Internacional First Forum on Youth and Adolescence
Local Policy Reviews- Mexico City

Youth for a Global Change
For a closer, innovative and plural public agenda
Today more than 1.800 million youth between the ages of 10 and 24. 9 out of 10 live in developing countries. There are more young people between the ages of 10 and 24 than ever before in the history of humanity.

Some advances have been made during the last 20 years regarding global youth. The number of countries that count with Official Youth Bodies has increased, national and local legislations for youth have been drafted, and there is more information about Youth Public Policies around the world. However, the scarce efforts put on the evaluation of Youth Public Policies on the national level, leaving aside the impact of these policies at the local level, the cieties.

According to UN-Habitat, cities can promote social development, the provision of services, technological innovation, and economies of scale that may foster competition. From this perspective, cities offer a unique opportunity to improve the quality of life of young people and the exercise of their rights.
Mexico City Government, through the Secretary of Social Development (SEDESO by its acronym in Spanish), the Mexico City’s Youth Institute (INJUVE by its acronym in Spanish) and the System for Integral Family Development (DIF by its acronym in Spanish), are organizing for the first time an international meeting for exchanging ideas and reflecting on public policy, focusing on youth and teenagers living in capital cities.

**WHEN:**

April 6th, 7th and 8th, 2016

Mexico City

Headquarters:

Centro Cultural Universitario Tlatelolco
OBJECTIVES:

• To share different and successful experiences about adolescence and youth local policies to know the different perspectives, results and limitations
• To generate a shared commitment to take the local adolescence and youth policies as a cross axis of the sustainable cities, as well as to guarantee a permanent space to debate, share and cooperate with the different cities in matters of adolescence and youth
• To generate a Good Practices Catalog that includes the local and successful adolescence and youth policies which also will serve as a basis of the new Agenda 2030 for the Sustainable Development and Habitat III

GUESTS:

• Local government officials with the ability to participate in decision-making processes for the implementation of public policies for teens and young adults
• Officials from international cooperation agencies
• Researchers, consultants, academics and experts in policy for youth
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The current demand is for the harmonization of public policies for teenagers and youth with the demographic dividend; is a matter of emphasis. The future of sustainable development must take youth as a central axis. Cities’ public policies must create a future in favor of youth.
GUEST CITIES

AMERICA
- QUEBEC, CANADA
- LOS ANGELES, USA
- NEW YORK CITY, USA
- PANAMA, PANAMA
- QUITO, ECUADOR
- BOGOTA, COLOMBIA
- MEDELLIN, COLOMBIA
- LIMA, PERU
- SAN SALVADOR, EL SALVADOR
- BUENOS AIRES, ARGENTINA
- ROSARIO, ARGENTINA
- SAO PAULO, BRASIL
- RIO DE JANEIRO, BRASIL
- BRASILIA, BRASIL
- SANTIAGO, CHILE

EUROPE
- MADRID, SPAIN
- BARCELONA, SPAIN
- LISBON, PORTUGAL
- PARIS, FRANCE
- BERLIN, GERMANY
- BRUSSELS, BELGIUM

AFRICA
- LUANDA, ANGOLA
- JOHANNESBURG, SOUTH AFRICA

ASIA
- TOKYO, JAPAN
- SEOUL, SOUTH KOREA
OTHER BENEFICIARIES OF THE FORUM:

- Mexico City Youth
- Civil Associations
- Academics and Researchers
- Parents
- Institutions focusing on Teenagers and Youth
TOPICS TO ADDRESS:

Health
Human Safety and Violence Prevention
Dignified Employment
Formal and No Formal Education
Art, Culture and Entertainment
Public Space and Infrastructure of the Youth
Citizenship and Social Participation
Human Rights: Equality and Diversity
Transitions between Childhood, Adolescence and Youth
Innovations in the Management of the Public Youth Policies
Technology, Access and Internet Management
Suicide Attempt’s Prevention
Teen Pregnancy’s Prevention
Current Teen Trends
PARTICIPATING AGENCIES:
CONCRETE RESULTS:

1. Final Declaration of the International Forum on Youth and Adolescence Local Policy Reviews - Mexico City
2. Publication of the first Good Practices Catalog of Public and Local Youth Policies
3. The city hosts of the Second International Forum on Youth and Adolescence Local Policy Reviews