Strong call for culture in the development debate on all levels during UCLG World Summit in Rabat

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The UCLG Committee on Culture has gathered in a document all the debates on culture that took place in Rabat, in the framework of the World Summit of Local and Regional Leaders. “Culture”, “is identity, heritage, creativity, diversity, wellbeing and knowledge” the Mayors said.

The document includes the message of Catherine Cullen, President of the Committee on Culture, to the General Assembly of UCLG; the cultural messages of the Global Taskforce of Local & Regional Governments for Post-2015 towards Habitat III; the contents of the parallel session “Culture in sustainable development”; the “International Award UCLG – City of Mexico – Culture 21”; the speech of King Mohammed VI; the speech of Mr. Francesco Bandarin, UNESCO’s Assistant Director-General for Culture; the report of our activities during the period 2011-2013, the advocacy document #Culture2015Goal (written by four global cultural networks), and the Declaration of Rabat.

The Final Declaration of the Summit recognizes the need to bring innovate changes, to achieve more just societies by reinforcing governance from the bottom up, under the leadership of inclusive local and regional governments. The outcomes of this Congress further celebrate diversity and call for equality and inclusion, with culture and decent jobs as crucial components of resilient sustainable societies.

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