network to raise awareness of the importance of education as a driver of social change.

We continue adding challenges. We would like to reach new cities and disseminate urban solutions that can be transferable. Our wish is to share the knowledge achieved and the learning acquired with more cities. This work of extension and consolidation should be accompanied by substantive advances to the right to education in the city. A challenge that, without a doubt, places us as an association in a key position for the deployment of the Sustainable Development Goals. To do so, we have worked with other organizations with similar goals such as

UNESCO or the United Nations, driven by the conviction of the importance and the need to weave relationships and join efforts.

We are very grateful for the work carried out by all the people who form part of this exciting project. I would also like to express my gratitude, for the support received, to those cities of the Executive Committee that have finished their term this year. Finally, I would like to thank the team of the Secretariat and the coordinating cities of the different networks for their dedication and commitment, without which it would not have been possible to fulfil the mission of the Association.

I very much hope that the reading of these pages will transmit you energy so as to continue working on policies and actions that contribute to social cohesion, the recognition of diversity, the reduction of inequalities, as well as initiatives of prevention and citizen awareness-raising that help us to create better cities.

**Ms. Ada Colau**

Mayor of Barcelona  
and IAEC President

# Who we are?

Founded in 1994, the International Association of Educating Cities (IAEC) is a non-profit organisation, constituted as a permanent structure of collaboration among the local governments committed towards the Charter of Educating Cities, which is the roadmap for the cities that make up the association. Any local government who makes this commitment can become active member of the Association, irrespective of its administrative competences in education.

## Goals

- To promote the fulfilment of the principles of the Charter of Educating Cities.
- To highlight the role of the local governments as educating agents and to foster their recognition as key actors for tackling the challenges of the 21st century.
- To strengthen the institutional capacities and to improve the governance in the member cities.
- To take the voice of the local governments in international and national organisations regarding issues of interest for the members cities.
- To make the Charter and the Association known to new cities.

## Strategic Action Plan 2019-22

The major strategic goals for the period 2019-2022 are:

- To increase the political impact of the IAEC.
- To improve the capacities of the local governments.
- To promote the reflection around the concept of the Educating City and to develop its application in various fields.
- To consolidate the IAEC as a global network and to improve its governance.



# Organisation

## General Assembly



## Executive Committee

### Barcelona



*Presidency*  
Mayor Ms. Ada Colau

### Rennes



*Treasury*  
Mayor Ms. Nathalie Appérée

### Rosario



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Ms. Chiara  
Appendino



**Vitória**  
*Mayor*  
Sr. Luciano Rezende



## Secretariat



## Networks

# Networks

The IAEC promotes the creation of territorial and thematic networks. The territorial networks are decentralised structures made up of member cities from a given territory -while the thematic networks bring together cities interested in working around a specific topic.

The IAEC allocates around one third of the revenues from membership fees to provide support to the territorial networks and delegations. The cities that coordinate them and support them also contribute their effort, resources and knowledge.

The networks are represented in the Executive Committee either by their coordinating cities or by cities included in the network.

The networks foster exchanges, cooperation and common projects among their members, by means of a wide range of activities. In the territorial networks, joint strategies are carried out with the aim of establishing common positions in topics that can have an impact on local policies. Cooperation is also promoted with other networks of local governments, institutions or groups with similar interests.

27 cities hosted meetings and conferences of the different territorial networks in 2018.

The 13<sup>th</sup> Meeting of the Spanish Network was held in Lleida (1 and 2 February) under the theme “Rethinking the City”. The Assembly chose the city of Seville as its coordinator for the period 2018-2019.

In 2018, the following thematic networks of the Spanish network were operational:

- Friendly cities: manners matter groups (coordinated by Avilés)
- City of values, educating city (led by Bilbao)

- Engaging Children to achieve Sustainable Development Goals (coordinated by Lleida)
- School segregation and educating city (led by Vitoria-Gasteiz)
- The educating city and responsible tourism: heritage as an identity-related value of our cities (coordinated by Barcelona and Girona)

The cities of Argamasilla de Calatrava, Avilés, Barcelona, Bilbao, Girona, Lleida, Ordizia, Seville and Vitoria-Gasteiz hosted thematic group meetings or meetings of the steering committee.

The Portuguese Network called 3 meetings: in Santo Tirso (26 February), Loures (29 June) and Cascais (14 November). The working groups that were active in 2018 were as follows:

- Participation (coordinated by Gondomar)
- Inclusive Cities (coordinated by Almada)
- Learning through experimentation (led by Torres Vedras)
- Local Education Project (led by Loulé)

Moreover, the following cities hosted meetings of the Coordinating Committee or the working groups: Almada, Cascais, Gondomar, Lisbon, Loulé, Odemira, Santa Maria da Feira, Torres Vedras and Valongo.

The Steering Committee of the Argentinian Network met in Rosario (6 April). This network also organized a working meeting in Cosquín (26 July) and the First Regional Meeting of Cities from Southern Cordoba's province in Río Cuarto (3 August).



“ In 2018, 27 Cities hosted meetings of Territorial Networks of the IAEC”

The Mexican Network organized a meeting in Mexico City (22 January), where experiences were presented, and the city of León was voted new coordinating city. Furthermore, the steering committee held a virtual meeting in February. In 2018 municipal elections were held and there were changes in most municipalities.

