

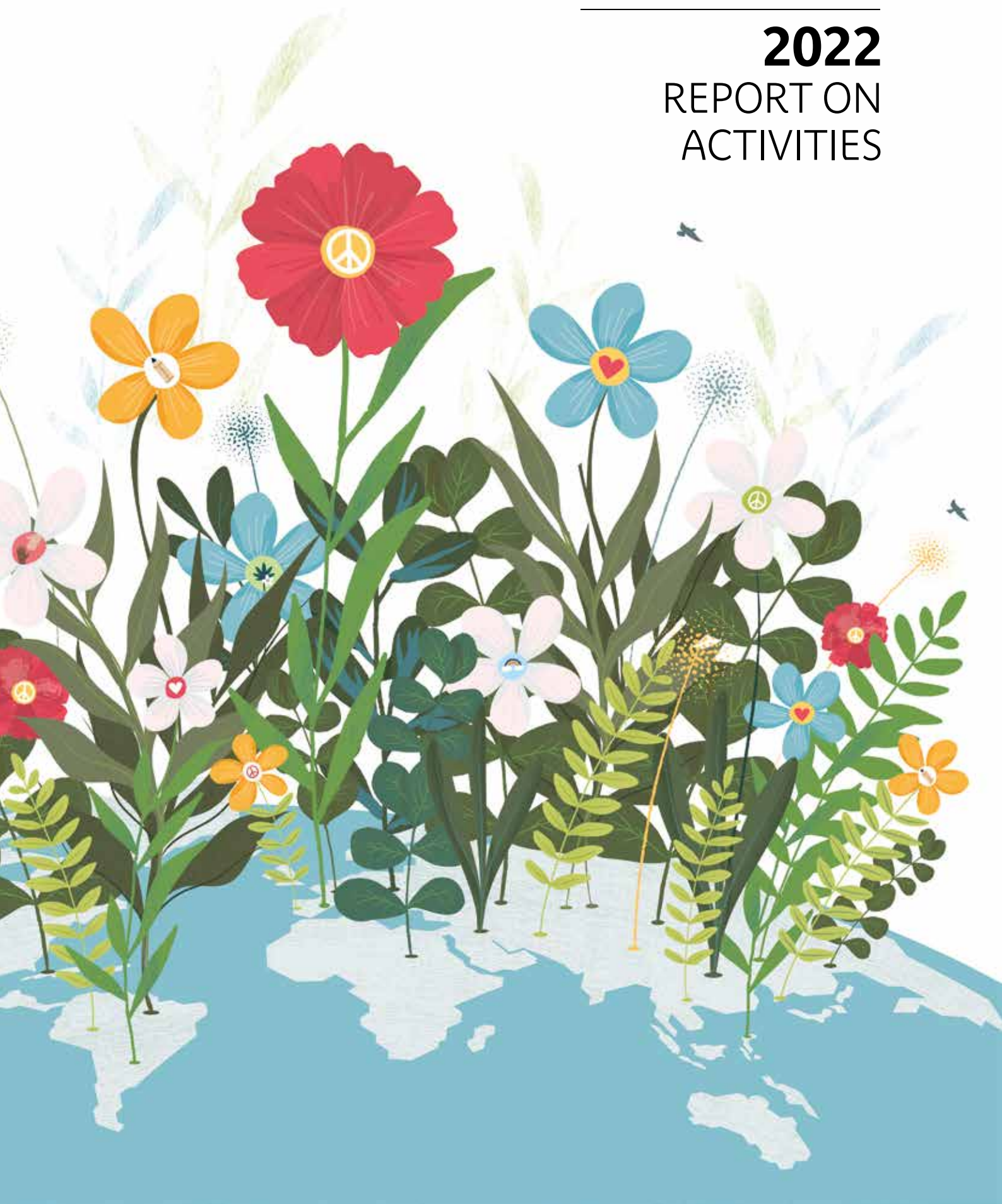


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ASSOCIATION OF  
**Educating  
Cities**

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# 2022

## REPORT ON ACTIVITIES





The International Association of Educating Cities is once again proud to present its annual Activity Report. This is an exercise in transparency, which showcases the main activities that the Secretariat, the Executive Committee and the various networks and delegations carried out in 2022.

It also includes information on the nature of the Association, its structure, its finances, its awareness-raising and advocacy activities, and its institutional relations over the course of 2022. It therefore offers a great snapshot of the organisation's track record.

We appreciate the collaboration of all the towns and cities that supported us throughout the year and all the people who took part in our activities, and who with their response motivate us to continue working in our role as a benchmark international institution.

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# ABOUT US

The **International Association of Educating Cities (IAEC)** is a non-profit organisation created in 1994 to act as a permanent bridge for participation between local governments that are committed to education as a tool for social transformation.

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## Our mission

### BRING TOGETHER political and technical representatives

of cities committed to the principles of the Charter of Educating Cities in order to foster bonds of solidarity and exchanges among them.

### FOSTER sustainable and harmonious development. Promote good governance

in member cities, through training instruments and actions.

