Report on Activities

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Summary

# Scope

This report contains information on the main activities of the International Association of Educating Cities (IAEC) in 2012. This year it has been our wish to take a step forward by introducing changes to the content and format of this report. We have opted for a briefer report compared to previous years, focussing exclusively on the most significant points of management. Moreover, this Annual Report will be published primarily in digital format.

This document has been prepared with the collaboration of the different networks and delegations, but it is not intended to be an exhaustive narrative of the Association's activities given that each network puts out its own report.

This is an instrument of communication both for the cities who are already members of the Association, and for entities or cities with which the IAEC would like to collaborate in countries in which the IAEC is already or would like to be present.
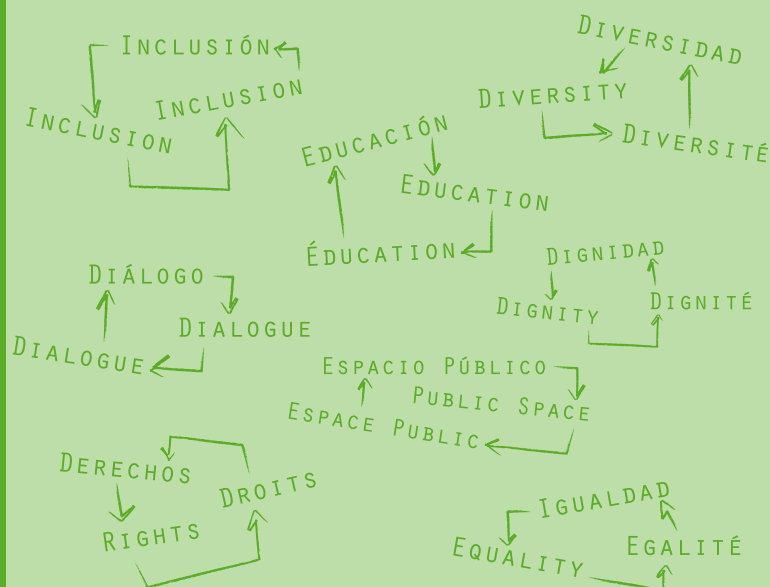
Xavier Trias
Mayor of Barcelona and IAEC President

Prologue

In the difficult context we face, cities more than ever need spaces for dialogue and to learn from each other. Spaces to share ideas, practices and reflection that can give value and meaning to our activities.

That is why it is my pleasure to present the Activities Report of the International Association of Educating Cities (IAEC) for 2012. Because, in a year that has been characterized by the economic-financial crisis and concomitant budget austerity measures, we see that the IAEC is more important than ever to help us optimize our resources and avoid wasted efforts. In 2012 numerous cities have seen their capacity to comply with their commitment to the IAEC weakened, although, in spite of the complicated economic environment, the Association closed the year with 40 new member cities, which brings its membership to a total of 454.

The Declaration resulting from the 12th International Congress of Educating Cities held in Changwon (Republic of Korea) has highlighted the great responsibility that we leaders have both in the local and global environment. Furthermore, through the contributions of experts and the presentation of experiences, we see that the policies and interventions related to the environment are inter-related with social and economic questions.

The International Congress, conferences, training seminars, publications, exhibitions or the expansion and updating of the databank, are some of the main activities carried out during the year.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank each and every member of the General Secretariat, the regional delegations, territorial networks, and, very especially, the members of the Executive Committee and collaborating entities, for their support for the commitment to building better cities through education and for their contribution to achieving these results. I would not wish to ignore the fact that in 2012 there has been a change in the Secretariat of the Association, and express my sincere appreciation for Pilar Figueras for her dedication all these years. Her capacity for hard work and her skill at uniting the efforts of many people has made the IAEC an association that knows no bounds, which continues growing and showing the world a different way of understanding education in the city.

Finally, I would like to point out that at a time when we must redefine our cities' priorities, we cannot forget the importance of the educative processes. The Charter of Educating Cities provides us with a framework of reference for working in a coordinated fashion within our municipalities and invites us to pool our efforts together with civil society.

As long as there are spaces for the citizenry to be able to participate in the design and construction of the Educating City we desire, the possibilities for action and transformation will be more important, the proposals better, the consensus greater, and, indeed, the solutions more sustainable.

Who we are?

Founded in 1994, the International Association of Educating Cities (IAEC) is a non-profit Association, constituted as a permanent collaborative structure uniting local governments committed to the Charter of Educating Cities, which is the road map of the cities that comprise it. Any local government that accepts this commitment can become an active member of the Association, regardless of its administrative powers.

At the 2012 year end, the Association has 454 member cities in 36 countries on all continents.

Objectives

- To proclaim and champion the importance of education in the city.

- To publicise the educative axes of the political projects of the member cities.

- To promote, inspire, foster, and assure compliance with the principles of the Charter of Educating Cities (Declaration of Barcelona) by the member cities, and provide advice and information to the members on fostering and implementing the same.

- To represent the Members in the undertaking of the purposes of the association, in relating to and collaborating with international organisations, states, territorial entities of all kinds, so that the IAEC can be a valid, significant interlocutor in the processes of influencing, negotiating, decision-making and the drafting of documents.

- To establish a relationship and collaboration with other associations, federations, bodies or territorial networks and, especially, with cities, in similar, complementary or competing areas of action.

- To cooperate in all territorial areas within the framework of the purposes of the Association.

- To boost the membership in the Association of the cities of the world.

- To boost the deepening of the Educating City concept and its specific applications to the policies of cities through exchanges, encounters, shared projects, congresses and all types of activities and initiatives that reinforce the links between the member cities, in the area of the bureaus, territorial networks, thematic networks and other bodies.

(Art. 4 IAEC Statutes)

Strategic targets:

The strategic targets for 2011-2014 are:

- To consolidate, expand and strengthen the IAEC.

- To foster collaboration amongst member cities.

- To promote and spread reflection on education as a major factor in local governance.

- To consolidate the existing services and roll out the Association's organisational capacity in order to improve its effectiveness.

Organizational framework

General Assembly

All member cities

Executive Committee

President, Vice-president, Treasury, Secretary, Members

Secretariat

Networks

Regional Bureaus
Territorial Networks
Thematic Networks

General Assembly

The General Assembly is the supreme governing body of the IAEC and is made up of all the member cities.