For its part, the Brazilian network called the 8<sup>th</sup> Brazilian Meeting of Educating Cities (3-6 April) in Vitória under the theme: “Creating Spaces for Safe and Sustainable Social Harmony”.

The Asia-Pacific Network convened a technical meeting on 23 February in Changwon. In June municipal elections were held in Korea. The city of Changwon coordinated the participation of the cities of the AP region in the International Congress.

Of special note is the fact that the Latin American Delegation has been working closely with the territorial networks in the region to which it provides support. Furthermore, it has participated in numerous events and forums, where the work of the Association has been presented in order to spread the values of the Charter of Educating Cities across the region.

The member cities of the northern European working group as well as Asian, Spanish, Latin American and Portuguese cities, held meetings in the framework of the 15<sup>th</sup> International Congress of the IAEC (13-16 November).

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Note: throughout 2018 the coordinating city was Gothenburg

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# The Association in figures

During 2018, 32 new cities from 5 countries joined the Association, making up a total of 493 cities from 36 countries.

We are pleased to welcome the new cities who now form part of the IAEC:

**Argentina** (8): Alcira Gigena, Armstrong, Bulnes, Chañar Ladeado, Coronel Baigorria, Coronel Moldes, Las Acequias, Villa Reducción.

**Brazil** (1): Nova Petrópolis.

**Colombia** (1): Simijaca.

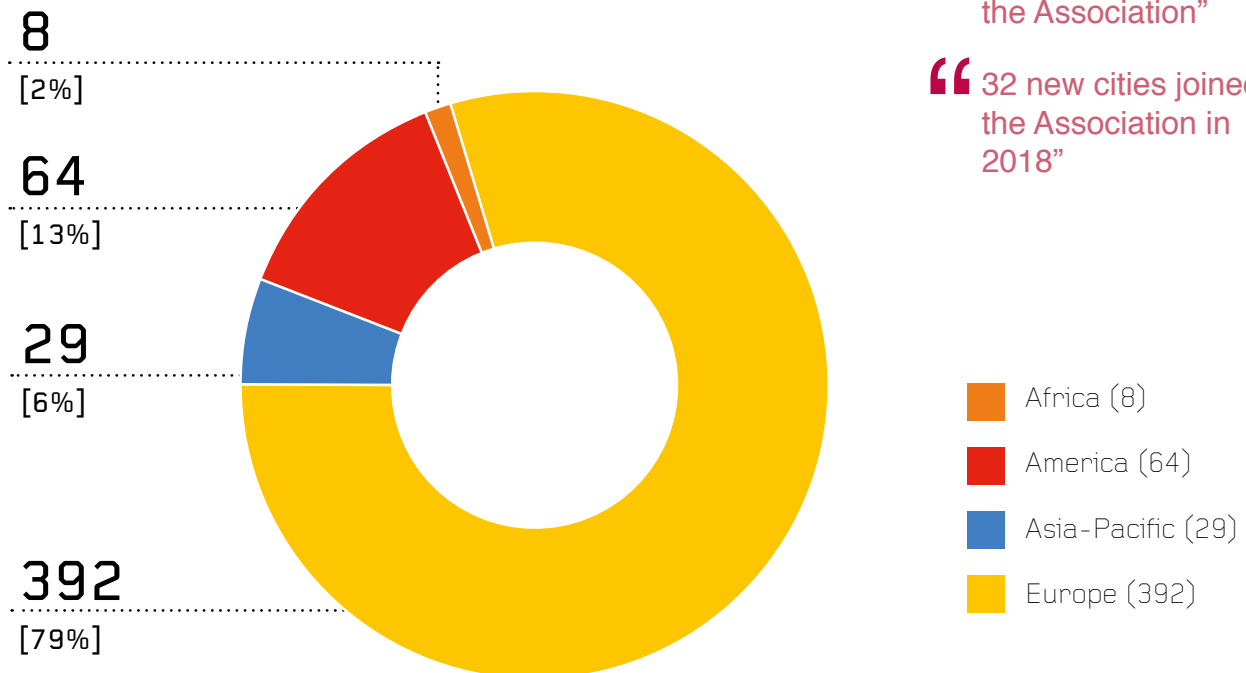
**Portugal** (7): Alcochete, Angra do Heroísmo, Benavente, Lagoa do Algarve, Oeiras, Soure, Tomar.

**Spain** (15): Alboraiia, Castell-Platja d'Aro, Dos Hermanas, El Puig de Santa María, Es Mercadal, L'Alfàs del Pi, Llíria, Medina del Campo, Paterna, Sant Hilari Sacalm, Santa Cristina d'Aro, Santander, Sitges, Vilanova i la Geltrú, Xàtiva.

Another 17 cities from 8 countries expressed their interest in joining the Association and initiated the necessary procedures. In a parallel way, during this period, 33 cities

left the Association either in a voluntary way or due to the reiterated non-compliance of the statutory obligations.