### ORGANISE meetings and activities

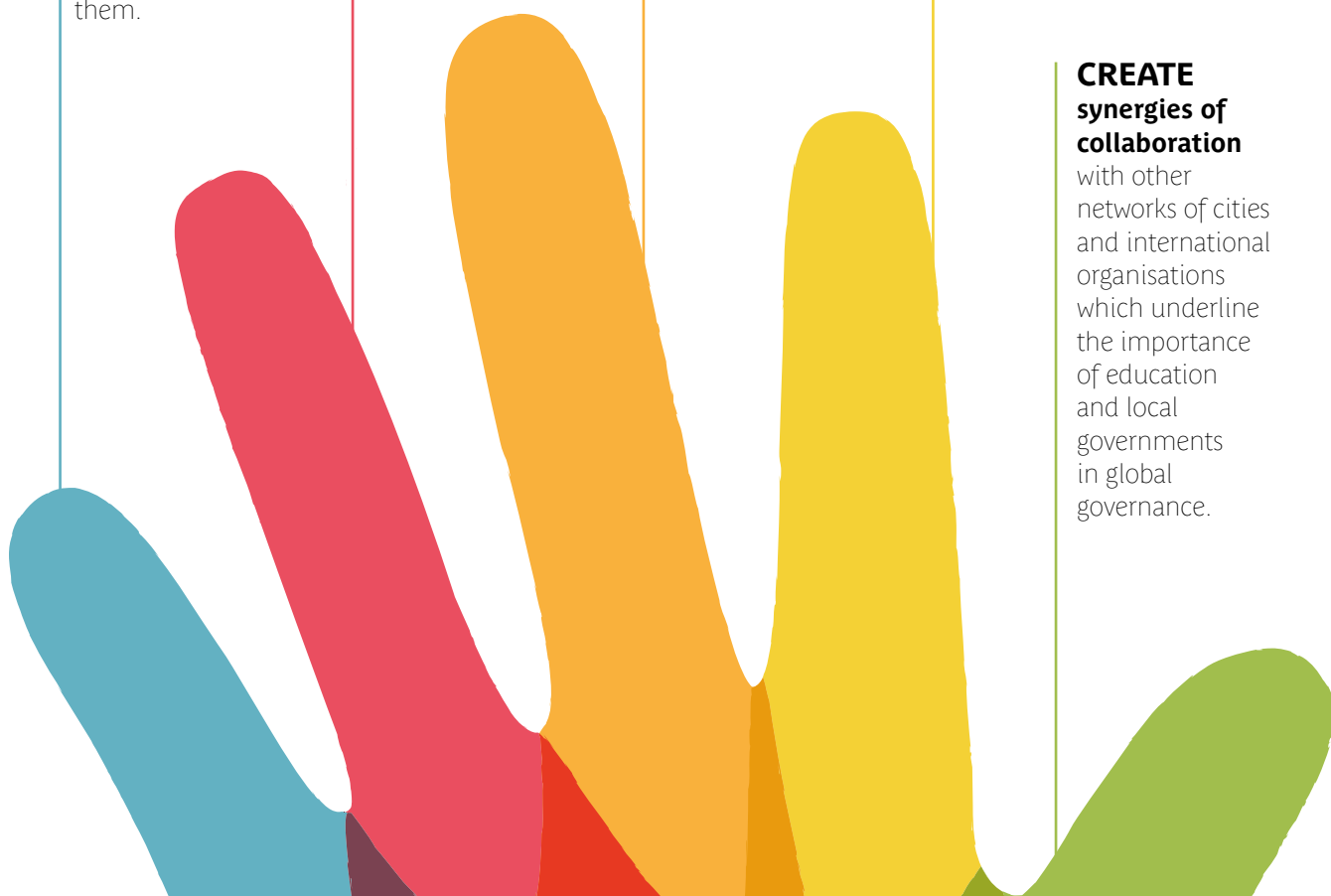
for the exchange of knowledge and experiences on issues of interest to member cities.

### ADVOCATE for policies and actions

that promote quality of life, social cohesion, gender equity and equal opportunities through education.

### CREATE synergies of collaboration

with other networks of cities and international organisations which underline the importance of education and local governments in global governance.





# PROLOGUE

2022 is over and the International Association of Educating Cities (IAEC) once again spent the year focusing on people and education as driving forces behind change. While the COVID-19 pandemic contributed to the development of communication tools and new ways of networking, it also added new barriers and obstacles to equity, thereby accentuating pre-existing inequalities in our cities. All this prompted us to bolster and develop new strategies that favour inclusion, foster harmonious living and prevent social segregation. Challenges that call for joint efforts between municipal departments, as well as among citizens, in order to promote participatory and deliberation procedures.

Many cities still have unequal access to the public spaces, knowledge and skills necessary for social, educational and professional inclusion. Likewise, violence, in its various forms, continues to be very present in our societies. It is therefore necessary to implement measures to mitigate the physical, psychological and environmental damage caused by such violence, which prevents certain individuals or groups from developing to their fullest.

The theme chosen for the 2022 International Day of the Educating City was: “The Educating City is a city of peace and opportunities”. More than 175 cities from thirteen countries shared municipal initiatives to eliminate barriers that hinder citizens’ access to the opportunities offered by their territories. **As every year, we wanted to show that working together bolsters our strength and determination to change things.**

After four years without meeting up in person, more than two thousand people gathered at the **16th International Congress** held in Andong (South Korea), where the **“Educating Cities Award for best practices in the promotion of care in the city”** was handed out. All the award-winning initiatives and finalists focused on local projects that respond to the need for care.

The importance of care for the IAEC was also reflected by the publication of a monograph on **“City, care and education”**, and in the edition, together with United Cities and Local



**This report underlines the importance of the IAEC and the need to continue working to build spaces where rights are guaranteed and opportunities are created, fighting the causes that origin inequalities, proposing solutions, and learning from one another.**

Governments (UCLG), of the document **“Socio-spatial inequality and local educational action in the construction of caring cities”**.

These pages reflect the main activities carried out in 2022 and showcase the dedication and enthusiasm of everyone in the Association. Without a shadow of doubt, they are our greatest asset. And figures are rising year after year. I would like to take this opportunity to formally welcome the twenty-nine cities that joined the network in 2022.

From Barcelona, the city that holds the Presidency, we will continue to support the network and highlight the indispensable role that education and local governments play in tackling new global challenges.

**Ada Colau Ballano**

Mayor of Barcelona and President of the IAEC



# Organisation

## GENERAL ASSEMBLY

main body of the Association composed by all member cities.

## EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

direction, management, execution and representation of IAEC.



**BARCELONA**  
Presidency

Mayor Ms. Ada Colau



**GRANOLLERS**  
Treasury

Mayor Ms. Alba Barnusell



**ROSARIO**  
Vice Presidency

Mayor Mr. Pablo Javkin

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MR. KWEON YOUNG-SAE



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MAYOR  
MR. PHILIPPE CLOSE



**CASCAIS**

MAYOR  
MR. CARLOS CARREIRAS



**CHANGWON**

MAYOR  
MR. HONG NAM-PYO



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MAYOR  
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MAYOR MS. NATHALIE  
APPÉRÉE



**SEVILLA**

MAYOR  
MR. ANTONIO MUÑOZ



**TAMPERE**

MAYOR  
MS. ANNA-KAISA IKONEN



**TURÍN**

MAYOR  
MR. STEFANO LO RUSSO

## SECRETARIAT

responsible of the day-to-day management.

## NETWORKS

decentralized structures made up of IAEC member cities in a specific territory or that work together around a topic of common interest.

In 2022, the bylaws were amended to allow for online or hybrid meetings.

# WHAT DO WE DO?

Publications and materials that highlight the educational potential of the cities



Personalised advice, assessment and attention



Seminars, congresses, workshops

Spaces for networking and setting in motion joint actions



Study visits



Training for technical staff and local politicians



An interactive website and bank of experiences



Exchange of information and experiences



Difusión y reconocimiento del trabajo que realizan las ciudades



Collaboration with other entities with shared goals



Joint building of know-how



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



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



Exhibitions



International Day of the Educating City



Promotion of cooperation and solidarity



# NETWORKS

**The Spanish Network of Educating Cities (RECE, in its Spanish acronym)** is the IAEC territorial network with the most members (235). In March, it held its 16th Meeting under the tagline “Consolidating the Educating City”, which attracted some 350 participants from 107 municipalities, coinciding with the end of the coordination period led by Vitoria-Gasteiz. The main contents of the agenda were a keynote speech on the main challenges of education; three round tables on the importance of political leadership, governance and knowledge of the territory; the presentation of fifty-five experiences; the exhibition of the work of themed networks; and study visits to spaces and initiatives run by the Vitoria-Gasteiz Educating City project.