The General Assembly has, amongst others, the following functions:

a) Election of the President.

b) Election or substitution of the members of the Executive Committee, as per the provisions of these Statutes.

c) Decision or ratification of the new members to and leavers from the IAEC proposed by the Executive Committee.

d) Modification of the statutes of the IAEC and adoption of the Internal Regulations, and other rules pursuant thereto.

e) Adoption of the reports on activities, which are presented by the Executive Committee and monitoring of the undertaking of the same.

f) Adoption of the management of the Executive Committee.

g) Adoption of the action proposals to achieve the objectives of the IAEC, set down in the Action Plan, presented by the Executive Committee.

h) Adoption of the annual dues.

i) Adoption of the profit and loss accounts for the year, and adoption of the budgets and their control.

j) Agreeing to the merger, winding up and liquidation of the IAEC.

k) Agreeing to the association, federation and any other form of union with third parties

l) Adoption of any modification to the system of organisation and functioning of the IAEC, including the change to a federation or confederation.

m) Deciding on whether to declare the Association to be a Public Interest Entity.

(Art. 13, IAEC Statutes)

The General Assembly met in ordinary session in Changwon on 26 April 2012 as part of the 12th International Congress of Educating Cities. 54 member cities attended this meeting.

Executive Committee

The functions of direction, management, execution and representation of the IAEC pertain to the Executive Committee.

Its current composition is as follows:

• President and Secretariat: Barcelona

• Vice-President: Rosario

• Treasurer: Rennes

• Committee Members: Changwon, Granollers, Guadalajara, Katowice, Lisbon, Lokossa, Lomé, Lyon, Sao Paulo, Tampere and Turin.

During 2012, the Executive Committee met in Lyon (20-21 January) and Changwon (25 and 28 April) in the framework of the 12th International Congress.

Secretariat

The Secretariat is responsible, amongst others, for the following:

• The day-to-day operations of the Association.

• Execution of the resolutions of the General Assembly and the Executive Committee.

• Preparation of proposals to the Executive Committee and the General Assembly.

• Providing support to the territorial networks.

• Promoting dialogue and peer-learning amongst member cities.

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Our member cities

At the end of December 2012, the IAEC had 54 member cities in 36 countries. Throughout 2012, 40 cities in 12 countries joined the Association:

France (17):
Auch, Blagnac, Bourg-en-Bresse, Bruges, Evry, Eysines, Graulhet, Guipavas, Kingersheim, Lannion, Lomme, Saint-Jean-de-Védas, Saint-Vallier, Tarnos, Vandoeuvre-lès-Nancy, Villeneuve-d'Ascq and Voiron.

Spain (7):
El Vendrell, La Roda, Molina de Segura, Montmeló, Plasencia, San Fernando and Xàbia.

Republic of Korea (3): Gimhae, Jecheon and Jung-gu.

Argentina (3): Pergamino, Totoras and San Francisco.

Mexico (2): Morelia and Santa Cruz de Xoxocotlán.

Brazil (2): Itapetininga and Vitória.

Costa Rica (1): San José.

Philippines (1): Caluya.

Morroco (1): Rabat.

Nepal (1): Bhimeshwor.

Portugal (1): Setúbal.

Thailand (1): Phuket.

Another 47 cities in 14 countries expressed their interest in joining the Association and have begun the necessary paperwork. At the same time, during this year, 36 cities left the Association either voluntarily or due to a repeated breach of their statutory obligations.

Growth has been moderate but sustained. Of special note is the fact that the Association has taken root in cities in five countries (Costa Rica, Philippines, Morocco, Nepal and Thailand) where it had not been present to date.

