



**International Coalition
of Cities against Racism**



First Meeting of the ICCAR Global Steering Committee

17-18 April 2016, Bologna, Italy

**Draft note and annotated agenda
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Objective

The first Meeting of the Global Steering Committee will be organised by UNESCO (ICCAR Secretariat) on 17-18 April 2016, and hosted by the Comune di Bologna, Italy, lead city of the European Coalition of Cities against Racism (ECCAR). A Global Steering Committee for ICCAR will strengthen the Coalition's global impact and visibility. The Committee's first Meeting will provide the occasion to chart a common course for strategic action.

Background

"Make cities and human settlements inclusive, safe, resilient and sustainable"

Sustainable Development Goal - SDG# 11

The ambitious UN 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development, adopted by the international community in September 2015, highlights the key role of cities in promoting peaceful and inclusive development. As the international community prepares for the landmark Habitat III Conference on Housing and Sustainable Urban Development, to be held in Quito, Ecuador, in October 2016, through holding a series of regional and global preparatory events and initiatives culminating in the adoption at Habitat III of the *New Urban Agenda*, ICCAR is strategically positioned as a key platform to respond to emerging opportunities and challenges.

More than a decade after the International Coalition of Cities against Racism (ICCAR) was launched by UNESCO in 2004, the call for a united common front in combating racism and all forms of discrimination has never been more relevant. The centrality of inclusion and respect for human rights in contemporary sustainable development agendas further highlights the need for shared action and leadership. Capitalising on the Coalition's worldwide experience in promoting collaboration to support urban inclusion, the launch of a Global Steering Committee for ICCAR will strengthen global solidarity and international collaboration across the platform and reinforce the collective identity of the Coalition, supporting its strategic mobilisation throughout the Habitat III process and beyond.

Agenda

Sunday 17 April 2016

14:00 onwards Session 1: Technical Meeting

*Città metropolitana di Bologna, Palazzo Malvezzi, Via Zamboni 13 – Sala di Giunta.
Meeting point is at 14:00 in the Entrance Hall of the Hotel “I Portici”, Via
Indipendenza 69.*

This Session will address all agenda items in preparation for proposed decisions to be approved by mayors or their designated representatives in Session 2 on Monday 18 April.

Participants: Mayors and designated representatives of Mayors of lead cities of regional/national coalitions of ICCAR; ICCAR Secretariat (UNESCO). A list of Meeting participants is attached for reference.

Opening	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Brief welcome<ul style="list-style-type: none">- European Coalition (ECCAR) President- ICCAR Secretariat (UNESCO)- Setting the scene – “The creation of an ICCAR Global Steering Committee: International collaboration for urban inclusion” (ICCAR Secretariat)- Statements from each regional/national Coalition on their commitment to international collaboration and the importance of a Global Steering Committee for ICCAR (maximum 3 minutes per Coalition)
Agenda item 1	ICCAR mandate, priorities and name <ul style="list-style-type: none">- 5 draft decisions
Agenda item 2	ICCAR contribution to Habitat III <ul style="list-style-type: none">- 4 draft decisions
Agenda item 3	Collaborative action and mobilisation of resources <ul style="list-style-type: none">- 3 draft decisions
Agenda item 4	Global Steering Committee – modalities of work <ul style="list-style-type: none">- 5 draft decisions

Evening Dinner – hosted by ECCAR at the Hotel “I Portici”, Ex Ghiacciaia, Via Indipendenza 69

Monday 18 April 2016

08:30-11:00 Session 2: ICCAR Global Steering Committee Decisions
Città metropolitana di Bologna, Palazzo d'Accursio, Via Zamboni 13 – Sala Rossa. Meeting point is at 08:00 in the Entrance Hall of the Hotel “I Portici”, Via Indipendenza 69.

Mayors and/or their designated representatives will take decisions on all agenda items.

Participants: Mayors of lead cities of regional/national coalitions of ICCAR and/or their designated representatives; ICCAR Secretariat (UNESCO). A list of Meeting participants is attached for reference.

08:30-09:00	Welcome address - European Coalition (ECCAR) President - ICCAR Secretariat (UNESCO)
09:00-09:30	Statements from Mayors or their designated representatives (4 minutes each)
09:30-11:00	Decisions on all agenda items

11:15-12:30 Meeting with students
Comune di Bologna, Palazzo d'Accursio, Piazza Maggiore, 6 – Sala del Consiglio

12:30-13:00 Welcome address of the Mayor of Bologna
Comune di Bologna, Palazzo d'Accursio – Sala Rossa

13:00-13:45 ICCAR Global Steering Committee Launch Ceremony
Palazzo d'Accursio – Sala del Consiglio

A ceremony will be held to mark the launch of the Global Steering Committee during the Town Council session of the Comune di Bologna.

14:00-15:30 Official lunch – hosted by the Comune di Bologna (venue to be determined)

ICCAR Global Steering Committee Interviews

16:00 onwards Participants may choose to join the Bologna city walk guided by the ECCAR President.

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