



- Spring Summit 2011 -

**21 & 22 February 2011
City Hall of Cologne, Germany**

– Programme of the event –

(Draft programme, changes may occur)

Monday, 21 February 2011

Morning: Arrival of the participants in Cologne. Pick-up at the airport for Mayors and High Political Representatives. Check-in at the hotel. Walk to the city hall.

11:00 – 1:00 p.m.	<i>Sherpas Meeting of the Steering Committee.</i>
2:00 – 3:30 p.m.	<i>Internal meeting of the Steering Committee. Only for members.</i>

3:30 –4:00 p.m.	[Meeting point for the ICT-Tour at the city hall.] Welcome address by Vice Mayor Spizig at the city hall – “Hansa Saal”
4:00 – 6:30 p.m.	“ICT made by Cologne” : the objective of this visit is to offer a special overview of the multimedia landscape of the city of Cologne gearing up for becoming the ICT city in Germany. The visit will start from the city hall.
6:30 p.m.	Transfer to the hotel.
7:30 p.m.	Transfer/walk to the venue of the gala dinner
8:00 p.m.	Gala Dinner at the “Rautenstrauch-Joest-Museum” (RJM). Welcome address by Mayor Jürgen Roters. The RJM is a museum newly launched in October 2010 that is focussing on the cultures of the world and providing an unusual exhibition concept. http://www.globalcitiesdialogue.com/downloads/RJM_FO_Kurzfuhrer_UK.pdf A signature ceremony may be included for new members.

Tuesday, 22 February 2011

Venue: City Hall (Rathaus), Spanischer Bau, Rathausplatz, 50667 Köln.

Welcome of the guests in the meeting room incl. registration. Morning coffee will be offered from 9:00 – 9:30 a.m. Translation from German into English and vice versa will be provided the whole day.

9:30 – 10:00	<p>Welcome address by the city of Cologne</p> <p>Opening of the Spring Summit by the Chairman of the Global Cities Dialogue, Mayor Paul Helminger.</p>
10:00 – 10:45	<p>Keynote speech: European Commission, Digital Agenda</p> <p>- DG Information Society and Media, (TBC) incl. questions to the keynote speaker</p>
10:45 – 11:00	Official picture and short coffee break
11:00 – 13:00	<p>First Round Table of Mayors on how there are deploying their own digital agenda at the local level.</p> <p>The recommendations of the Digital Agenda for Europe address primarily local and regional local authorities. These are assigned a crucial role for the implementation of a Digital Agenda for All:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Put the interest of [European] citizens at the forefront of the digital revolution and maximise the potential of ICTs to advance job creation, sustainability and social inclusion; ▪ Cities as driving forces of the digital age?; ▪ What is the scope of action for local and regional authorities in a digital world which removes local and country-specific borders? <p>Followed by a discussion with all participants moderated by (TBC). Wrap up of the morning session.</p>
13:00 – 14:30	Lunch on the premises of the city hall.
14:30 – 17:00	<p>Second Round Table of Mayors: "Going ecolocal" as part of GCD eBFC supported by Mayors of German cities.</p> <p>Cities are at the core of the Green Growth Agenda:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ How can cities grow and deliver services more sustainably and equitably in today's constrained budget environment? ▪ How to exploit cost and energy-saving potential of ICT? <p>Statements by the mayors on the introductory presentation made by Vice Mayor Klaus-Peter Murawski, city of Stuttgart, followed by an open debate moderated by (TBC). Wrap up GCD eBFC.</p>
17:00 – 17:30	<p>Defining the way forward: Chairman of the Global Cities Dialogue</p> <p>Closing of the Spring Summit by Vice Mayor Spizig</p>

– Practical information –

The conference venue is:

City Hall of Cologne

Spanischer Bau
Rathausplatz
50667 Cologne
Germany

The selected hotels are:

Hotel Intercontinental Köln *****

Pipinstr. 1
50667 Cologne
Tel. +49 (0) 221-28061122
Fax. +49 (0) 221-28061679

Price of a single room:
136,31 EUR per night (incl. breakfast)

www.koeln.intercontinental.com

Hotel Eden Früh am Dom ***

Sporergasse 1
50667 Cologne
Tel. +49 (0) 221-272920
Fax. +49 (0) 221-2580495

Price of a single room:
99,15 EUR per night (incl. breakfast)

www.hotel-eden.de

You can book your room by returning the attached form directly to the Cologne tourist board, which will do the reservation for you. The Cologne Tourist Board will contact you shortly after having received your completed form in order to confirm the booking.

You will have to provide a credit card number to guarantee your booking. The hotel costs are covered by the participants and the payment is made when you check in the selected hotel.

The gala dinner on Monday evening will be held at the:

“Rautenstrauch-Joest-Museum”

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NB: Please confirm your participation in the ICT-guided tour and the Gala Dinner **latest on 6 January 2011** to

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