Map of member cities by country
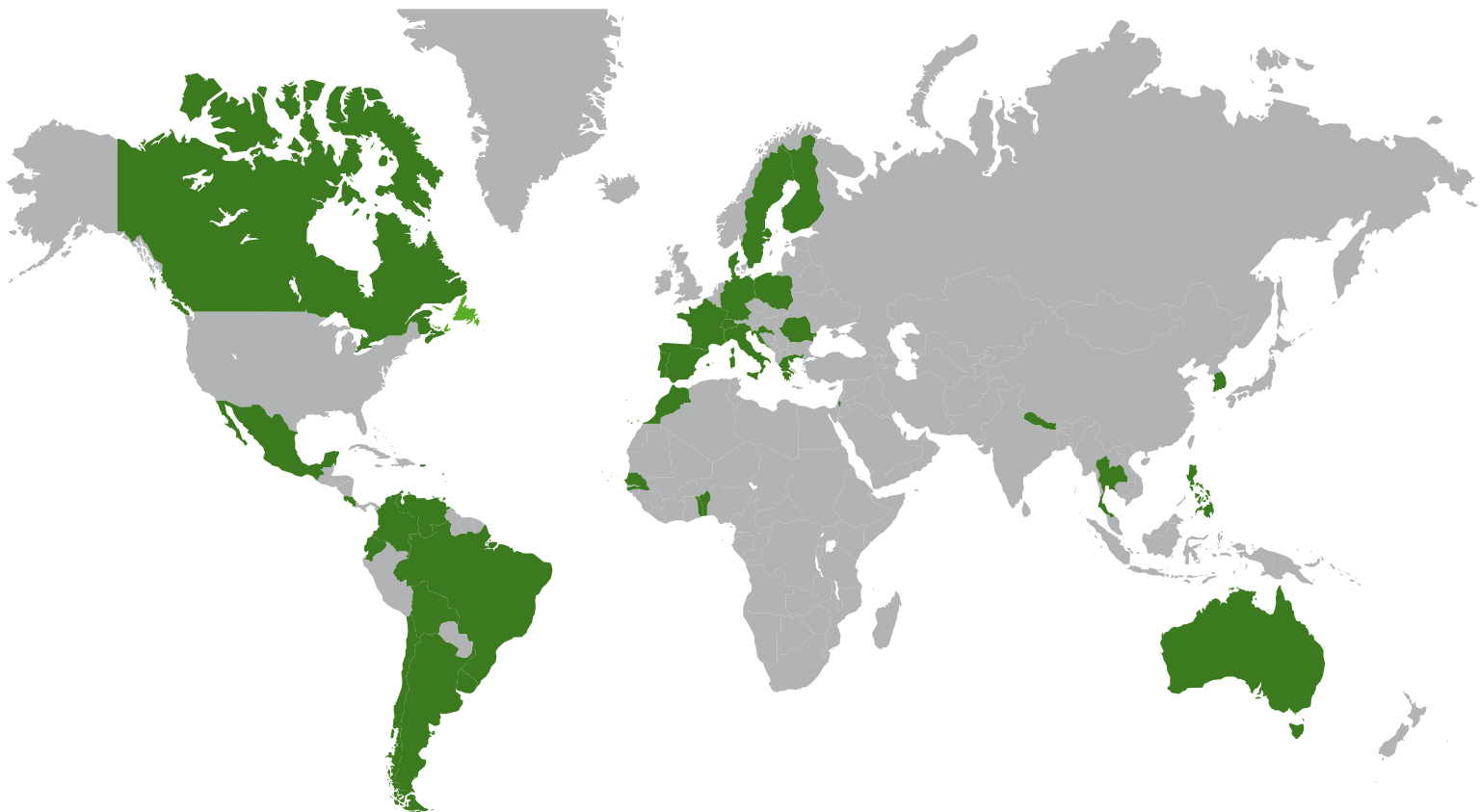
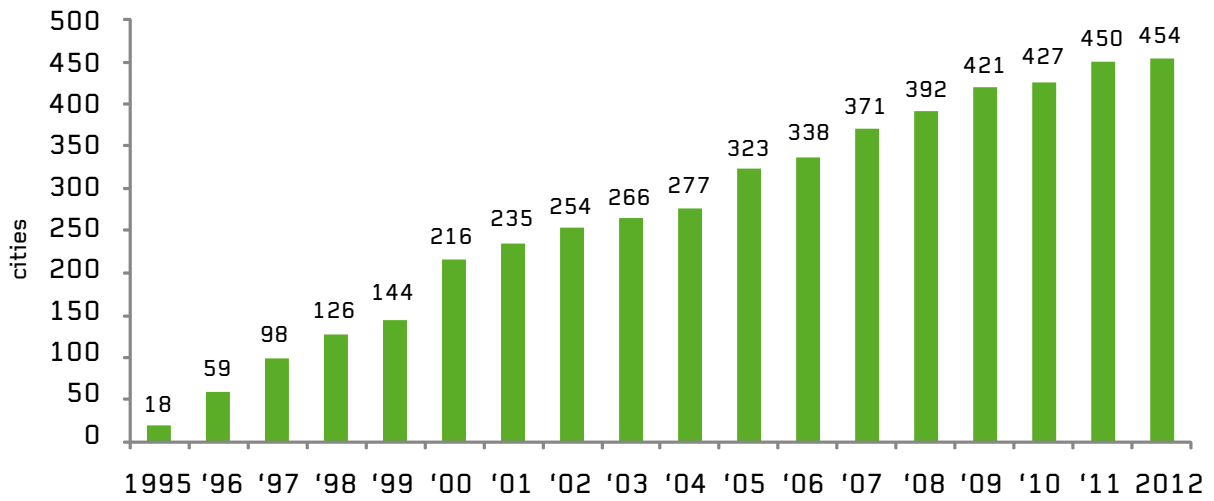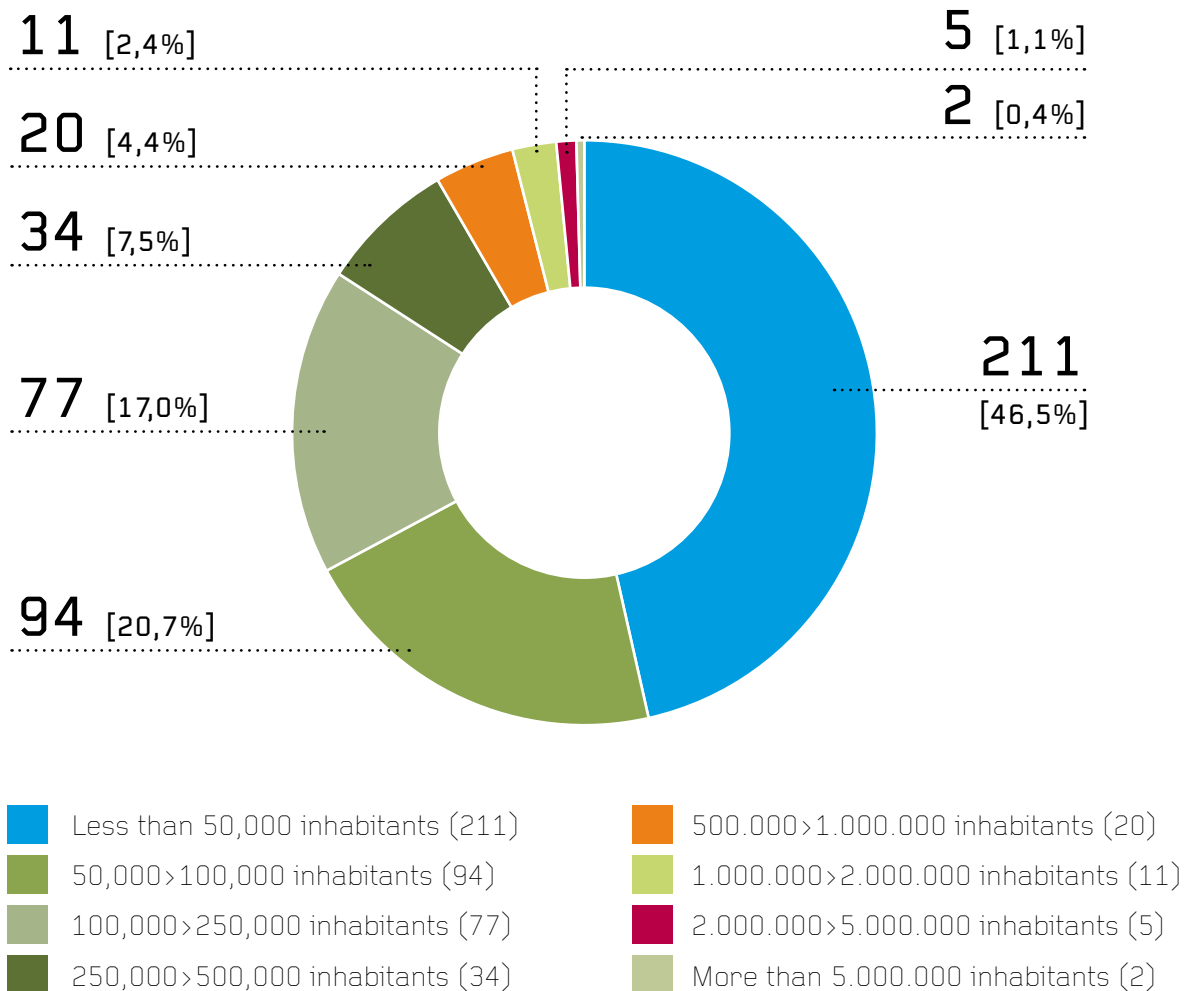| America	Europe	Africa	Asian-Pacific
Argentina (14), Bolivia (1), Brazil (15), Canada (1), Chile (2), Colombia (4), Costa Rica (1), French Overseas Departments (1), Ecuador (1), Mexico (14), Puerto Rico (1), Uruguay (3), Venezuela (1)	Croatia (1), Danemark (1), Finland (3), France (104), Germany (1), Greece (1), Italy (29), Poland (1), Portugal (48), Romania (1), Spain (173), Sweden (1), Switzerland (1)	Benin (1), Cabo Verde (2), Morocco (1), Senegal (1), Togo (1)	Australia (1), Nepal (1), Palestine (1), Philippines (1), Republic of Korea (17), Thailand (1)