In the course of the meeting, Gijón/Xixón took over as the new coordinating city and the new

Monitoring Commission was formed with the following members: Avilés, El Prat de Llobregat, Gijón/Xixón, Ibi, Lleida, Málaga, Oviedo/Uviéu, Rivas Vaciamadrid, Tomelloso, Seville, Vitoria-Gasteiz, and Granollers as a partner city. The themed networks that started their work in 2022, with a total of seventy-eight participating municipalities, are:

- The educating city in training and employment (coordinated by Málaga)
- The educating city against the culture of hatred (coordinated by Seville)
- Transformation of the city: urban agenda from and with the perspective of childhood and adolescence (coordinated by Rivas Vaciamadrid)

The RECE Monitoring Commission met on three occasions and in November the coordinating city organised the second conference on education and history with memory.



>>> [LINK TO THE RECE REPORT](#)

[▶ LINK TO AUDIOVISUAL MATERIAL FROM THE 16TH RECE MEETING](#)



**The Portuguese Network (RTPCE, in its Portuguese acronym)**, coordinated by Lisbon, held two National Meetings: one in Viseu (June) and one in Tábua (October). Meanwhile, the network's Coordination Commission met in Lisbon, Torres Vedras and Almada.

The RTPCE's themed networks continued their work with various activities such as meetings, study visits, presentations of good practices, the [launch of the "Play in the Educating City" website](#) and the publication of the [Declaration of Inclusive Cities](#). The following working groups were operational in this period:

- Inclusive Cities (coordinated by Almada)
- Play in the Educating City (coordinated by Torres Vedras)
- Local Educational Project (coordinated by Loulé)
- Lifelong Education (coordinated by Loures)

**The Latin America Delegation**, led by Rosario, held working meetings with member cities in the region on a regular basis, as well as with the Secretariat and network coordinating cities. For example, meetings were held with the municipalities of Guaporé, Zárate, Palmeira, San Cristóbal de las Casas, Montevideo, Guanajuato, Villa Ocampo, San Pedro Tlaquepaque, Vitoria de Santo Antão, Ceres, Oaxaca de Juárez, Araraquara, São Paulo, Playa del Carmen and Buenos Aires.

In this period, the following [themed networks](#) were operational:

- Culture Network
- Sustainability Network
- Urban Planning Network

Each themed network held activities in a virtual format, known as Learning Cyber C@fés. As a new development, each network was given a space in the Virtual Classroom to continue with exchanges, consult materials, and encourage interaction among members.

The Delegation organised awareness-raising days to explore the concept of an educating city in Villa Constitución, Villa Carlos Paz, General Cabrera, Santa Fe, Cochabamba, Passo Fundo and Cañada de Gómez.

Technical exchanges were also held with Rio Grande do Sul and Montevideo. Also, the Educating Dialogue *"The rights of older people in educating cities"* was held in October.

[>>> For more information, see the Latin American Delegation Activity Report.](#)

The Delegation offers support to the territorial networks of Argentina, Brazil and Mexico and mentoring for cities in the region.

**The Argentinian Network of Educating Cities**, (RACE, in its Spanish acronym), coordinated by San Justo, held two meetings in 2022. Buenos Aires hosted the first meeting in May, within the



## The IAEC decentralises its work in territorial and/or themed networks.

framework of the theme *“Public policies for equality. Cities that care”*

Godoy Cruz hosted the second meeting of the RACE in December, with the theme *“How the city educates”*. The day included a round table of mayors, who agreed on a Declaration of Commitments of Educating Cities, available [online](#).

**The Brazilian Network (REBRACE, in its Portuguese acronym)**, coordinated by Curitiba, met monthly between May and November. These meeting spaces allowed member cities to exhibit the educating experiences developed in their territory. REBRACE promotes the extension of the network through contacts, presentations and visits. In 2022, the Association was presented to the following municipalities: Carangola/MG, Cianorte, Guaporé, Maricá/RJ, Morretes, Piên/PR, Pomerode/SC, and São José dos Pinhais/PR.

The online course “Educating cities and social recognition” was provided and participation was encouraged in a meeting of Educating Cities organised by the city of Marau. A network publicity video was produced for the Curitiba education exhibition and the Curitiba booth at the [16th International Congress in Andong](#).

In July, an exchange of experiences was held with Palmeira, and in August, REBRACE took part in the 2nd Passo Fundo Educating City International [Seminar](#) with a conference and awareness-raising activities.

**The Mexican Network of Educating Cities**, coordinated by León, held introductory workshops in face-to-face and online format for new cities, with the aim of providing an initial insight into the Charter of Educating Cities and the Methodological Guide. In June, there was a technical visit and exchange of experiences between San Cristóbal de las Casas and León-Guanajuato. Finally, Guanajuato hosted the REMCE General Assembly in September. The Assembly elected the city of León as a new member of the Executive Committee, which will bolster communication between the network and the IAEC governing body.

As for the **Asia-Pacific Network**, the 16th International Congress of Educating Cities was held in Andong, South Korea, attracting a huge number of participants from the region. In 2022, the network published its annual newsletter with [a summary](#) of featured events at the Congress and the main educational projects of member cities in Asia.

**Spanish Network** | Coordination: Gijón/Xixón  
[www.edcities.org/rece](http://www.edcities.org/rece)

**French Network** | Coordination: Rennes  
[www.edcities.org/reseau-francais/](http://www.edcities.org/reseau-francais/)

**Portuguese Network** | Coordination: Lisbon  
[www.edcities.org/rede-portuguesa](http://www.edcities.org/rede-portuguesa)  
Facebook: [www.facebook.com/RTPCE/](https://www.facebook.com/RTPCE/)

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[www.edcities.org/race/](http://www.edcities.org/race/)  
<https://www.instagram.com/redargentinas/>

**Brazilian Network** | Coordination Curitiba  
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**Mexican Network** | Coordination: León  
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# THE ASSOCIATION IN FIGURES

## WELCOME!

In 2022, 29 new cities in 7 countries joined the Association, making a total of 490 cities in 35 countries.

We welcome the following new cities:

### ARGENTINA:

Ceres, El Trébol, Malabrigo

### BRAZIL:

Guaporé, Monte Horebe, Palmeira, Porto Alegre, Sarandi, Vitória de Santo Antão

### SPAIN:

Andorra, Arganda del Rey, Caldes de Montbui, El Masnou, Estepa, Granada, Lliçà d'Amunt, Parla, Pineda de Mar

### FRANCE:

Barentin, Bordeaux, Lattes

### MEXICO:

Guadalupe, Guanajuato, Oaxaca de Juárez, San Cristóbal de las Casas, San Pedro Tlaquepaque

### PORTUGAL:

Almodôvar, Espinho

### REPUBLIC OF KOREA:

Yongsan-Gu

A further 17 cities in 6 countries started the necessary procedures to join the Association.

