



Draft of the Charter of MediverCities

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MEDIVERCITIES network:

MEDIVERCITIES is a network gathering Mediterranean national and sub-national governments, local authorities, cities and their partners and other relevant networks, aiming at improving the implementation of the Convention on Biological Diversity at the local level. To achieve this goal, its status also enables it to represent and advocate the interests of its members on the international stage.

Terms of Reference:

- The mobilization of national and sub-national governments, local authorities, cities and their partners and other relevant networks to implement the Convention on Biological Diversity;
- The sharing of information;
- The provision of expertise, best practices and implementation capacity through the exchange of experts through secondments for instance;
- Be a co-operation partner for other international or regional organizations.

MEDIVERCITIES values:

- Be an open and flexible network for any Mediterranean national or sub-national governments, local authorities, cities and their partners or other relevant networks that would like to join;
- Be a network based on information sharing;
- Represent and advocate the interests of Mediterranean local authorities.







Co-operation and partners:

- The Secretariat of the Convention on Biological Diversity and ICLEI are both initiators and partners of MEDIVERCITIES;
- The UNEP/MAP shall be a partner in the realizations of the activities of the network on the base of the Mediterranean Strategy for Sustainable Development.

Financing:

MEDIVERCITIES is a network with a symbolic membership fee. It will be funded by its members and may receive donations or subventions.

The bodies of MEDIVERCITIES:

The Chairman

They will represent the Sub-national governments, local authorities and cities interests on the international stage.

The Steering Committee

The members of the Steering Committee are the leaders of the activities of the network. They are the representatives of the members and the decision makers.

The permanent platform

The City of Montpellier is in charge of an electronic platform and of a permanent secretariat of the network.