Membership Growth (1995-2012)

Year	Cities
1995	18
'96	59
'97	98
'98	126
'99	144
'00	216
'01	235
'02	254
'03	266
'04	277
'05	323
'06	338
'07	371
'08	392
'09	421
'10	427
'11	450
2012	454

Member Cities classified by population

11 [2,4%]

20 [4,4%]

34 [7,5%]

77 [17,0%]

94 [20,7%]

5 [1,1%]

2 [0,4%]

211 [46,5%]

- Less than 50,000 inhabitants (211)
- 50,000 > 100,000 inhabitants (94)
- 100,000 > 250,000 inhabitants (77)
- 250,000 > 500,000 inhabitants (34)
- 500.000 > 1.000.000 inhabitants (20)
- 1.000.000 > 2.000.000 inhabitants (11)
- 2.000.000 > 5.000.000 inhabitants (5)
- More than 5.000.000 inhabitants (2)

Networks

In order to offer a better service to its members, the IAEC promotes the creation of territorial and thematic networks.

The territorial networks are decentralised structures made up of IAEC member cities in a specific territory. For their part, the thematic networks bring together cities interested in working jointly on specific themes either with cities in their own country or in other countries.

The IAEC earmarks approximately one third of its income from dues to supporting the territorial networks and Delegations. Of special note is the fact that different coordinating cities contribute to the operations of the network by providing a properly equipped office and the necessary human resources to operate it dynamically.

The territorial networks foster the expansion and consolidation of the IAEC in the countries and territories where their activities take place. Through the organization of all kinds of activities, the networks reinforce exchanges, cooperation and common projects amongst their members. They are also a space for preparing and putting forward proposals to the Executive Committee or other levels of their respective governments. Within the framework of the territorial networks, collective strategies are developed in order to establish common positions on issues that could have an impact on local policies. Cooperation with other networks of municipalities, institutions or groups with shared interests is also promoted.

Most of the networks are represented on the Executive Committee of the Association either by their coordinating cities or cities in the network. This makes the meetings of the Executive Committee a space for exchanging information, coordination and mutual learning amongst the different networks.

In order to set up new territorial or thematic networks a formal request must be presented to the Executive Committee setting forth the objectives, working method and action plan of the network to be created. Furthermore, a minimum of 5 interested cities is needed, 1 city to take on the coordination with the support of 2 other cities.

Current Networks

At this date, the Association has 7 Territorial Networks and 2 Regional Bureaus operating

- Spanish Network (RECE)
- French Network (RFVE)
- Portuguese Network (RTPCE)
- Latin America Bureau
- Italian Network
- Central European Bureau
- Asia-Pacific Network
- Brazilian Network
- Mexican Network (REMCE)

Existing Networks

Spanish Network (RECE):

- Number of member cities: 177.

- Coordinating City: Gandia (May 2011-October 2013).

- Monitoring Committee: Alcalá de Guadaíra, Avilés, Barcelona, Donostia-San Sebastián, Gandia, Gijón, Murcia and Rivas-Vaciamadrid.

Thematic networks of the RECE operating during the reporting period:

- School-leaving during compulsory school age (coordinator: Seville).

- Learning-service as a tool of territorial cohesion (coordinator: Avilés).

- Participation and civic training for children and adolescents in educating cities (coordinator Rivas-Vaciamadrid).

- Technological resources for educational activities in the city: mobile units and virtual social networks (coordinator: Barcelona).

- Returning to training and vocational training in the municipality (coordinator: Alcalá de Guadaíra).

French Network (RFVE):

- Number of member cities: 103.

- President of the Network: Lyon.

- Network Committee: Vice-Presidents (Rennes, Grenoble and Brest), Treasurer (Tournefeuille), Assistant Treasurer (Toulouse), Secretariat (Pessac), Members (Angers, Aubagne, Belfort, Dijon, Strasbourg, Lille, Paris, Nanterre, Nantes, Nevers, Pont de Claix, Schiltigheim, Villeurbanne and Vitrolles).

Portuguese Network (RTPCE):

- Number of member cities: 48.

- Coordinating Committee: Albufeira, Almada, Braga, Évora, Lisbon, Paredes and Santa Maria da Feira.

The following thematic groups were set up in 2012:

- Local Education Project (coordinator: Azambuja).

- Consumer Education (coordinator: Évora).

- City Safety (coordinator: Lisbon).

- Volunteering (coordinator: Santa Maria de Feira).

Italian Network:

- Member cities: 29.