29 new cities joined the Association in 2022



## Member cities classified by population

< 50.000 (249)

50.000 > 100.000 (100)

100.000 > 250.000 (88)

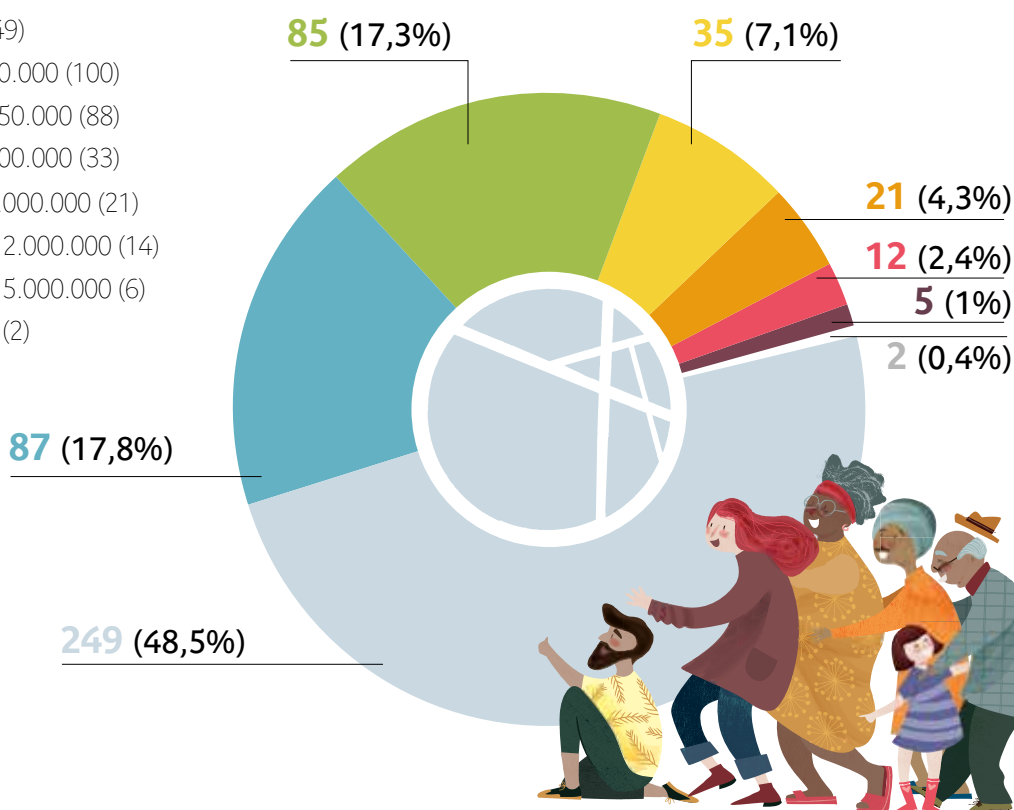
250.000 > 500.000 (33)

500.000 > 1.000.000 (21)

1.000.000 > 2.000.000 (14)

2.000.000 > 5.000.000 (6)

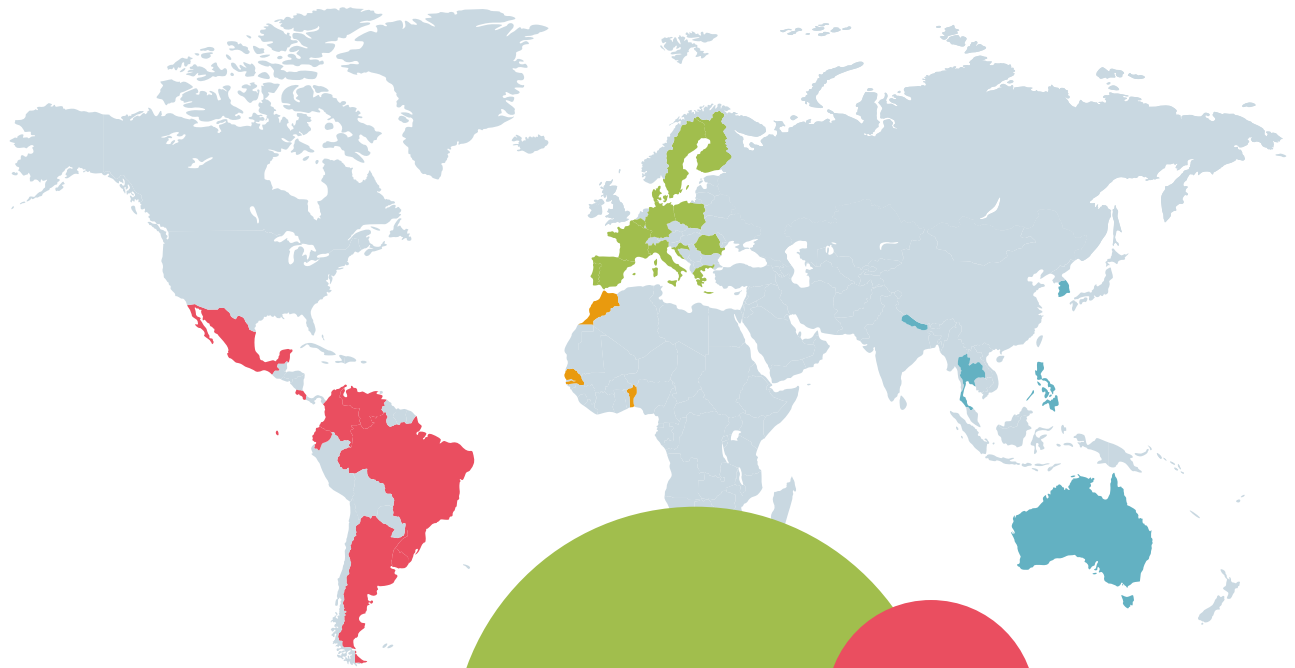
> 5.000.000 (2)





# 490 cities in 35 countries are members of the Association

## Member cities by continent



### EUROPE 370 (76%)

Belgium (1); Croatia (1); Denmark (1); Finland (2); France (25); Germany (1); Greece (1); Italy (9); Poland (1); Portugal (90); Rumania (1); Spain (235); Sweden (1); Switzerland (1)

