Managing Information for Local Environments (MILES)

Description of event:

The purpose of the Technology Pavilion is to exchange lessons learned on experiences of applying innovative spatial information systems for urban environmental planning and management (EPM) geared towards supporting the implementation of the Millennium Development Goals. The Pavilion will bring together city practitioners, representatives from resource institutions, software companies, Open Source software developers, and experts who are applying environmental management information systems (EMIS) worldwide. Participants will discuss the integration of multiple technologies in the practical application of such systems. The meeting will result in an action statement for follow-up of environmental management information systems globally. An accompanying exhibition will present the achievements of partners through posters, documentation, and computer shows.

Name of organization:

Sri Lanka Institute of Local Governance (SLILG).

Description of organization:

The SLILG is the national anchoring institution for developing human resources of Provincial Councils and Local Government Institutions. SLILG was established by the government in 1999 to serve as a centre in training, research and management for public institutions. Policy decisions of the Institute are taken by a Governing Council chaired by the Secretary, Ministry of Provincial Councils and Local Government, consisting of representatives appointed from the public sector, local authority associations, private sector, non-governmental sector, community organizations and professional organizations.

Partner organizations:

City of Munich, Department of Health and Environment City of Vitoria-Gasteiz, Centre for Environmental Studies Sustainable Cities Programme (UN-HABITAT/UNEP) European Commission, EuropeAid

Confirmed speakers:

Mr. Francis Muwowo, Town Clerk, Lusaka City Council, Zambia

Mr. A.M. Chandrapala, Secretary, Ministry of Provincial Councils & Local Government, Sri Lanka Mrs. Brigitte Rothenbacher-Scholz, City Director, City of Munich, GermanyMr. Georg Ritter/Mr.

Markus Spring, Department of Health and Environment, City of Munich, Germany

Ms. Karin Buhren, Ass. Human Settl. Officer, UN-HABITAT

Mr. Cashian Herath, Director, Sri Lanka Institute of Local Governance (SLILG), Sri Lanka

Mr. Omar Mowlana, General Manager/local MILES Co-ordinator, SLILG, Sri Lanka

Mr. Jan-Oliver Wagner, CEO, Intevation GmbH, Germany

Dr. Richard Sliuzas, Urban and Regional Planning and Geo-Information Management, ITC, The Netherlands

Mr. Luis Andrés Orive, Director, Environmental Studies Centre, City of Vitoria-Gasteiz, Spain Mr. Eric Dudley, Director, Map Maker Ltd, United Kingdom

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