- Coordinating City: Turin.

Asia-Pacific Network:

- Member cities: 22.

- Coordinating City: Changwon.

- Coordinating Committee: Gunsan and Suseong.

Brazilian Network:

- Member cities: 15.
- Coordinating City: Sorocaba.

Mexican Network (REMCE):

- Member cities: 14.

- President: Guadalajara.

- Executive Committee: Ciudad Victoria, Cozumel, Guadalajara, León and Tepeaca de Negrete.

Latin American Delegation:

- Member cities: 56 cities in 11 countries.

- Head Office: Rosario.

Thematic groups were set up in 2012:

- Environmental education for sustainability (coordinators: Pergamino).

- Sustainable, safe mobility (coordinator: Quito).

- Local policies for socio-educative inclusion of youth (coordinator: General Alvear).

- Public policies for Sexual Diversity (coordinators: Medellín and Rosario).

- Prevention of violence against women (coordinator: Caguas).

Central European Delegation:

- Member cities: 4 in 4 countries.

- Head Office: Katowice.

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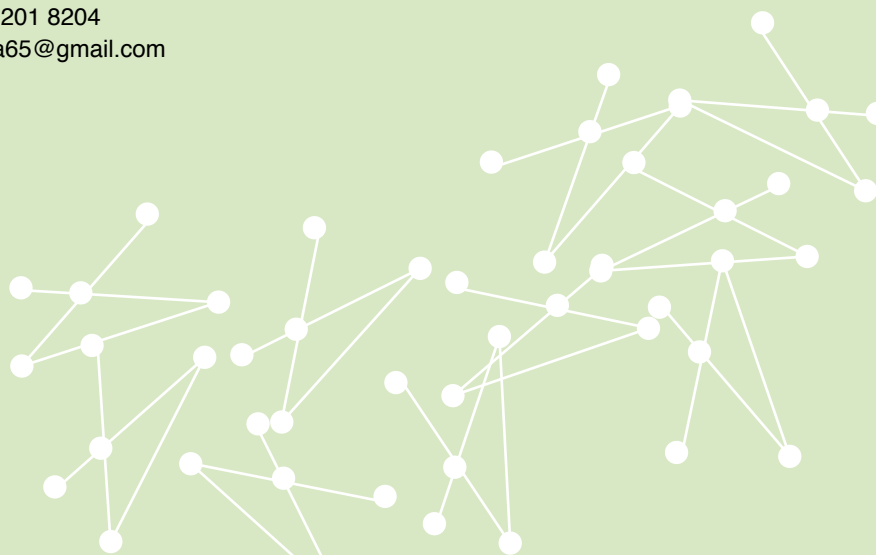
The International Congresses of the Association

The International Congresses take place every two years and constitute a key moment in the life of the Association. They are the culmination of sustained, continuous work of the cities and the networks.

They constitute an opportunity to delve deeper into one or several specific aspects of the Charter of Educating Cities and disseminate, contrast and exchange best practices. Furthermore, they are a unique framework in which cities learn from each other and facilitate the establishment of new contacts and future collaboration. The knowledge of the initiatives of the city that hosts the Congress and the contact with local actants are other relevant elements on the agenda.

The organization of the International Congresses of the IAEC is reserved exclusively to member cities.

The 12th International Congress of Educating Cities

2,000 people attended the 12th International Congress of Educating Cities "Green Environment and Creative Education" that took place in Changwon (Republic of Korea) from 26 to 28 April 2012.

Representatives from 54 member cities in 17 countries and another 298 cities in 25 countries, experts, professionals and members of different international organisations and civil society participated in this congress, held for the first time in Asia.

The theme of the 12th Congress was structured into 3 parts:

• Policies, green urban planning and sustainable infrastructures in Educating Cities.

• Inclusive governance, social justice, community empowerment and training in Educating Cities.

• Ecological Economy, Eco-work and Green Systems and Technologies in Educating Cities.

The 3 plenary speeches were given by the former minister of Education of the Republic of Korea, Mr. Shinil Kim, Doctor in Socio-ecology and Biology, Mr. Ramón Folch, and the town-planner of the Institute of Technology Unitec of Auckland (New Zealand), Mr. Dushko Bogunovich.

Also of special note was the round table moderated by the City Councillor for the Environment of the city of Melbourne (Australia) and coordinator of the ICLEI in Oceania, Ms. Cathy Oke, in which the Mayor of Changwon, Mr. Park Wan Su, the Mayor of Phuket (Thailand), Ms. Somjai Suwansupana, and the Deputy Mayor of Tampere (Finland), Mr. Olli-Poika Parviainen, participated.

The presentation of more than 120 experiences at 18 thematic workshops and the visit to different educating experiences in Changwon were other important moments of the Congress.

The 13th International Congress of Educating Cities

The Executive Committee studied 5 candidacies for the organisation of the 13th International Congress of Educating Cities and selected Barcelona to host the 13th Congress, which will take place from 13 to 15 November 2014.

Based on the theme "The Educating City is an Inclusive City", the Congress will centre its attention on the adaptation of the municipal services to the new forms of social exclusion, the fostering of administrative coordination for integrated care, promoting the autonomy of the individual, improving employability and job-finding, fostering access to housing and reinforcing social capital.

At the end of 2012, the Organising Committee and the Scientific Committee of the 2014 Congress had already been set up.

XIII Congrés Internacional de Ciutats Educadores 2014
Barcelona 13-14-15 novembre
XIII Congreso Internacional de Ciudades Educadoras 2014
Barcelona 13-14-15 noviembre
13th International Congress of Educating Cities 2014
13-14-15 November Barcelona
XIIIe Congrès International des Villes Educatrices 2014
13-14-15 Novembre Barcelone
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Declaration of Changwon

Based on the Educating Cities Charter, the principles resulting from the Earth Summit (Rio de Janeiro, 1992), and the Objectives of the UN Decade of Education for Sustainable Development, participants of this Congress declare that Educating Cities should be committed to the following principles:

· Educating Cities must make conscious efforts to transform perspectives and ways of thinking and living into ones that are more harmonious and respectful of nature. That change would require creative education to foster people's critical understanding and keen awareness of general interests and the common good, of solidarity, of culture, and of the environment.