### AMERICA 84 (17%)

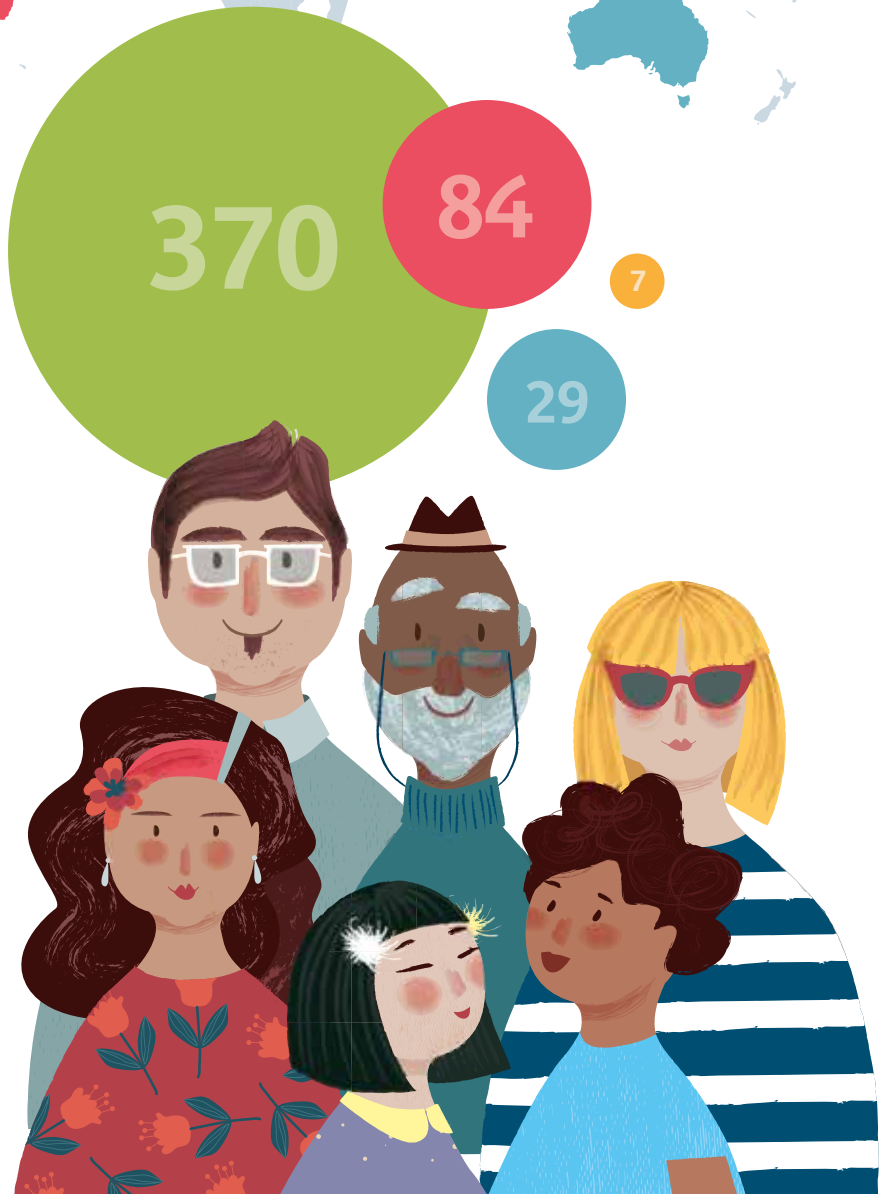
Argentina (33); Bolivia (1); Brazil (26); Colombia (4); Costa Rica (1); Ecuador (1); Mexico (15); Puerto Rico (1); Uruguay (1); Venezuela (1)

### ASIA-PACIFIC 29 (6%)

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

### AFRICA 7 (1%)

Benin (3); Cape Verde (1); Morocco (1); Senegal (1); Togo (1)



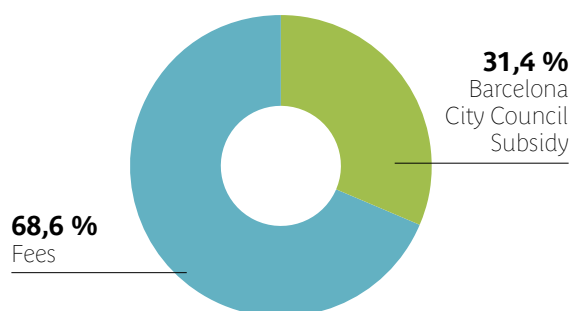
## Financial details

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.

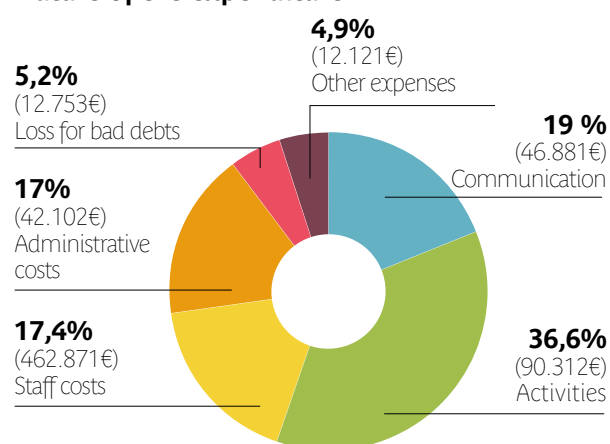
In 2022, the expenditure of the Association amounted to 247.041,55€.

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.

### Revenues



### Nature of the expenditure



National Income per capita

Number of inhabitants	Group I* 0 US\$-1000 US\$	Group II* 1001 US\$-3000 US\$	Group III* 3001 US\$-10000 US\$	Group IV* más de 10.001 US\$
<50,000	70€	104€	160,50€	220€
50,000 a 10,000	100€	156€	214€	330€
100,000 a 250,000	250€	338€	481,50€	715€
250,000 a 500,000	350€	520€	749€	1100€
500,000 a 1,000,000	500€	780€	1070€	1650€
1,000,000 a 2,000,000	650€	1040€	1605€	2200€
2,000,000 a 5,000,000	800€	1300€	1872,50€	2750€
>5,000,000	1000€	1560€	2140€	3300€

(\*) I GNI per capita according to world development figures from the World Bank (Atlas methodology).  
<https://data.worldbank.org/indicator/NY.GNP.PCAP.CD>

### Other contributions

- Barcelona City Council: offices of the General Secretariat and human resources.
- Latin America Delegation and coordinating cities of the Networks: operation of the various networks and working groups; contribution of financial and human resources.
- Andong: payment of the main part of the costs of organising the 16th International Congress.
- Host cities for meetings and encounters: payment of the corresponding costs

### Transparency

Transparency, access to information and good governance are cornerstones of the Association's activities. In compliance with Spanish Law 19/2013, the IAEC has a [specific Transparency section](#) on its website that includes the Activity Report, the annual accounts, agreements, and the rules governing the IAEC, among others. This allows for better monitoring of activities and helps build confidence. In addition to internal controls, the IAEC's activities are subject to regular external controls by Barcelona City Council. What is more, Uniaudit Oliver Camps also conducts an independent external audit.

