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## UCLG COMMITTEES AND WORKING GROUPS

# UCLG COMMITTEE ON DEVELOPMENT COOPERATION AND CITY DIPLOMACY

Approval of the creation of the new committee in Mexico City

## CIRCULAR 1

Dear members,

As announced in previous communications of the Decentralized Cooperation Committee and the City Diplomacy Committee, there have been discussions about the possible merger into the Development Cooperation and City Diplomacy Committee, which also addresses the promotion of the MDGs.

We are pleased to inform you that in Mexico City, after careful consideration the creation of this new committee was approved in the Decentralized Cooperation Committee meeting and adopted in the Executive Bureau on 17 November 2010. The new committee will be co-chaired by the mayor of Lyon and the president of the Association of Netherlands Municipalities (and mayor of Almere). Secretarial support will be provided by the city of Lyon, FCM and VNG International, in close coordination with the Capacity and Institution Building Working Group. Currently, the Vice-Presidency is being identified for various regions. The Federation of Canadian Municipalities, one of the already identified vice-presidents, will be responsible for the development of the Policy Paper on Development Cooperation and Local Government. Please find attached a letter of the Chairs with more detailed information of the merger.

If you have any questions, you can contact Ms Valerie de Rosa at [vderosa@grandlyon.org](mailto:vderosa@grandlyon.org), +33 426 99 34 74.

We look forward to your active contributions within this new Committee.

Kind regards,

**The World Secretariat**

on behalf of the UCLG Committee on Development Cooperation and City Diplomacy