

European Days of Local Solidarity Agenda 2017

Solidarity Festival in Nantes Metropole!

10 - 11 November – Nantes – Nantes Métropole

In its first time as EDLS partner, Nantes Metropole (France) has prepared a 2-day program of exchanges, learning and celebration with a focus on the concept of "reciprocity"! On 10 November, Nantes Metropole's local actors active in international solidarity and their counterparts from the South are invited to exchange best practices and concrete experiences on how to build "reciprocity".

On 11 November, the city council and Nantes Métropole "communes" invite everybody to a Fairtrade breakfast, followed by a series of thematic workshops, conferences, storytelling sessions... and even a multicultural ball! Come and celebrate with us!

European Days of Local Solidarity in Getxo

11 and 16 November – Getxo – Euskal Fundoa

Getxotik Mundura Mundutik Getxora (11/11)

"Getxotik Mundura, Mundutik Getxora. From Getxo to the world, from the world to Getxo." Proving its openness and solidarity, the city of Getxo (Basque Country, Spain) will host on 11 November a solidarity fair giving the voice to local Civil Society and Non-Governmental Organisations and to the city council on their engagement in favor of a sustainable development for all.

Local alliances for sustainable development (16/11)

On 16 November, Euskal Fundoa invites you to discuss on the 17th Sustainable Development Goal: how to build up partnerships between local governments, the private sector and civil society for an effective sustainable development for all? Join us to discuss and debate!

Solidarity days

13 - 18 November – Jaunpils novads – LALRG

At the occasion of the EDLS 2017, the Latvian Association of local and regional governments (LALRG) will organize a cultural and political exchange with its neighboring country, Moldova, introducing the SDGs agenda. Between 13-18 November, secondary and adult schools from the region of Jaunpils (Latvia) will

be introduced to the Moldovan folklore through concerts, art contests and games. A delegation of local representatives from Moldova will visit the region with the aim of strengthening ties and fostering dialogue. Come and learn with us!

European Days of Local Solidarity in Italy!

13 November – Venice – AICCRE

This year, the Italian association of local and regional governments (AICCRE) has chosen the unique setting of the city of Venice (Italy) to promote Italian cities' action for global sustainable development. A workshop on innovative awareness raising practices will shed light on concrete examples such as involving citizens in the city council's decision making on development policies. A solidarity fair will set up a space for local NGOs and local officials to present their joint projects in regard to Fairtrade, human rights, gender, and a lot more! Come and discover!

The contribution of local actors in Development Education

15 November – Barcelona – DiBa, GENCAT

Diputació de Barcelona will organize a conference focused on concrete actions promoted by municipalities in the field of awareness raising on development issues. Taking place at the unique setting of the Recinte Modernista de Sant Pau (Barcelona, Spain), a particular attention will be paid to new methodologies to communicate with citizens being experienced at local and European level. The conference will be followed by a performance and a concert! A combined work of theatrical mime and live music will present the relevance of education as an essential element for equality and respect for human rights in a diverse Europe. Human right defenders will play a major role in such performance.

Good practices lab on cooperation at the local level

16 November – Palma de Mallorca – Fons Mallorquí

Fons Mallorquí invites local elected officials and staff along with local Non-Governmental and Civil Society Organisations to come to exchange and discuss on current trends regarding decentralised cooperation! With the aim of strengthening collaboration ties and learn from each other, this workshop will explore innovative participatory ways to exchange views. The EDLS will be promoted all around the territory in public events, schools and city councils to promote the European values of solidarity and cooperation.

Localizing the SDGs

16 November – Mérida – AEXCID

Cities and regions are important actors of the Agenda 2030, they have an important role to play in the achievement of the 17 Sustainable Development Goals. AEXCID organises a thematic conference on the "localisation of the SDGs", in which European experiences from different local horizons will be flagged up and discussed. This conference will take place on 16 November and is open to interested local elected representatives, local officials, NGOs, associations, citizens. Come and learn with us!

Launching Festisol - Solidarity Festival in France!

18 November – Paris – Ville de Paris

On 18 November, the City of Paris will host the official launching of the Festival des Solidarités, a long-standing annual festival with more than 20 years of experience gathering all actors actively engaged in solidarity to promote their projects and initiatives. The city council of Paris invites everybody to join the open-air parade, the solidarity fair and the concerts that will take place all day long at the Rotonde (105 Boulevard du Montparnasse, Paris). Find the city council's stand at The Rotonde and come to discuss with us on the city's current cooperation projects for global sustainable development!

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Cities and regions engage citizens for sustainable development

20 November – Brussels – Platforma

The PLATFORMA Secretariat will also participate at the EDLS 2017! In the unique and recently renovated setting of the House of European Cities, Municipalities and Regions in Brussels, the Secretariat invites European local elected representatives, practitioners and the European Union's institutions to discuss on the importance for cities and regions to play their role in raising awareness on development issues at the European scale. Come and join the discussion!

Culture and human rights

23 November at 20.30 and from 10 to 26 November – Catalonia – Generalitat de Catalunya

Cinema and human rights

The projection of the movie *Silencio del Rio* by Carlos Tribiño will be followed by the testimony of two human rights defenders from Colombia participating in the protection program of the Catalan government, and a round-table discussion facilitated by two Catalan NGOs.

Libraries without borders. Committed to a fairer world

Between 10 and 26 November, Generalitat de Catalunya invites you to take part in a series of audiovisual and story-telling sessions in 5 public libraries in Catalunya with a focus on human rights and the figure of the defenders of human rights. Includes audiovisual projections, round-table discussions, specialized bibliography and story-telling sessions for the youngest!

SDGs local campaign

24 November – Maastricht – LBSNN

LBSNN aims to foster Dutch-Nicaraguan municipalities' partnership. As part of LBSNN's first participation in the EDLS, a Nicaraguan muralist painter will visit Dutch primary schools between the 13th of September and the 3rd of December, to help pupils build up a mural on the 17 SDGs. Pupils will also have the experience of living in a real Nicaraguan village thanks to the Mobile Studio and will listen to amazing stories about "World citizenship" presented by storyteller Gerard Sonnemans. The Vice-mayor of Maastricht, among other local authorities' representatives, will share with pupils some of these experiences and discuss with them on the city council action for sustainable development.