# OTHER ACTIVITIES

In 2022, content was developed for the following courses of the Virtual Classroom of the IAEC's Latin America Delegation:

- "Practices and policies of citizen engagement on a local level for the construction of integrated participatory ecosystems"
- "Principles and values of an Educating City"
- "Sexual diversity in Educating Cities"
- "Public policies and youth engagement in Educating Cities"
- "Childhood and early childhood in the Educating City. Does the construction of the commons include girls and boys?"

Meanwhile, the Secretariat met in person or online and welcomed delegations from the Basque Parliament; the Latin American Federation of Cities, Municipalities and Associations; Amman; Bourges; Bordeaux; Godoy Cruz; Guatemala; La Vall d'en Bas; Medellín; Quito; Rayón; Río Cuarto; Rosario; Santa María RD; Tangier; and Tbilisi. The network's projects were also presented to a delegation of fifty mayors from Brazil, coordinated with UCLG and SEBRAE.

What is more, online welcome sessions were arranged for the following new members: Caldes de Montbui, Lliçà de Munt and Pineda de Mar. Finally, contacts were maintained with the UNESCO Global Network of Learning Cities, with the Cooperation team from the Metropolitan Area of Barcelona and with a delegation from the CVUC (*Communes et villes unies du Cameroun*) to study the expansion of the IAEC in Cameroon.

The partnership continued with the Childhood and Participation project, and with UNICEF's Child Friendly Cities Initiative, with various virtual meetings and an end-of-project conference having been organised.

The travelling exhibition of the Portuguese Network was shown in Torres Vedras in December and worked on the redesign of various panels.

The IAEC participated in the United Cities and Local Governments (UCLG) retreat in February, an organisation of which it is a member. The entity's Executive Committee met in March, September and October. Tampere hosted the Ordinary Assembly in March 2022 and Andong did the same in October. At the latter Assembly the new strategic plan that will guide the Association's activities between 2023 and 2026 was approved.





# INTERNATIONAL CONGRESSES

## ANDONG 2022

Andong (South Korea) hosted the 16th International Congress of Educating Cities between 25 and 28 October, with the participation of 129 delegations and a total of nearly two thousand attendees.

Under the tagline “Devising the future of education in the city: innovation, tradition and inclusion”, the Congress focused on how to build sustainable educating cities from a holistic perspective, while conserving traditional culture, fostering the feeling of belonging and inclusive development, and encouraging technological and social innovation.

During the Congress, there was discussion on how to build more sustainable communities where past, present and future coexist. Communities where people can realise their full potential by fostering living conditions based on equity and social justice. This was done through the exchange of good practices and innovative experiences.

A total of thirty-five experiences were presented in workshop format and twenty-four in poster format, grouped according to the three cornerstones of the Congress: (i) Tradition and identity; (ii) Inclusion; and (iii) Technology and social innovation.

What is more, the event included two conferences on the subject, mayors’ round tables, study visits to local good practices within the cornerstones of the Congress, and tours of UNESCO World Heritage sites. The Congress also played host to the Educating Cities Award Ceremony and the Association’s Ordinary Assembly. As in previous editions, the voice of young people was incorporated by means of discussions with mayors from the network.

The [Andong Declaration](#) put the finishing touches to the 16th International Congress. We would like to take this opportunity



The **International Congresses** are a key moment for the Association and a magnificent opportunity to reflect on specific issues, exchange experiences and build a shared discourse



>> [ANDONG CONGRESS 2022 OFFICIAL WEBSITE](#)

>> [CONGRESS OFFICIAL SUMMARY VIDEO](#)

**PUBLICATIONS OF INTEREST**

- Book with overview of presentations
- Experiences in poster format
- Presentations | Initiatives of the Inclusion cornerstone
- Presentations | Initiatives of the Innovation cornerstone
- Presentations | Initiatives of the Tradition cornerstone











**The city of Curitiba** took the baton from Andong and invited all member cities to take part in the 17th International Congress of Educating Cities, to be held in 2024.



# EDUCATING CITIES AWARD



The Educating Cities Award, which is handed out every two years, is the highest recognition given by the International Association of Educating Cities to successful innovative experiences with measurable results of their impact on improving the living conditions of citizens, in keeping with the principles of the Charter of Educating Cities. The Award sets out to recognise and give international visibility to the work of member cities, as well as to highlight best practices that can be a source of inspiration for other cities in the construction of more educating environments.

The fourth edition of the Educating Cities Award focused on best practices that promote care, understood in the broadest of terms. An

international jury selected the three winning initiatives and the seven finalists from a total of sixty-five entries from fifty-three cities in seven countries and on three continents. The award ceremony took place during the 16th International Congress of Educating Cities in Andong.

The award-winning initiatives and the finalists all underline the importance of implementing local initiatives that respond to care needs, foster healthy and respectful lifestyles of biodiversity, bolster community ties, highlight the importance of promoting a life cycle and gender perspective, and foster educational aspects regarding co-responsibility and interdependence.

## WINNING EXPERIENCES



### **BARCELONA** **Climate Shelters at Schools**

The idea is to transform Barcelona's schools into healthy spaces by incorporating vegetation, shade and water sources.



### **LOURES** **Rivers with Life**

Under the tagline 'giving rivers back to the people', the project makes the connection between the past and the future of water, showing the population the region's natural wealth and the regeneration work being carried out in rivers with a view to fostering active citizenship to protect them.



### **HORIZONTE** **Embroidering Resistance: Female Embroiders in Alto Alegre**

A group of female Quilombola (Afro-Brazilian) embroiders which uses art as a tool for empowerment, inclusion and autonomy.



## FINALISTS EXPERIENCES



### ESPOSENDE Generation S – Food Sustainability Programme

Food sustainability plan that sets out to foster a change in attitudes and behaviours in the face of today's global challenges.



### SANTO ANDRÉ EMEA/ PARQUE ESCOLA: Municipal School of Environmental Education

School that offers activities so that citizens can learn ways of living in the city in a sustainable way and integrated with the environment.



### VILLA CARLOS PAZ Co-Caring in Carlos Paz: the Right to Care in Equality from Municipal Community Management

The project helps bridge gender gaps and other gaps so that people in their different life cycles can access care and development, managing care integrally with a community and equitable sense.



### SÃO PAULO There is a Way Out

Project that sets out to achieve financial independence for women who are experiencing situations of gender-based violence, supporting them to get a job that lets them become financially independent.



