Dear members of UCLG's Committee on culture,

We are pleased to announce the publication of the report: "Agenda 21 for culture in France. State of affairs and outlook", written by Ms Christelle Blouët.

The report is based on the research conducted by Ms Blouët to ten French local governments close to United Cities and Local Governments and Agenda 21 for culture. The research was submitted in March 2008, for the Professional Master’s degree in the management of facilities and projects in the field of advanced music at Angers University. The research was supervised by one of the leading researchers in cultural policies in France, Professor Philippe Teillet and received a key support from the French Observatoire des Politiques Culturelles, and especially its director, Jean-Pierre Saez.

The report and the research explain the Agenda 21 for culture has been received with hope, as it promotes both cultural diversity and intercultural dialogue, it needs a joint implementation with local civil society and it fosters alliances with cities all around the world. Ms Blouët regards Agenda 21 for culture as a synonym for resources for constructing a coherent local political project and considers that cultural rights are vital for the exercise of full citizenship.

Good reading:

Yours sincerely
The UCLG World Secretariat on behalf of the Committee on culture