

International Twinning Conference for Innovation

Dordrecht, The Netherlands, 13th January 2010

Draft Agenda

9.15 - 9.45 *Registration*

9.45 – 10.00 Opening Words, **Mr Brok, Mayor of Dordrecht (tbc)**
Mr Vinther, President of ALDA

10.00 – 10.45 Presentation of the project CITIES, and Europe for Citizens Programme, **Mrs Antonella Valmorbida, ALDA Director**

10.45 – 11.15 *Coffee break*

11.15 – 12.45 **Thematic workshops:**

- 1. Twinning through cultural heritage exchanges** (Ecovast, Macedonia and The Union of Towns of Slovakia)
- 2. Cooperation between Local Authorities and Civil Society Organisations in town-twinings** (Marco Boaria, ALDA and Gea Davids, Dordrecht)
- 3. Twinning through business/private sector exchanges** (Dordrecht-Varna twinning committee Chairman)

12.45 – 14.00 *Lunch break*

14.00 – 15.30 **Thematic workshops:**

- 4. Good Local Governance as a tool for town-twinning** (BMC and Council of Europe Center of expertise)
- 5. Urban planning “City Logistics” in town-twinning Twinning through business/private sector exchanges** (Ambassador of City Logistics)
- 6. Europa Proof** (BMC)

15.30 – 16.00 *Coffee break*

16.00 – 17.00 **Rapporteurs presenting the results of the workshops to the plenary**

17.00 – 17.30 **Conclusion of the conference, a new vision of town-twinning in Europe**

- Mr Brok, Mayor of Dordrecht**
- Mr Wever, President of BMC**