### MISLATA Inclusive Playgrounds: Co-Educational Playgrounds

School spaces for harmonious living, which do not exclude students based on age, sex or gender expression.



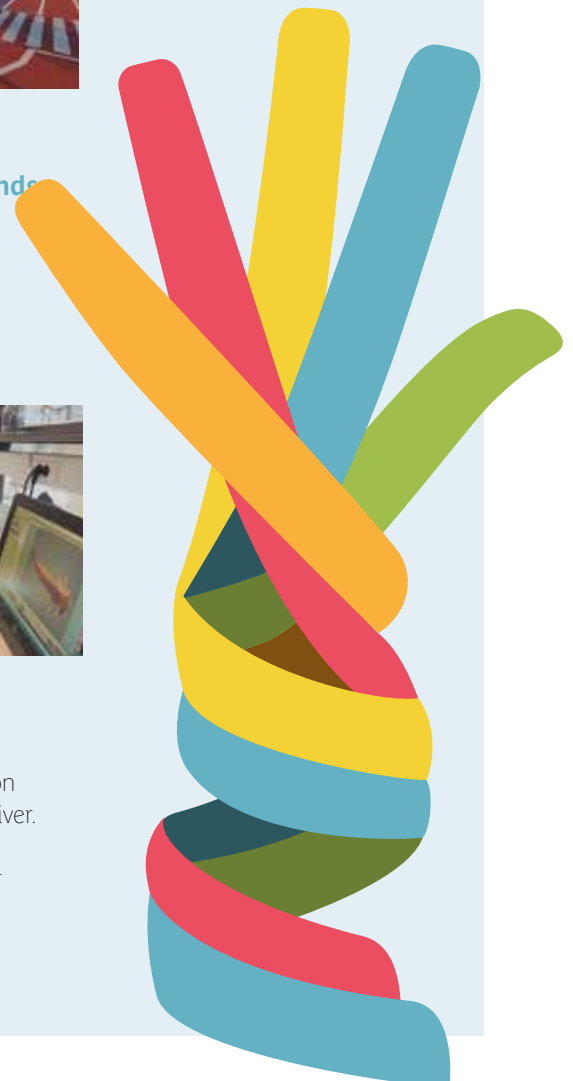
### ROSARIO Together, we make the economy

Educational programme aimed at female entrepreneurs from the social, solidarity and popular economy, to whom the city provides educational tools, technical assistance and/or marketing advice



### QUIMARÃES The Ave for Everyone

The project promotes citizen participation in the conservation and improvement of the Ave River. It uses a multidisciplinary and dynamic approach to empower the city's inhabitants when it comes to managing water resources.







## INTERNATIONAL DAY OF THE EDUCATING CITY 2023

### “The Educating City is a city of peace and opportunities”

The seventh edition of the International Day of the Educating City took place on 30 November with the tagline “The Educating City is a city of peace and opportunities”.

This dynamic and participatory celebration set out to mobilise all the social agents of Educating Cities and pool efforts to foster peace, harmonious living, solidarity and inclusion. What is more, it was a unique opportunity to showcase all the opportunities that the city offers in favour of peace, contributing to the generation of new synergies.

This edition encouraged activities to favour a cross-cutting approach between different municipal areas and help reflect on the parallelism between the seeds and the opportunities offered by the city, as well as the importance of cultivating peace and harmonious living. Material was provided to the member cities with the graphic image of the day in poster and audiovisual format, as well as versions for social media posts. A new feature last year saw the cities receive [designs of flowers and doves of peace](#), in addition to the flag, the song and the origami and memory games that had been shared in previous editions.

Member cities were mobilised with numerous activities to commemorate the date, such as:  
Creating murals of flowers and doves; Walks for



peace; Raising the IAEC flag; Conferences and dialogues; Recreational activities; Intergenerational activities; Meetings of cities; Awareness-raising radio programmes and TikToks; Stands on the street;



Suggestion boxes for citizens to give their opinion on the future of the city; Awards and recognitions to educating agents Itineraries and guided tours; Projection of photographs on the actions of the Educating City; Youth parliaments; Institutional declarations; Workshops; Illumination of municipal facades; "Human logos"; Student forums Itineraries or maps of projects aligned with the principles of the Charter, and many others.

Delegated President, a speech by the author and researcher Valerie Hannon, and the presentation of good practices in favour of peace and opportunities creation by Munich and Sant Boi de Llobregat.

We appreciate the participation of all the cities that joined the celebrations and we hope to see everyone again in future editions!

The IAEC organised [an event launch on 29 November](#), with the participation of the entity's









# 176 cities

celebrated the 2022  
international day  
of the educating city



 VIDEO  
SUMMARY OF THE  
CELEBRATION

ACTIVITIES  
PROGRAMMED IN  
EACH CITY

 VIDEOS MADE  
BY CITIES

# BANK OF EXPERIENCES

Online platform to share experiences, generate inspiration and foster cooperation between cities.

## WHAT IS IT?

An [online platform](#) to showcase innovative actions on how Educating Cities work to improve their environments, placing education at the heart of their policies.

## WHAT DOES IT PROVIDE?

- The opportunity to share learning, generate inspiration and foster cooperation between cities.
- Original solutions to social and urban challenges based on criteria of innovation, transferability, relevance and transformative impact, taking the principles of the Charter of Educating Cities as a framework.
- Recognition and a platform for Educating Cities to make their work known.
- Social media posts.
- Presentation in IAEC publications: themed monographs, newsletters and focus experiences.
- Descriptions in reports and collaborations with other international organisations.
- Announcements at meetings attended by the IAEC.

## HOW DOES IT WORK?

- Web directory with search categories (by geographical area, description or keyword.)
- Available in English, French and Spanish.

In 2022, we published eighteen new experiences in the Educating Cities International Document Bank. They included the initiatives that took part in the 2022 Educating Cities Award. Focus Experiences were also published. The experiences published last year dealt with topics such as the adaptation of cities to climate change, strategies to ensure that citizens enjoy and engage in the care of the rivers and natural resources, and the recovery of ancestral practices to empower groups of women at risk of social exclusion. They also covered important issues

such as food sustainability, the social inclusion of migrants, refugees and people with functional diversity, and strategies to enhance the participation of children and adolescents. What is more, various experiences showcased specific examples of municipal initiatives from various areas to fight gender discrimination in cities. Ever since the IAEC Secretariat has been analysing the experiences sent by cities for various regional meetings and the International Congress, this material has been of great value to continue populating the database.



### FEATURED EXPERIENCE 44 CODEPILLARS CLUB Caguas

The city of Caguas promotes the Codepillars Club project with the aim of encouraging girls to take an interest in professions related to science, technology, engineering and design.



### FEATURED EXPERIENCE 45 GENERACIÓN 5 Esposende

The project, implemented at all schools in Esposende, is based on a food sustainability plan that sets out to foster a change in attitudes and behaviours in the face of today's global challenges.

