**INTERMEDIATE CITIES: URBANISM+ARCHITECTS**

**PLATFORM OF LEARNING (W.P.: UIA-CIMES-U+A)**

**A. OBJECTIVES AND IDEA**

1. **GENERAL OBJECTIVE**

Strengthen **the strategic relationship between urban planning and architects**, especially in intermediate cities. Collaboration with the UNESCO-CIMES Chair and other international organizations, especially UCLG, UN-HABITAT and others institutions (A collaboration letter with UCLG and UNESCO-CIMES has already been signed).

1. **SPECIFIC OBJECTIVE**

Strengthen **technical capacities on urbanism, town planning and management for local architects**, by using the Base Plan methodology and the Base Plan platform of learning, offered by the UNESCO Chair: [www.baseplan.udl.cat](http://www.baseplan.udl.cat)

1. **TARGET**

**Local Architects,** and/or other professionals of the city, **involved in urban transformation processes**, to promote more inclusive and sustainable urban development, especially in intermediate cities.

1. **LEARNING UNITS: WORKSHOPS and TRAINING COURSES**

**4.1.** Courses/Workshops organized by the UdL-CIMES UNESCO Chair with UCLG and UIA. Target: architects and/or other professionals of the city, as well as professors and/or architecture students (last-year courses). Attendance certificates to be issued.

**4.2.** Training of trainers, in coordination with the UIA Regional Vice Presidents. Target: architects, representatives of the UIA Member Sections, as well as architects from local governments’ technical units and architects who are interested in becoming trainers. Certificates of "trainers on Base Plan methodology" to be issued.

1. **ACTIVITIES**

5.1. Signing a broader agreement of cooperation with UCLG, to strengthen the relationship between UIA and UCLG.

5.2. Setting the Base Plan platform as a supporting tool for learning and training.

5.3. Delivering courses/workshops including certificates for participants

5.4. Delivering training courses for trainers and professors for each learning unit.

5.5. Setting up five (5) learning units in each UIA region.

**6. BENEFITS FOR UIA MEMBER SECTIONS:**

6.1. Broadening and strengthening technical capacities of UIA architects through the Base Plan methodology for intermediate cities;

6.2. Enhancing the relationship between UIA architects and urban planning processes especially at local level and within technical units of local governments;

6.3. Increasing work opportunities of UIA architects and their ability to influence urbanization processes, especially in intermediate cities.

**7. PROGRAMME 2018/2020: REGIONAL LEARNING UNITS**

Five (5) activities in each UIA Region to be carried out between 2018 and 2020:

**Region 1:** Learning unit to be held in Barcelona, Madrid or Paris. Coordination with Lorenz BRÄKER. In Barcelona there would be the possibility of carrying out the learning unit directly at the UCLG headquarters. In Madrid with CSCAE. In Paris CIAF.

**Region 2:** Learning unit to be held in Athens or Beirut. Coordination with Nikos FINTIKAKIS (Athens) and/or also with Jade TABET (Beirut), President of the Lebanese Architects Association.

**Region 3:** Learning unit to be held in Ecuador, Mexico and/or Brazil. In coordination with Roberto SIMON. There are many universities linked to the UdL-CIMES UNESCO Chair: the UNNE in Argentina, the ULA in Mérida (Venezuela), the UCR in San José de Costa Rica, the UCLA of San Salvador (El Salvador), the Universities of Cuenca and Manabí both in Ecuador, the UFRGS in Río do Janiero.

**Region 4:** Learning unit to be held in Korea with ARCASIA and in coordination with the UIA Vice President Jong RHUL HAHN from Korea and with Marc Brossa (Catalan architect who lives there. He is professor at the Seoul School of Architecture). Alternatively it could be held in Dhaka with Ishtiaque ZAHIR from the Bangladesh Architects Association. Also is possible to do this learning unit in Hong Kong.

**Region 5:** Learning unit to be held in Rabat in collaboration with the UNESCO Morocco Office and UCLG-ALGA, respectively Golda EL-KHOURY and Zarrouk NAJAT, and with the UIA Vice President Mohammed MUNYANYA from Kenya. In the African region we have done several courses and we have an expert teacher from the city of Xai-Xai, Mozambique, Victor CHICONELLA, and others in the Architecture School of Nampula (Mozambique).

**8. TEAM:**

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