

Inter-Agency Conference Local Economic Development (LED)

Knowledge Sharing and Partnership Building
 to boost local economies, create employment and reduce poverty

ITC Turin, Italy, 22 - 24 October 2008

Preliminary Agenda¹

Pre-Registration and welcome cocktail: Tuesday 21 October, 18h00 – 20h30																		
Day 1 - Wednesday 22 Oct																		
8:00-9:00	Registration																	
9:00-10:30	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Kicking Off the conference with café style session 																	
10:30-11:00	Coffee & Tea break																	
11:00-12:30	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Introduction and welcome by the ILO and OECD/LEED • Key note presentation by Andrés Rodriguez-Pose: “Making the case for Local Economic Development” • Overview of Conference objectives and programme • Brief presentation of Working Group topics 																	
12:00-14:00	Lunch break																	
14:00-16:00	<p style="text-align: center;">THE PRACTICE OF LED²</p> <table border="1" style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <thead> <tr> <th style="width: 16.6%; text-align: center;">GROUP 1</th> <th style="width: 16.6%; text-align: center;">GROUP 2</th> <th style="width: 16.6%; text-align: center;">GROUP 3</th> <th style="width: 16.6%; text-align: center;">GROUP 4</th> <th style="width: 16.6%; text-align: center;">GROUP 5</th> <th style="width: 16.6%; text-align: center;">GROUP 6</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td style="vertical-align: top;">Decentralization and the LED challenge for local Governments (UNCDF)</td> <td style="vertical-align: top;">Value chain upgrading as part of an LED approach (GTZ/ILO)</td> <td style="vertical-align: top;">Organizing and mobilizing for effective Public-Private Dialogues (ILO)</td> <td style="vertical-align: top;">LED focused strategic planning and implementation (UN-HABITAT)</td> <td style="vertical-align: top;">Improving competitiveness and living standards through integrated employment and skills strategies (OECD)</td> <td style="vertical-align: top;">Indigenous peoples and LED (ILO)</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>						GROUP 1	GROUP 2	GROUP 3	GROUP 4	GROUP 5	GROUP 6	Decentralization and the LED challenge for local Governments (UNCDF)	Value chain upgrading as part of an LED approach (GTZ/ILO)	Organizing and mobilizing for effective Public-Private Dialogues (ILO)	LED focused strategic planning and implementation (UN-HABITAT)	Improving competitiveness and living standards through integrated employment and skills strategies (OECD)	Indigenous peoples and LED (ILO)
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16:00-16:30	Coffee & Tea break																	
16:30-18:00	<p style="text-align: center;">“LOW FOOD” and the relevance of LED</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Presentation by the Slowfood Foundation and discussion 																	

¹ Please note that this is a draft agenda and therefore it may slightly change

² The respective working groups are coordinated by the Agencies mentioned in brackets

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Day 2 – Thursday 23 October		
09:00-10:30	Territorial competitiveness and Local Economic Development <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Presentations and panel discussion of the experience of the IADB (FOMIN) and UNIDO, including the case of ChileEmprende, with comments from RED DETE-ALC, ILO, OECD • Interactive discussion with participants 	
10:30-11:00	Coffee & Tea break	
11:00 – 12:30 Mini plenaries	<i>Mini plenary 1:</i> Climate change, green jobs and local economic development (Coordination by ILO, OECD, IFAD)	<i>Mini plenary 2:</i> Information and Communication Technologies for effective LED strategies (Coordination by Mesopartner, ILO-DELNET, UNISAT)
12:30-14:00	Lunch break	
14:00-16:00	Plenary Sofa Session Debate: Globalization and the importance of place <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Presentation by Michael Storper (TBC). Discussant to be identified • Participants inputs (“All you wanted to know about LED and never got a chance to ask”) 	
16:00-16:30	Coffee & Tea break	
16:30-19:00	Building the global LED Bazaar Different organizations / service providers / institutions /projects have the chance to prepare a stand to give information and offer services related to LED <i>With drinks and snacks served.</i>	

Day 3 – Friday 24 October	
9:00-10:30	Building Knowledge and Capacities <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Introduction by (resource persons) • Sharing experience in tackling cross-cutting issues: the OECD LEED Forum on Partnerships and Local Governance • Comments by regional LED networks (LEDNA, DETE-ALC, LRED GTZ Asia, etc) on achievements and difficulties • Comments by training providers and network support programmes relevant to LED, such as INWENT, ILO ITC, Mesopartner, and more. • Presentation of www.ledknowledge.org (ILO)
10:30-11:00	Coffee & Tea break
11:00-12:30	Working groups on the practice (and the future) of knowledge sharing and networking
12:30-14:00	Lunch break
14:00-14:45	Group recommendations on Improving Knowledge Sharing and Partnership building
14:45-15:30	Concluding panel discussion about key Conference outcomes and perspectives (Representatives of local governments, UN Agencies, INGOs, governments, service providers etc.)
15:30	CLOSING OF CONFERENCE ... and moving to the Salone del Gusto
16:30 -	Slowfood tasting at the Terra Madre and Salone del Gusto event in the Lingotto centre