## Member cities by continent



“ 493 cities from 36 countries belong to the Association”

“ 32 new cities joined the Association in 2018”

- Africa (8)
- America (64)
- Asia-Pacific (29)
- Europe (392)

### America

Argentina (26), Brazil (15), Canada (1), Chile (1), Colombia (4), Costa Rica (1), Ecuador (2), French Overseas Departments and Territories (1), Mexico (9), Puerto Rico (1), Uruguay (2), Venezuela (1)

### Europe

Belgium (1), Croatia (1), Denmark (1), Finland (3), France (86), Germany (1), Greece (1), Italy (15), Poland (1), Portugal (74), Rumania (1), Spain (205), Sweden (1), Switzerland (1)

### Africa

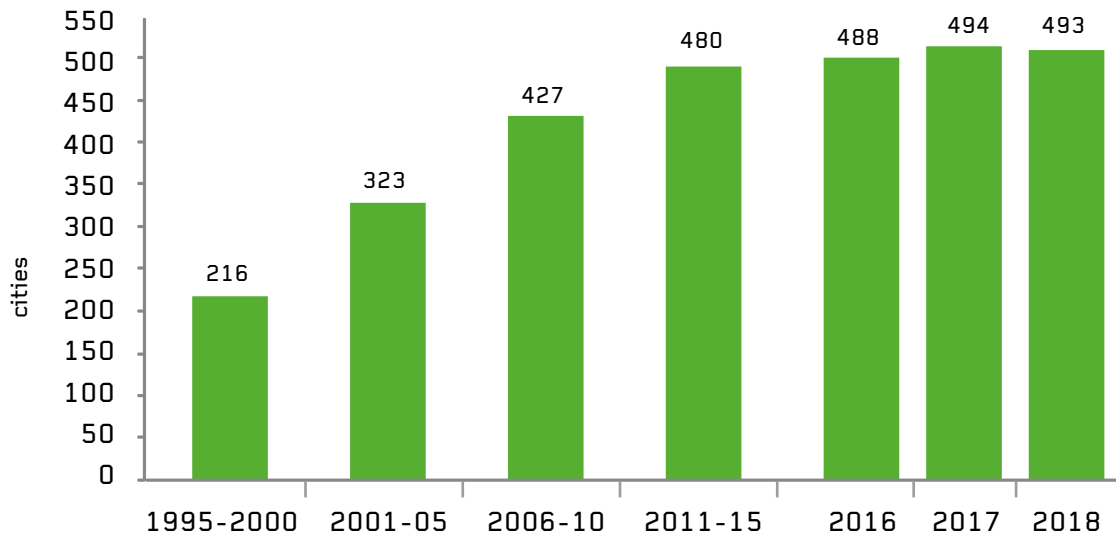
Benin (3), Cape Verde (1), Morocco (1), Senegal (1), Togo (2)

### Asia-Pacific

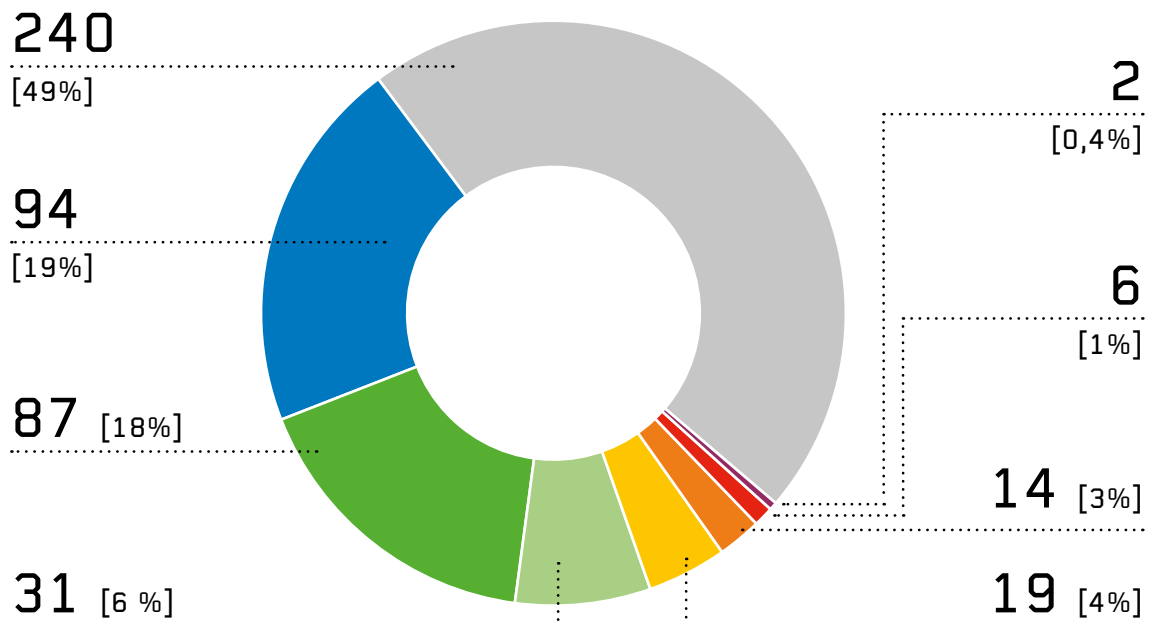
Australia (1), Nepal (1), Palestine (1), Philippines (1), Republic of Korea (24), Thailand (1)



## IAEC Member cities (1995-2018)



## Member cities classified by population



Less than 50,000 inhabitants (240)  
 50.000 > 100,000 inhabitants (94)  
 100.000 > 250,000 inhabitants (87)  
 250.000 > 500,000 inhabitants (31)