· Educating Cities must work to change the ways cities are governed; to update city infrastructures by applying sustainable criteria; to devise effective policies on public space, eco-mobility and biodiversity; and to develop cooperative actions for sustainable urban living.

· Educating Cities must encourage more actions taken and increase communication channels in order to develop an exchange of good practices and put into place strategic plans for urban sustainability in the areas of transportation, tourism, energy, and urban agriculture as well as architecture and design. Furthermore, Educating Cities must anticipate the necessary changes, taking into consideration the causes and consequences of climate change and focusing on solutions to it.

· Educating Cities must move towards democratic, inclusive and ecological governance which supports citizen participation and coexistence. Educating Cities must seek an integrated networking of social values, and provide creative education for citizens to take the necessary steps towards sustainable development and to increase awareness that sustainable living is important, desirable, and achievable. Urban policies and programs must encourage equity and equal opportunities, regardless of gender, ethnic or cultural origins, social-economic status, religion or physical condition.

· Educating Cities must stimulate creative education within the context of lifelong education. They must create innovative educational mechanisms which go beyond the conventional, school-based educational system, and embrace education in the city at large, where urban space becomes a lifelong learning centre and a base for the creative, communicative, and critical practice of education. As a flexible, enriching open space, the city offers a means to put into practice the importance of a sustainable environment, cultural diversity, and social justice.

This Congress has stressed the notion that the changes for a sustainable environment must occur in, by and for the Educating City. Creative education is absolutely necessary in this course of changes, transformations, and innovations. A citizenry that is responsible, participatory, communicative, creative, and aware plays an active role in co-building the sustainable city.

Educating Cities agree to jointly put these principles into practice in order to achieve cohesion and solidarity among human beings as well as their harmonious coexistence with nature.

Changwon, April 2012

Conferences, seminars, meetings

Training Seminar on "Educating City and Local Governance"

In an interdependent, globalised world in which new challenges are constantly emerging, new more creative, participatory and coordinated forms of working together are needed. In this context, cities need to have access to information on successful practices from other cities and to spaces for dialogue and peer-learning opportunities.

That is why, the IAEC, through its networks, is driving forward the organisation of in-person conferences, seminars and meetings. These meetings allow for the dissemination and exchange of experiences, and can give rise to joint projects with cities with similar priorities or challenges. Moreover, they facilitate the optimization of resources and avoid the dispersion of efforts since they allow cities to learn from each other. The IAEC is also working so that the educative component promoted by the IAEC is present in the different areas of political action and so that education in its broadest sense is incorporated into the proposals for cooperation and solidarity.

Furthermore, the network meetings are a unique platform for carrying out preliminary work for the International Congresses and publicising their results.

In 2012 several member cities have hosted conferences and meetings of the various territorial networks.

Thus, for example, the General Assembly of the French Network was held in Dijon (29-30 June). For its part, Palmela (30 March) and Évora (19 October) hosted meetings of the Portuguese Network. In turn, the 4th Conference of the Asia-Pacific Network was held in Gwangju (16-17 October) while the Central European Bureau co-organised an International Conference for the inclusion of the hearing impaired in Katowice (1-2 October). Finally, the city that houses the head office of the Latin American Bureau, Rosario, hosted a Meeting of Argentinean Cities (14 September) in which 30 cities participated to study the feasibility of creating an Argentine territorial network.

Other member cities also hosted meetings of steering committees of different territorial networks and working sessions of the thematic networks.

Through the Seminar "Educating City and Local Governance", the IAEC intends to raise awareness on the educating potential of the policies implemented by the different areas and municipal services and foster the planning of transversal local policies and the establishment of collaboration between local governments and civil society.

This seminar is divided into 3 sections.

The first session is internal for top level politicians, departments, services, agencies and municipal companies.

The second session, open to the city, includes the participation of representatives of civil society.

Both sessions have a dual character: training and prospection. They are training-oriented in the concept of the Educating City and prospective with regards to exploring and discovering the educating potential of the different areas and services of the city, as well as analysing the potential for collaboration amongst the different urban actants who share the principles of the Charter of Educating Cities. The sessions comprise an introductory lecture and a workshop.

A third session is held with the IAEC team and the City Council Staff in order to evaluate the workshops held and to agree on a small number of possible activities (new relations or forms of organization, future projects, etc.) to be implemented, started up or promoted (within a relatively short period of 6 months) by the municipal government.

The Seminar took place in 2012 in the city of Paysandú –Uruguay- (11-12 June) and in Morón (14-15 June) and Rosario (12-13 September), Argentina, and has received the support of the Spanish Agency for International Development Cooperation (AECID).

Educating Cities International Documents Databank (BIDCE)

The IAEC has fostered since the beginning the creation of spaces and tools so that the cities can share models of action and best practices and learn from each other. It has also valued highly the compilation of materials discussing and sustaining these practices.

To date the BIDCE is made up of an Experiences Bank and a documentary Database that can be consulted freely via Internet and which stores a large amount of organized, cross-related information.

The Experiences Bank contains information on more than 1,000 initiatives, which illustrate different concretions of the principles of the Charter of Educating Cities, which can be consulted in the three official languages of the Association: Spanish, French and English.

"A dynamic databank that is constantly growing and being revised"

In 2012 52 new innovative experiences capable of being adapted and started up by other cities were published.

As a complement to consulting the Bank, the Secretariat periodically publishes best practices of different member cities, either by e-mail, in a format called "Focus Experiences" or through other publications such as the monographs or the bulletins.

"Innovation, Effectiveness, Transferability, Diversity and Plurality are the criteria that are prioritised when selecting experiences"

• Experiences that have involved positive urban and social transformations to the benefit of the citizenry.

• Innovative experiences that contribute added value or something new in relation to existing experiences in the bank.

• Experiences that can be replicated and/or adapted by other cities.

• Experiences from all areas of local political action.

• Experiences that illustrate the diversity of the cities that make up the Association.

The Documents Bank contains references of books, videos, magazine articles, dossiers, transcription of lectures, conclusions of conferences, seminars, congresses, etc. that contribute to theoretical reflection on the educating potential of the cities. At this time it has approximately 150 documents in written or audio-visual format.

