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City of Malmö

CEMR General Assembly

Malmö Tourism

Lugna gatan 84 VII,

SE-21159 Malmö

Sweden

PLACE POSTAGE

Conference Venue



Malmö Exhibition and Convention Center – a place for people to meet. A building with resources and advanced technology that is inspiringly spacious with beautiful as well as functional furnishings.

The conference center is situated within a 15-minute walk from downtown Malmö and the Central Station, with trains to Kastrup Airport and Copenhagen as well as buses to Malmö Airport. The city bus stops near the main entrance every six minutes.

The City of Malmö

Malmö was officially mentioned for the first time in 1275, under its former name of Malmhauga. In 1437 the city received its city coat of arms from the sovereign, Eric of Pomerania, and had at that time, around 5,000 inhabitants.

Malmö, with its nearly 300,000 inhabitants has a vision of being a sustainable city; socially, economically and ecologically. This will be achieved and maintained by consolidating and raising the level of education, strengthening integration and increasing the number of employees with a foreign background. In concrete terms, this means, among other things, continuing investments in ecological environment

Over the years, Malmö has made an exciting journey from industrial city to knowledge city. There are currently 25,000 university students, 10,000 high school students and 8,000 adult education students in Malmö.



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FIRST ANNOUNCEMENT

fit for the FUTURE?

How Europe's local and regional governments are preparing

MALMÖ 22-24 APRIL 2009



Welcome



very three years, the general assembly of the Council of European Municipalities and Regions (CEMR) brings together hundreds of representatives of local and regional governments from

across Europe and beyond.

Between 22 and 24 April 2009, CEMR will hold its general assembly in Malmö. It will be the perfect time and venue to reflect on the European issues that directly affect our towns and regions: the development of our public services, climate change and energy, economic growth and the environment, the state of local democracy, town twinning...

For three days, elected local and regional leaders, experts, representatives of EU institutions and other stakeholders will debate – and sometimes argue over – this fundamental question: are our towns and regions fit for the future? Are we ready for the challenges of today and tomorrow?

Be part of these debates. Join us in Malmö.

Michael Häupl, CEMR President Mayor and Governor of Vienna

he future of all cities and regions is based on having a good dialogue with citizens and business-owners. If we have that we can jointly take care of our major commitments within climate



and sustainability, immigration and migration, public services and age composition in the population, etc. These are issues that are of vital importance if our cities and municipalities are to provide good service and also continue to be attractive in the future.

These are issues that will be discussed during the 24th CEMR General Assembly in Malmö. That is why it is my great pleasure to welcome you to the meeting and to our work in creating our joint future!

Ilmar Reepalu, Mayor of Malmö Chairman of the Executive Board

Programme

Wednesday, 22 April 2009

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	10:30-12:30	CEMR Policy Committee meeting
	15:00	Formal opening session
	15:45	Round table: "Facing the future – the international and European challenges
	18:00	Reception at the Congress Centre

Thursday, 23 April 2009

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08:30-09:30	Meetings of national delegations	
09:30-11:00	Series 1 parallel sessions: – "Democracy and Governance" session 1: participation and inclusion – "Quality Services and Demographic Change" session 1: adapting our services and workforces to change	
11:30-13:00	Series 2 parallel sessions: – "Democracy and Governance" session 2: changing structures and competences – "Quality Services and Demographic Change" session 2: improving and evaluating service quality	
14:30-16:00	Series 3 parallel sessions: – "New Cohesion Policy: bridging the urban-rural divide" – "Building Stability and Co-operation across Europe and with its Neighbours"	
16:15-17:15	Special session on twinning and active citizenship. Parallel workshop on decentralised cooperation – new roles for local and	
19:30	regional government Gala evening at the Malmö Opera House	
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Friday, 24 April 2009

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9:15-11:15	Plenary session on climate change
11:45-13:00	Closing ceremony

Saturday, 25 April 2009

Post Congress tours in ecological environment.

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Registration and Hotel Accomodations

To be announced at www.cemr2009.se by June 1st 2008

Exhibition Management

To be announced at www.cemr2009.se by June 1st 2008

Key dates

Distribution of 2nd Announcement	October 2008		
Online registration and hotel reservations October 2008			
Deadline early fee	15 February 2009		
Deadline hotel reservations	to be announced		





CEMR XXIV General Assembly, 22-24 April 2009 in Malmö, Sweden

I would like to receive further information about the

conference.				
☐ We are interested in the trade exhibition.				
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