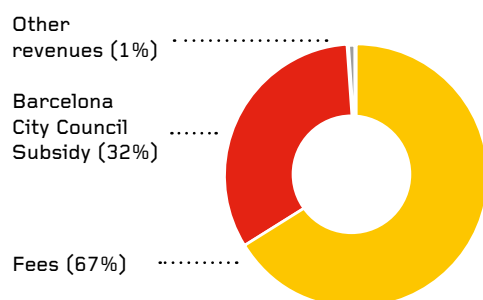
500,000 > 1,000,000 inhabitants (19)  
 1,000,000 > 2,000,000 inhabitants (14)  
 2,000,000 > 5,000,000 inhabitants (6)  
 More than 5,000,000 inhabitants (2)

## Economic Data

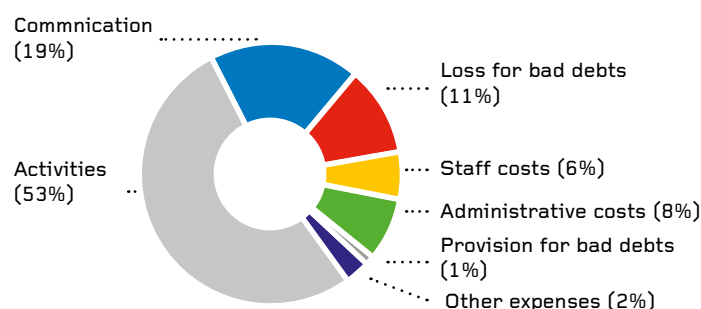
In accordance with article 32 of the IAEC Statutes in its condition as an international not-for-profit organisation, it is financed by the fees paid by its members, through subsidies and special contributions to projects by other public and

private entities, by donations, inheritances or legacies, and from the revenue from the heritage itself. In 2018, the expenditure of the Association amounted to 195.342,71 €.

### Revenues



### Expenditures



The fees are established according to the number of inhabitants of the cities and the Gross National Income per capita of the countries in which they are situated.

Number of inhabitants	Group I* Gross National Income per capita US\$0-1,000	Group II* Gross National Income per capita US\$1,001-3,000	Group III* Gross National Income per capita US\$3,001-10,000	Group IV* Gross National Income per capita of more than US\$10,001
Less than 50,000	70 €	104 €	160,50 €	220 €
From 50,000 to 100,000	100 €	156 €	214 €	330 €
From 100,000 to 250,000	250 €	338 €	481.50 €	715 €
From 250,000 to 500,000	350 €	520 €	749 €	1,100 €
From 500,000 to 1,000,000	500 €	780 €	1,070 €	1,650 €
From 1,000,000 to 2,000,000	650 €	1,040 €	1,605 €	2,200 €
From 2,000,000 to 5,000,000	800 €	1,300 €	1,872.50 €	2,750 €
More than 5,000,000	1,000 €	1,560 €	2,140 €	3,300 €

(\*) 2017 GNI per capita according to world development figures from the World Bank (Atlas methodology)  
<http://databank.worldbank.org/data/download/GNIPC.pdf>

### Other contributions:

Barcelona provides the offices of the General Secretariat and the staff. Changwon was responsible for the costs of the organisation of the General Assembly and the Executive Committee meeting of March. Cascais assumed part of the costs of the organisation of the 15<sup>th</sup> International Congress and the Executive Committee meeting that took place in November 2018. The coordinating cities ensured the functioning of the Territorial Networks and Delegations. The host cities of the territorial meetings were responsible for the costs.

### Transparency:

In compliance with the Spanish law 19/2013, of 9th December, regarding transparency, access to public information and good governance, a specific section of Transparency has been developed on the website: [www.edcities.org/en/transparency](http://www.edcities.org/en/transparency)

In addition to internal controls, the activity of the IAEC is subject to regular external controls by the City Council of Barcelona. Furthermore, the Gabinete Técnico de Auditoría y Consultoría, S.A. carries out an independent external audit.

# What do we do?



Seminars, congresses, workshops.

Personalised advice, assessment and attention.



Publications and materials that highlight the educational potential of the cities.

Study visits.



Spaces for networking and setting in motion joint actions.

An interactive website and databank of best practices.



Dissemination and recognition of the work carried out by the cities.

Training for technical staff and local politicians.



Exchange of information and experiences.

Joint building of know-how.



Interlocution with national and international organisations to make the voice of the local governments heard.

Exhibitions.



Collaboration with other entities with shared goals.

Promotion of cooperation and solidarity.



Elaboration of declarations and manifestos in support of the role of the local governments in education.

International Day of the Educating City



# International congresses

## 15<sup>th</sup> International Congress of the IAEC – Cascais 2018

864 representatives from 118 cities from 24 countries on 4 continents participated in the 15<sup>th</sup> International Congress of Educating Cities that was held in the Portuguese city of Cascais from 13 to 16 November 2018.

Under the theme “The city belongs to its citizens” the Congress delved into the debate on social cohesion in our cities, putting the emphasis on people and on the sense of belonging.

The program included plenaries to discuss and analyse core questions of special interest to cities, such as participatory democracy, sustainability and social harmony. There was also a panel of mayors to reflect on the common challenges faced from different points of view.

