

EXPO MILAN 2015: WORLD CONFERENCE OF LOCAL ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AGENCIES

LOCAL ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AGENCIES: 100 GOOD PRACTICES FROM THE TERRITORIES FOR A BETTER WORLD



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At the KIP Pavilion

The event brings together 62 Local Economic Development organisations (LEDA) operating in 18 countries all over the world, and associated to the ILS LEDA Network, to share their strategies for sustainable territorial development with international organizations, and national governments.

The LEDAs are public-private no profit associations, and provide comprehensive financial and non-financial services to population, entrepreneurs, and public administration for promoting and sustaining human and sustainable development.

The LEDAs of ILS LEDA network embraces around 1700 institutions (municipal and regional administrations, associations of small business and farmers, cooperatives, associations of



women, social and environmental local networks, universities, financial institutions), with about 60 million inhabitants served by them.

LEDAs achieved very important results on job creation, small business development, valorisation of local product -mainly healthy

food- environmental safeguard, green economy, social equity, gender equality, and preservation of the cultural heritage, on channelling national and international funds to the territories, and as instrument for facilitating the elaboration and the implementation of local and national policies and plans.

OBJECTIVES OF THE CONFERENCE

- To share the best LEDAs' experiences for promoting territorial sustainable development, territorial attractiveness, and green economy.
- To share and sustain a "Platform for operationalizing sustainable territorial development, valorising local agricultural production, innovation and green economy, through development agencies".
- To establish development partnerships between the LEDAs and the other institutions for strengthening the initiatives in the territories.

THE WORKSHOP IS ARTICULATED IN FOUR MAIN ACTIVITIES:

1. Presentation of the LEDAs to a vast public, including, among others, the KIP partners, national governments and institutions, international organizations, local administrations, the EXPO pavilions, networks of European territorial development agencies and similar structures, entrepreneurs and farmers associations, professionals working on local development, the academic world, financial institutions, etc.
The LEDAs will introduce themselves, their main results and best practices.
2. A panel with national governments, for discussing the role of the LEDAs for implementing national policies and international partnerships.
3. The participation at the workshop to the EXPO KIP DAY activities.
4. Several sessions named "The LEDAs meet" where the LEDAs will look forward possible bridges for future partnerships with key institutions.



MONDAY 21 SEPTEMBER

09.00-09.20	Introduction of G.Canzanelli, ILS LEDA Director.
09.20-09.40	Luciano Carrino (KIP SCHOOL): The global fund for territorial development.
09.40-12.30	Presentation of the LEDAs of Colombia and their network REDADELCO, Lebanon, and El Salvador.
12.30-13.45	The LEDAs meet: Impact Investing Lab of the Bocconi University of Milan; a working lunch follows up.
14.00-17:00	Presentation of LEDAs of Albania, Dominican Republic and their network REDADELDOM, Haiti, Serbia, Argentina, Senegal, Ecuador, India, and Guatemala.
17.00-18.00	The LEDAs meet: ILS LEDA (working appetizer).

TUESDAY 22 SEPTEMBER

09.30-10.20	The LEDAs meet: WAHF (World Agricultural Heritage Foundation).
10.20-11.10	The LEDAs meet: ILO.
11.10-12.00	The LEDAs meet: Follow up working coffee.
12.00-12.50	The LEDAs meet: the CAF Bio-commerce Program.
12.50-13.30	The LEDAs meet: Follow up working lunch.
14.00-16.30	Panel with national governments (Italy, Mali, Senegal, Serbia, Spain, etc.)
16.30-17.20	The LEDAs meet: UNESCO MAB (Men for Biodiversity) Program.
17.20-18.00	The LEDAs meet: Follow up working appetizer.
18.00-21.00	Participation to the EXPO KIP DAY activities.

WEDNESDAY 23 SEPTEMBER

09.30-10.30	The LEDA meet: the Territorial Bio-districts.
10:30-11.30	The LEDA meet: the Business Innovation Center of EBN (European Business Network).
11.30-12.15	The LEDAs meet: Follow up working appetizer.
12.15-13.00	Lunch.
13.00-14.00	The LEDAs meet: the innovations of the IDEASS Program.
14.00-14.50	The LEDA meet: the Universities (Florence, Bicocca, Bocconi, La Sapienza, Bologna) and the Universitas Program.
14.50-15.30	The LEDAs meet: Follow up working coffee.
15.30-17.00	Conclusions and definition of shared actions for follow up.



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