## Document bank

### WHAT DOES IT CONTAIN?

[References](#) of books, videos, magazine articles, dossiers, conference transcripts, findings from conferences, seminars and congresses, etc. that contribute to theoretical reflection on the educating potential of cities. It currently has more than 160 documents in written or audiovisual format.



# PUBLICATIONS

In 2022, the Secretariat and the networks produced the following publications:



## Newsletter 33

The newsletter included good practices and an interview with the Mayor of Vitoria-Gasteiz. Regarding the good practices, one is a community-based co-creative artistic project (“Community Art Laboratory”) in Sant Boi de Llobregat and, the other, an initiative that puts children and their families at the heart of municipal educational policies (Life Itineraries in the School Setting) in Besançon.



## 16TH INTERNATIONAL CONGRESS OF EDUCATING CITIES DECLARATION

<https://www.edcities.org/declaracion-xvi-congreso-internacional/>



## Fact sheet

Available in Spanish, French, English, Catalan, Korean, Italian and Portuguese  
Print version available on request



## IAEC digital newsletter

## Collaborations with other entities



“Towards the Localisation of the SDGs” report  
IAEC contribution:  
“Localising SDG4”, pp. 85-98



The Charter of Educating Cities:  
30 years later (in Catalan)  
Local education observatory  
Barcelona Provincial Council  
Yearbook 2021

## Videos



Launch event of the 2022  
International Day of the  
Educating City

## Networks



Activity  
report of  
the Latin  
America  
Delegation



Digital  
newsletter  
of the Latin  
America  
Delegation



Annual report  
Spanish Network  
of Educating Cities  
(RECE)  
Coordination  
Period 2020-2022



Publications of the  
themed networks of  
the Spanish Network of  
Educating Cities, 2020-  
2022



## Newsletters of the Portuguese Network

Publication of good practices  
in member cities, opinions,  
reflections and news of interest for  
the Portuguese Network.



Keys to municipal  
educational intervention  
Spanish Network of  
Educating Cities



Report on the  
Meeting of the  
Argentinian  
Network 2022



Newsletter of the Asia-Pacific Network  
Information about the 16th International  
Congress of Educating Cities, as well as the  
main projects of the network in 2022.

- ▶ Video of the Brazil Network – Congress stand
- ▶ Video of the Mexican Network – Congress stand
- ▶ Video of the Latin America Delegation – Congress stand



# LIST OF MEMBER CITIES

## ARGENTINA

Achiras  
Alcira Gigena  
Alejandro Roca  
Armstrong  
Avellaneda  
Buenos Aires  
Bulnes  
Cañada de Gómez  
Ceres  
Cosquín  
El Trébol  
Esquel  
General Alvear  
General Cabrera  
General Deheza  
Godoy Cruz  
Malabrigo  
Malargüe  
Morón  
Pergamino  
Pilar  
Río Cuarto  
Rosario  
San Francisco  
San Justo  
Santa Fe  
Tilisarao  
Totoras  
Venado Tuerto  
Villa Carlos Paz  
Villa Constitución  
Villa Ocampo  
Zárate

## AUSTRALIA

Adelaide

## BELGIUM

Brussels

## BENIN

Djakotomey  
Dogba  
Lokossa

## BOLIVIA

Cochabamba

## BRASIL

Araraquara  
Camargo  
Carazinho  
Curitiba  
Gramado

Guaporé  
Guarulhos  
Horizonte  
Marau  
Mauá  
Monte Horebe  
Nova Petrópolis  
Palmeira  
Passo Fundo  
Porto Alegre  
Raul Soares  
Santiago  
Santo André  
Santos  
São Bernardo do Campo  
São Carlos  
São Gabriel  
São Paulo  
Sarandi  
Soledade  
Vitória de Santo Antão

## COLOMBIA

Manizales  
Medellín  
Neiva  
Sabaneta

## COSTA RICA

San José

## CROATIA

Osijek

## DENMARK

Ishoj

## ECUADOR

Quito

## FINLAND

Espoo  
Tampere

## FRANCE

Angers  
Aurillac  
Barentin  
Besançon  
Bordeaux  
Bourges  
Brest  
Clermont-Ferrand

Dunkerque  
Frontignan  
Grenoble  
Lattes  
Lille  
Limoges  
Lormont  
Nanterre  
Nantes  
Nevers  
Paris  
Poitiers  
Reims  
Rennes  
Saint-Herblain  
Strasbourg  
Toulouse

## GERMANY

Munich

## GREECE

Agia Varvara

## ITALY

Agrigento  
Bologna  
Busto Garolfo  
Genoa  
Ravenna  
Siracusa  
Turin  
Venice  
Vicenza

## MÉXICO

Chihuahua  
Colima  
Guadalupe  
Guanajuato  
León  
Mexico City  
Morelia  
Oaxaca de Juárez  
Playa de Carmen  
Purísima del Rincón  
Salvatierra  
San Cristóbal de Las Casas  
San Pedro Tlaquepaque  
Santa Ana Maya  
Tenango del Valle

## MOROCCO

Rabat

## NEPAL

Bhimeshwor

## PALESTINA

Bethlehem

## PHILIPPINES

Caluya

## POLAND

Katowice

## PORTUGAL

Águeda  
Albufeira  
Alcochete  
Alenquer  
Alfândega da Fé  
Almada  
Almodôvar  
Amadora  
Anadia  
Angra do Heroísmo  
Arruda dos Vinhos  
Azambuja  
Barcelos  
Barreiro  
Benavente  
Braga  
Câmara de Lobos  
Cascais  
Chaves  
Coimbra  
Condeixa-A-Nova  
Covilhã  
Entroncamento  
Espinho  
Esposende  
Évora  
Fafe  
Funchal  
Fundão  
Gondomar  
Guarda  
Guimarães  
Horta  
Lagoa – Açores  
Lagoa do Algarve  
Lagos  
Lisbon  
Loulé

Loures  
Lousã  
Lousada  
Macedo de Cavaleiros  
Maia  
Marco de Cavanese  
Matosinhos  
Mealhada  
Miranda do Corvo  
Montijo  
Moura  
Odemira  
Odivelas  
Oeiras  
Oliveira de Azeméis  
Oporto  
Paços de Ferreira  
Palmela  
Pampilhosa da Serra  
Paredes  
Penalva do Castelo  
Peniche  
Pombal  
Ponta Delgada  
Portalegre  
Porto de Mós  
Póvoa de Lanhoso  
Reguengos de Monsaraz  
Rio Maior  
Sacavém  
Santa Maria da Feira  
Santarém  
Santo Tirso  
São João da Madeira  
Sesimbra  
Setúbal  
Sever do Vouga  
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