Likewise, a total of 77 experiences were analysed and debated during 9 sessions. The experiences were grouped under the 3 thematic axes of the Congress:

reconfiguring the city based on people, their needs and aspirations; social harmony in order to generate a feeling of belonging, and the city for people and their life-projects. Complementary to this, a total of 48 experiences were presented on 5 smart screens. Through the experiences, the cities could reflect on, and exchange information on different forms of approaching shared challenges.

With regards to the study visits, 3 different itineraries were organized that allowed people to learn first-hand about a total of 9 experiences that had been set up in Cascais on the basis of the principles of the Charter of Educating Cities.

As a result of the naming of Cascais as the 2018 Youth Capital, the more innovative aspect of the Congress was the participation of 73 young people from 43 IAEC member cities from 9 countries across 3 continents who participated in the plenaries and study visits as well as discussing in parallel and independently the main themes



“Representatives from 118 cities from 24 countries participated at the 15<sup>th</sup> Congress”

of the Congress. Their final conclusions were presented by the young people themselves during a plenary, where they pointed to the challenges in linking the Educating City movement more effectively to the needs and demands of young people across the world.

On the last day of the Congress an awards ceremony was held to give out the Educating Cities Prize. On this occasion, the first prize went to the cities of Gunsan (Republic of Korea), León (Mexico) and Sétubal (Portugal). Seven other finalist cities received an honourable mention (Medellín, Barakaldo, Rennes, Río Cuarto, Rosario, Viladecans and Vitoria-Gasteiz) for their best practices in citizen education through participation.

At the closing session, the Final Declaration of the Congress was presented, which called on cities to coordinate their efforts to deal with issues that jeopardize social cohesion and the values and practices of democratic citizenry in our cities.

International Congresses take place every two years and constitute a key moment in the life of the Association given that they allow for an internal and external dissemination of the work of the member cities in relation to a specific theme.

The adjournment of the Congress was symbolized by the passing of the torch to the Polish city of Katowice, the organizer of the 16th International Congress of the IAEC in 2020, under the theme “Music, Environment, Leisure and Participation”.



# Educating Cities' Award



The second edition of the Educating City Award on Good Practices on Civic Education through Participation was called with the aim of recognising and providing international visibility to the initiatives that cities of the IAEC carry out to include citizen participation as an educating and structuring element of the local policies.

With a total of 62 candidatures, from 49 member cities of 12 countries and 3 continents, yet another year, the cities of the IAEC have highlighted their enormous capacity to positively influence and improve the life of the citizens.

After an arduous process of deliberation, an international jury selected three initiatives that stand out for their innovative dimension, capacity for mobilization and transformative impact. The three award-winning experiences offer complementary views when it comes to defining a concept such as citizen participation, both broad and polyhedral.

The winning experiences were:

- **Urban Regeneration Plan of the Historic Centre of Gunsan** (Republic of Korea)
- **Women Free of Violence Networks - León** (Mexico)
- **Our Neighbourhood, Our City - Setúbal** (Portugal)

Within this framework, another seven projects were finalists. All of them also notable for highlighting the

importance of citizens' education in participatory processes, to empower citizens to become subjects with full rights in those matters that affect them.

Finalist projects:

- Giltzarri participation platform – Barakaldo (Spain)
- Children and youth citizen participation nurseries – Medellín (Colombia)
- Hotel Pasteur – Rennes (France)
- Urban Recyclers Program – Río Cuarto (Argentina)
- Abre Plan at Rouillón and Seguí – Rosario (Argentina)
- Educational Innovation Network – Viladecans (Spain)
- Citizens Open School – Vitoria-Gasteiz (Spain)

The prize-giving ceremony of the second edition of the Educating Cities' Award took place on 16th November in Cascais (Portugal) within the framework of a plenary session of the 15<sup>th</sup> Congress in which representatives from the winning cities had the opportunity to present their projects.

For more information you can visit:

<http://www.edcities.org/en/awards/award-2018/>



“ The 2<sup>nd</sup> edition of the Educating Cities' Award received 62 nominations from 49 cities”

### Urban Regeneration Plan of the Historic Centre (Gunsan)

A holistic rehabilitation project of the urban centre that has managed to harmonize past and future by empowering residents and linking them to the territory and reactivating the local economy.



### Women Free of Violence Networks (León, Guanajuato)

An initiative to empower women in favour of gender equality and to fight against violence that has managed to raise the awareness of women's rights, as well as weaving networks of solidarity and mutual support between them.



### Our Neighbourhood, Our City (Setúbal)

Programme of transformation and improvement of the quality of life of a degraded area of the city through participation in the identification and resolution of problems and the promotion of community life.



# International Day of the Educating City

“ 135 cities celebrate the 3<sup>rd</sup> International Day of the Educating City”

In 2016 the General Assembly of the Association established 30 November, the anniversary of the proclamation of the Charter of Educating Cities in 1990, as the International Day of the Educating City. The main goal of this celebration is to raise international awareness on the importance of education as a driver of social change and to gain new allies in favour of this model of city.

This third edition was held under the theme “Building a Network of Shared Commitments” in order to emphasize the importance of building networks and joining efforts in the construction of the Educating City.

Thus, member cities were encouraged to make public their commitment to education by planning open-air activities. To do so they were provided with 2 awareness tools specially created for the occasion: the Educating Cities anthem and an origami game. Likewise the

cities gave a public reading of the Declaration in their International Day events or municipal council meetings.