Communication

The IAEC provides its members with various channels of dialogue and communication that guarantee that their activities are known by the other member cities and that their concerns are duly dealt with and included in the day-to-day management of the Association.

New publications
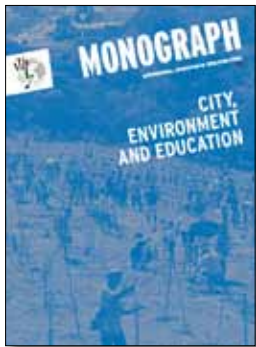
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Discussion Folder "The Environmental Problem for Educating Cities"

Bulletin 18 of the Portuguese Network

Bulletin 19 of the Portuguese Network

In order to make the Charter of Educating Cities and the activities of the Association and the different territorial networks and regional delegation know, all types of presentation and dissemination materials have been published.

On-line communication

In 2012, work began on conceptualising and designing a new portal for the Association that would be more intuitive, appealing and user-friendly and that would include the latest technological advances.

Of special note as well is the fact that the Latin American Delegation has a new website:

www.ciudadeseducadorasla.org

On the other hand, the IAEC and the territorial networks have progressed in the use of interactive tools as are the social networks, content-broadcasting portals such as YouTube, Dailymotion or Issuu, electronic bulletins, on-line collaborative working spaces or thematic blogs. This facilitates working in a network, facilitating exchanges and allowing access to a large volume of content in different formats.

The "Educating Cities: Local Actions, Global Values" Exhibition

In light of the satisfactory results obtained during the pilot stage (2009-2010) of the travelling exhibition entitled "Educating Cities: Local Actions Global Values" new financing was sought. After receiving the financial support from the Spanish Agency for International Development Cooperation (AECID), 6 new cities (Gandia, Lisbon, Paysandú, Praia, Rosario and Sorocaba) were invited to take pàrt in a second exhibition.
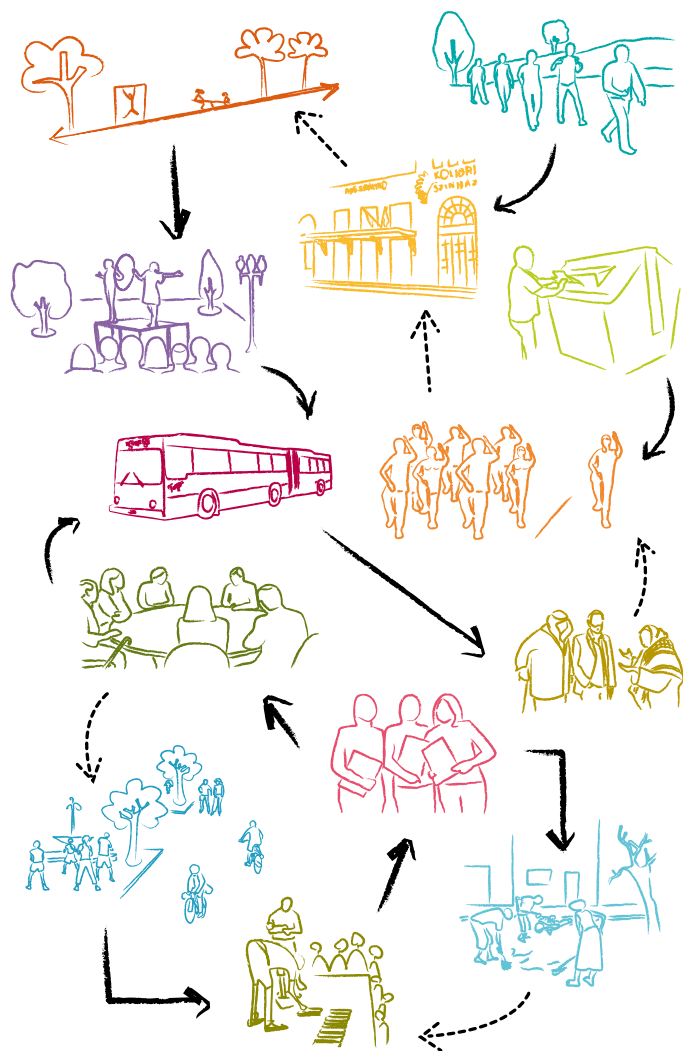
The objectives of this Exhibition are:

- to facilitate awareness of the educative potential of our cities,

- to publicise experiences of member cities that illustrate different applications of the Charter of Educating Cities;

- to publicise their commitment to education in the broad sense of the word;

- and to establish new forms of cooperation amongst the member cities.

Health and Culture are the issues that constitute the shared nexus of the experiences that will be exhibited in the second exhibition:

- Paysandú: Access to culture.

- Sorocaba: Fostering health.

- Rosario: Urban hygiene and caring for the environment.

- Praia: Democratisation of sport.

- Lisbon: Training municipal workers.

- Gandía: University for the elderly.

And this in addition to a project from Tampere (Finland) promoting social cohesion through information technologies that act as a link between the experiences of the first edition and the second one.

The cities of Paysandú (Uruguay) and Rosario (Argentina) hosted the exhibition in 2012 and the other cities putting on the exhibition will host it in 2013.

Personalised attention

The Association and its networks open channels of dialogue in order to offer personalised attention to its members and be able to respond to their concerns and needs.

Thus, the establishment of contacts is fostered between the member cities and there is collaboration in the organisation of study visits in order to favour on-the-ground knowledge of key projects. Furthermore, after elections, advice and support is provided to the new municipal teams with regards to compliance with the principles of the Charter of Educating Cities. Support and advice is also provided to those cities that wish to join the Association or which have joined recently.

Collaboration with other organisations

In order to comply with the Action Plan adopted by the General Assembly, the IAEC collaborates with other organisations or institutions with similar or coinciding interests in the organisation of meetings and joint projects.