A total of 135 cities from 12 countries on 4 continents joined the celebration by organizing a large variety of events that had a significant impact in local media and social networks.

Numerous cities organized public events where the Educating City anthem was sung by adapting it to the rhythms and tones of each region. Others organized public marches, conferences or exhibitions of the work carried out by students or other local groups in relation to the values of the Charter of Educating Cities. Likewise, there





were cities that organized fairs and presented different educational initiatives available in the municipality in order to encourage the citizenry to get involved and to actively participate. Awareness actions and the fostering of healthy habits, excursions or guided visits in order to give value to local cultural and natural heritage, are some of the other activities carried out.

Both the present and the past celebrations prove member cities' firm commitment to the construction of urban environments that place people at the centre of city life and to maximize the educational impact of municipal public policies. The IAEC Secretariat expresses its full appreciation of the efforts made.

For more information go to:  
[www.edcities.org/international-day-2018](http://www.edcities.org/international-day-2018)



# Educating Cities International Documents Databank (BIDCE)

“ More than 1,000 good practices are available at the Bank of Experiences”

Since its beginnings, the IAEC has fostered the creation of spaces and tools to enable member cities to share models of action and best practices and to learn from each other.

The BIDCE is made up of a Bank of Experiences and a Documentary database which stores a large amount of ordered and inter-related information, both on-line internet accessible.

The Bank of Experiences, which can be consulted in: Spanish, French and English, contains information on more than 1,000 initiatives, which illustrate various examples of the principles of the Charter of Educating Cities.

The experiences are selected according to innovation and transferability criteria.

In a complementary way to the free consultation of the Bank, the Secretariat periodically disseminates best practices, either in digital format such as the Focus Experiences, or by means of printed and digital publications such as the monographs or newsletters.

Furthermore, the experiences that are published can also be found in each city's section on the IAEC website and

in the Current Topics section. With regard to the latter, you can consult a selection of experiences, specifically about the welfare of the elderly, a more sustainable urban development, the improvement of the public space, the construction of more inclusive cities, the fostering of sports, and the right of access to culture for all. The experiences are also disseminated through the News section, on the occasion, for example, of the International Days in connection to the principles of the Charter of Educating Cities. The experiences of the Bank are also disseminated in different events and meetings to which the Association is invited to participate.

In 2018, the Focus Experiences tackled issues such as the creation of spaces of expression and training for youths, and a plan for the improvement of the public space of the city by means of voluntary citizens who provide information about its state.

More information: [www.edcities.org/en/bank-experiences/](http://www.edcities.org/en/bank-experiences/)

## Focus Experience

The House of Urban Cultures of Dakar -  
Dakar (Senegal)  
N° 29



Neighbourhood Guardian  
- Cascais (Portugal)  
N°30



The Documents database contains references of books, videos, magazine articles, dossiers, transcriptions of talks, seminars and congresses, etc. which contribute to the theoretical reflection based around the educating potential of the cities. Currently, it has approximately 150 documents in written or audiovisual format.

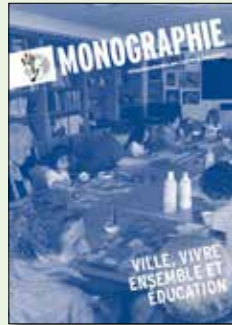
# Communication

The Association and the territorial networks make the work carried out by the member cities visible through different communication channels. Communication tools also contribute to raise local leaders' awareness of the educational impact of the various municipal policies and actions; they also help to gain new endorsements.

## Publications



Newsletter  
27 and 28



Monograph: City, Living Together and Education  
(ES, EN, CAT and now: FR)



Working groups of the Spanish Network, 2016-2017



Discussion Folder 4 of the Latin American Delegation  
(ES and now: PT)

Portuguese Network Newsletter



Newsletter 33, 34 and 35

Portuguese Network Brochure

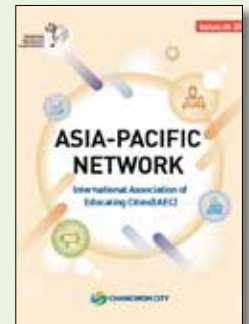


Mexican Network Newsletter



Newsletter 1 and 2

Asia-Pacific Network Newsletter



## Online Communication

The online communication channels facilitate the periodical diffusion of the Association's activities and the principles of the Charter of Education Cities on a global scale, while contributing to creating a "global educating community".

Website: [www.edcities.org/en](http://www.edcities.org/en)



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# Training

Promoting the incorporation of education as a key transversal axis is one of the goals of the Association. To do so, it is important that decision makers from the various areas of the local government as well as city workers are aware of and highlight the educational potential of the policies conducted by their respective municipal areas and services.

The IAEC offers capacity building opportunities for political leaders and technical staff from diverse areas of the local government with the aim to foster the articulation of local cross-cutting policies, as well as the establishment of collaborations with civil society organizations.

In 2018, the Training Seminar “Educating Cities and Local Governance” was held in Ordizia (25 and 26 April), Maó (9 and 10 April), Castellón de la Plana (20 September) and Caguas (22 and 23 October). The cities of Esquel (16 and 17 May) and Pergamino (3 May), for their part, hosted the awareness-raising sessions organized by the Latin American Delegation: “Dialogues for the Construction of an Educating City”.

On the other hand, the municipalities of Angra do Heroísmo, Lagoa (Algarve) and Portalegre participated in a training session offered by the Portuguese network to recently joined members.

The Latin American Delegation rolled out the following online training program, which includes videoconferences, recommended readings, participation in a forum and analysis of case studies:



- Building an Educating City (February).
- Better Living Together and Citizen Participation – Towards the construction of Comprehensive Participatory Systems (August).
- Childhood and the Educating Role of the City (October).
- Youth and Public Policy in Educating Cities (two sessions: March and August).

As for the Spanish Network, the members of the thematic group “Engaging children to achieve Sustainable Development Goals (SDG)” had the chance to participate in a training session provided by the UCLG on the localisation of the SDGs at the municipal level (Lleida, 18 October).

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# Study visits

Amongst our members there are many cities that have had positive experiences in resolving problems and urban challenges. That is why the IAEC offers platforms for establishing links among cities, knowledge sharing, exchanging working methodologies and disseminating good practices.

Furthermore, meetings organized by the territorial and thematic networks usually include visits to educational experiences organized by the host city. All of this contributes to generating spaces and opportunities for learning and dialogue amongst the member cities.

In 2018, as part of the General Assembly, the city of Changwon organized a study visit program to various educating initiatives of the city, as well as a visit to the Gamcheon Cultural Village in Saha-gu, one of the 2016



Educating Cities Prize winners. On the other hand, the program for the 15<sup>th</sup> Congress also included visits to best practices related to participation, strengthening of the feeling of belonging and urban planning, of the city of Cascais.

## Exhibitions

The Secretariat as well as the territorial networks design exhibition materials that contribute to the valorization of the work carried out, the dissemination of the Association and the principles of the Charter of Educating Cities and the development of new synergies between local governments and the civil society.

In 2018, the Travelling Exhibition of the Portuguese Network, which illustrates the principles of the Charter of Educating Cities, was presented in: Cascais, Lagoa (Algarve), Paços de Ferreira, Palmela, Pombal and Vila Franca de Xira. Parallel to this, the Travelling Exhibition “Educating Cities: Local Actions, Global Actions” was presented during the 13<sup>th</sup> Meeting of the Spanish Network of Educating Cities, in Lleida.



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## Collaboration with other institutions

The collaboration and networking with other organizations and institutions that defend similar interests are fundamental for the IAEC. This collaboration aims at establishing synergies and increasing the impact of the actions carried out so as to spread the principles of the Educating City.

In line with this, as a member of the Executive Bureau of United Cities and Local Governments (UCLG), the IAEC participated in the Retreat & Campus organized by the UCLG, a conference in which central issues for cities were tackled and agreed strategic positioning was discussed to face them. Also with the UCLG, through its Commission of Social Inclusion, Participatory Democracy and Human Rights, the IAEC participated in the European Workshop of municipalities and territories for human rights, which took place in Barcelona on 11<sup>th</sup> December.

Likewise, during 2018, the IAEC took part in the international congress “Direct democracy and citizen initiative, and ecosystems of inclusive democracy”

held in Barcelona and organized by the International Observatory on Participatory Democracy. Furthermore, the IAEC formed part of the Organization Committee of the 2<sup>nd</sup> World Forum on Urban Violence and Education for Coexistence and Peace, held in Madrid from 5<sup>th</sup> to 8<sup>th</sup> November 2018 and various cities of the IAEC were invited to present their good practices.

During the 8th Latin American and Caribbean Conference on Social Sciences organized by CLACSO, the IAEC organized a panel on “Educating Cities, the Right to Education in the City”. In Barcelona, the IAEC participated in the International Symposium on the Collective Right to Education in the City promoted by Barcelona City Council and with the support of UNESCO.

With the CIDOB, an international policy think tank with its headquarters based in Barcelona, the IAEC participated in the international seminar entitled “Rethinking the ecosystem of international city networks: challenges and opportunities”.

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## Personalised attention

The Association and its networks open up channels of dialogue to offer personalised attention to its members to better respond to their demands. In this sense, the establishment of contacts among member cities is fostered and support is provided to organize study visits and to exchange knowledge on successful initiatives. Furthermore, information on awards, bids and programmes is provided to offer member cities the possibility of accessing additional funds or gaining recognition of their projects.



## List of member cities

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ALCIRA GIGENA  
ARMSTRONG  
BUENOS AIRES  
BULNES  
CAÑADA DE GÓMEZ  
CHAÑAR LADEADO  
CORONEL BAIGORRIA  
CORONEL MOLDES  
COSQUÍN  
ESQUEL  
GENERAL ALVEAR  
GODOY CRUZ  
LAS ACEQUIAS  
MALARGÜE  
MORÓN  
PERGAMINO  
PILAR  
RÍO CUARTO  
ROSARIO  
SAN FRANCISCO  
SAN JUSTO  
SUNCHALES  
TOTORAS  
VILLA CONSTITUCIÓN  
VILLA REDUCCIÓN  
ZÁRATE