List of member cities

A

A Coruña
Adeje
Adelaide
Agia Varvara
Águeda
Alaquas
Albacete
Albufeira
Alcalá de Guadaira
Alcalá de Henares
Alcázar de San Juan
Alcobendas
Alcoi
Alella
Algete
Almada
Alzira
Amadora
Andong
Angers
Arezzo
Arganda del Rey
Argenteuil
Argentona
Artigues-prés-Bordeaux
Aubagne
Auch
Aurillac
Ávila
Avilés
Azambuja
Azuaga

B

Badalona
Banyoles
Barakaldo
Barberà del Vallès
Barcelona
Barcelos
Barreiro
Bassens
Bayonne
Belfort
Bellegarde-sur-Valserine
Belo Horizonte
Benetússer
Berga
Besançon
Betanzos
Bethlehem
Bhimeshwor
Bilbao
Blagnac
Boadilla del Monte
Bolaños de Calatrava
Bologna
Bourg-en-Bresse
Bourges
Braga
Brandizzo
Brescia
Brest
Brolo
Bruges
Burgos
Busto Garolfo

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Caen
Caguas
Caluya
Câmara de Lobos
Camargo
Cambrils
Campo Novo do Parecis
Cañada de Gómez
Canovelles
Casalecchio di Reno
Cascais
Castelfiorentino
Castellar del Vallès
Castelldefels
Caxias do Sul
Ceccano

Cerdanyola del Vallès
Cergy
Ceuta
Chacao
Chambery
Chanwgon City
Chaves
Chelles
Chiclana de la Frontera
Cieza
Ciudad Real
Ciutadella de Menorca
Clermont-Ferrand
Clichy-sous-Bois
Coimbra
Collegno
Colmenar Viejo
Colomiers
Cordova
Cornellà de Llobregat
Cozumel
Cubelles
Cuenca

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Dakar
Dalseo
Décines-Charpieu
Dieppe
Dijon
Domène
Donostia - San Sebastián
Dourados
Dunkerque

E

Ecatepec de Morelos
Échirolles
Écija
Eivissa
Ejea de los Caballeros
El Prat de Llobregat
El Vendrell
Éragny-sur-Oise
Esplugues de Llobregat
Espoo
Esposende
Esquel
Estella-Lizarra
Évora
Evry
Eysines

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Ferreries
Ferrol
Feyzin
Figueres
Foggia
Fontaine
Frontignan
Fuenlabrada

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Gavà
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General Alvear
Geneva
Genoa
Geochang
Getafe
Gijón
Gimhae
Girona
Gothenburg
Granada
Grândola
Granollers
Graulhet
Grenoble
Guadalajara
Guadalupe
Guadix

Guanajuato
Guarda
Guatapé
Guipavas
Gumi
Gunsan
Guyancourt
Gwangju Metropolitan City

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Hadong
Helsinki

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Ibi
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Igualada
Illkirch-Graffenstaden
Ishoj
Isla Mujeres
Itapetininga

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Jincheon

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Katowice
Kingersheim

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La Chapelle-sur-Erdre
La Ciotat
La Garriga
La Rochelle
La Roche-sur-Yon
La Roda
La Spezia
Lamentin (Guadalupe)
Lannion
Las Palmas de Gran Canaria
Le Kremlin Bicêtre
Leiria
León
L'Hospitalet de Llobregat
Lille
Limoges
Lisbon
Lleida
Logroño
Lokossa
Lome
Lomme
Lorca
Lorient
Lormont
Los Corrales de Buelna
Loulé
Loures
Lucena
Lugo
Lyon

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Madrid
Mainvilliers
Majadahonda
Málaga
Malargüe
Manizales
Manresa
Maó
Maracena
Mataró
Medellín
Melilla
Mendoza
Mérida
México D.F.
Meyzieu

Miranda do Corvo
Mislata
Molina de Segura
Molins de Rei
Mollet del Vallès
Montcada i Reixac
Montevideo
Montilla
Montmeló
Montpellier
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Orly
Osijek
Ourense
Oviedo

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Padua
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Palafrugell
Palamós
Palma
Palma del Río
Palmela
Pamplona
Paredes
Parets del Vallès
Paris
Pau
Paysandú
Peligros
Pergamino
Perpignan
Peschiera Borromeo
Pessac
Phuket
Pilar
Pinto
Plasencia
Playa del Carmen
Poissy
Poitiers
Pombal
Pomigliano-d'Arco
Pont de Claix
Pontevedra
Pordenone
Portimão
Porto Alegre
Portogruaro
Pozuelo de Alarcón
Praia
Pré-Saint-Gervais
Premià de Mar
Puerto Real
Puertollano
Punta Umbría
Purranque

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Quart de Poblet
Quebec
Quimper

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Rabat
Ravenna
Rennes
Reus
Rezé
Ribeira Grande
Rillieux-la-Pape
Rio Maior
Rivas-Vaciamadrid
Rivoli
Rochefort
Romans-sur-Isère
Rome
Roquetas de Mar
Rosario
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Sacavem
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Saint-Jean-de-Védas
Saintes
Saint-Étienne
Saint-Étienne-du-Rouvray
Saint-Herblain
Saint-Jacques-de-la-Lande
Saint-Jean
Saint-Nazaire
Saint-Priest
Saint-Vallier
Salou
Salt
San Bartolomé de Tirajana
San Fernando
San Fernando de Henares
San Francisco
San José
San Pedro del Pinatar
Sant Adrià de Besós
Sant Boi de Llobregat
Sant Cugat del Vallès
Sant Feliu de Llobregat
Sant Joan d'Alacant
Sant Joan Despí
Sant Just Desvern
Sant Quirze del Vallès
Santa Coloma de Cervelló
Santa Coloma de Farners
Santa Coloma de Gramenet
Santa Cruz de la Sierra
Santa Cruz de Tenerife
Santa Cruz de Xoxocotlán
Santa Maria da Feira
Santarém
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Santo André
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São Bernardo do Campo
São Carlos
São João da Madeira
São Paulo
Satu Mare
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Strasbourg
Suncheon City
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Tampere
Tarancón
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Tarnos
Tarragona
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Torelló
Torralba de Calatrava
Torrent
Torres Novas
Torres Vedras
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Vila Franca de Xira
Vila Nova de Famalicão
Vila Real
Viladecans
Viladecavalls
Vilafranca del Penedès
Vilanova i la Geltrú
Vila-Real
Villa Constitución
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Villena
Villeneuve d'Asq
Villeurbanne
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Vitória
Vitoria - Gasteiz
Vitrolles
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