### AUSTRALIA

ADELAIDE

### BELGIUM

BRUSSELS

### BENIN

DJAKOTOMEY  
DOGBA  
LOKOSSA

### BRAZIL

BELO HORIZONTE  
CAXIAS DO SUL  
GUARULHOS  
HORIZONTE  
MAUÁ  
NOVA PETRÓPOLIS  
PORTO ALEGRE  
SANTIAGO  
SANTO ANDRÉ  
SANTOS  
SAO BERNARDO DO CAMPO  
SAO CARLOS  
SAO PAULO  
SOROCABA  
VITÓRIA

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### CHILE

PURRANQUE

### COLOMBIA

MEDELLÍN  
PURIFICACIÓN  
SABAMETA  
SIMIJACA

### COSTA RICA

SAN JOSÉ

### CROATIA

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### DENMARK

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### ECUADOR

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QUITO

### FINLAND

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HELSINKI  
TAMPERE

### FRANCE

ANGERS  
ARGENTEUIL  
AUBAGNE  
AUCH  
AURILLAC  
BAYONNE  
BESANÇON  
BEZONS  
BLAGNAC  
BOULOGNE-SUR-MER  
BOURG-EN-BRESSE  
BOURGES  
BREST  
BRUGES  
CAEN  
CERGY  
CHELLES  
CLAMART  
CLERMONT-FERRAND  
CLICHY-SOUS-BOIS  
COLOMIERS  
CREIL  
DÉCINES-CHARPIEU  
DIEPPE  
DUNKERQUE  
ÉCHIROLLES  
ÉRAGNY-SUR-OISE  
EVRY  
FIGEAC  
FONTAINE  
FRONTIGNAN  
GRENOBLE  
GUIPAVAS  
GUYANCOURT  
ILLKIRCH-GRAFFENSTADEN  
LA CIOTAT  
LA ROCHELLE  
LA ROCHE-SUR YON  
LA-CHAPELLE-SUR-ERDRE  
LAMENTIN (Guadeloupe)  
LANNION  
LE KREMLIN BICÊTRE  
LILLE  
LIMOGES  
Lomme  
LORIENT  
LORMONT  
METZ  
MEYLAN  
MONTREUIL  
NANTERRE  
NANTES

NEVERS  
ORLY  
PARIS  
PAU  
PERPIGNAN  
PESSAC  
POISSY  
POITIERS  
PRÉ SAINT-GERVAIS  
QUIMPER  
REIMS  
RENNES  
REZÉ  
RILLIEUX-LA-PAPE  
ROCHEFORT  
ROUBAIX  
SAINT-ÉTIENNE-DU-ROUVRAY  
SAINT-HERBLAIN  
SAINT-MARTIN-D'HÉRES  
SAINT-MÉDARD-EN-JALLES  
SAINT-NAZAIRE  
SAINT-PRIEST  
SCHILTIGHEIM  
STRASBOURG  
TARNOS  
TORCY  
TOULOUSE  
TOURCOING  
TOURNEFEUILLE  
TOURS  
VANDOEUVRE LÈS-NANCY  
VAULX-EN-VELIN  
VILLENEUVE D'ASCQ  
VITROLLES  
VOIRON

### GERMANY

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### GREECE

AGIA VARVARA

### ITALY

BOLOGNA  
BRANDIZZO  
BRESCIA  
BUSTO GAROLFO  
CASTELFIORENTINO  
FOGGIA  
GENOA  
ORZINUOVI  
PORTOGRUARO  
RAVENNA  
SETTIMO TORINESE  
SIRACUSA  
TURIN  
VENICE  
VICENZA

### MEXICO

COLIMA  
ECATEPEC DE MORELOS  
GUADALAJARA  
LEÓN  
MÉXICO D.F.  
MORELIA  
PLAYA DE CARMEN  
TENANGO DEL VALLE  
ZACATECAS

### MOROCCO

RABAT

### NEPAL

BHIMESHWOR

### PALESTINA

BETHLEHEM

### PHILIPPINES

CALUYA

### POLAND

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ALBUFEIRA  
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AMADORA  
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ANGRA DO HEROÍSMO  
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BARREIRO  
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FUNCHAL  
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GRÂNDOLA  
GUARDA  
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LOULÉ  
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LOUSADA  
MATOSINHOS  
MEALHADA  
MIRANDA DO CORVO  
MONTIJO  
MOURA  
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OEIRAS  
OLIVEIRA DE AZEMÉIS  
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SANTA MARIA DA FEIRA  
SANTARÉM

SANTO TIRSO  
SAO JOAO DA MADEIRA  
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SOBRAL DO MONTE AGRAÇO  
SOURE  
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TORRES NOVAS  
TORRES VEDRAS  
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VILA NOVA DE FAMALICAO  
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GUMI  
GUNSAN  
GWUANGJU METROPOLITAN  
CITY  
GYEONGSAN  
HADONG  
HOENGSEONG-GUN  
JECHEON  
JINCHEON  
PAJU  
POHANG  
SAHA-GU  
SUNCHEON CITY  
SUSEONG DISTRICT  
ULSAN JUNG-GU  
YEOSU

### RUMANIA

SATU MARE

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DAKAR

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ALCALÁ DE GUADAIRA  
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ALCÁZAR DE SAN JUAN  
ALCOBENDAS  
ALCOI  
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ALGUAZAS  
ALHAMA DE MURCIA  
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BARAKALDO  
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BARCELONA  
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