

# EXPO MILAN 2015: WORLD CONFERENCE OF LOCAL ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AGENCIES

## BEST PRACTICES FOR HEALTHY FOOD, MORE ATTRACTIVE AND SUSTAINABLE TERRITORIES



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21-23 September 2015  
At the KIP Pavilion

The event brings together 60 Local Economic Development organisations (LEDA) operating in 16 countries all over the world, and associated to the ILS LEDA Network, to share their strategies for sustainable territorial development with international organizations, and national governments.

The LEDAs are public-private no profit associations, and provide comprehensive financial and non-financial services to population, entrepreneurs, and public administration for promoting and sustaining human and sustainable development.

The LEDAs of ILS LEDA network embraces around 1700 institutions (municipal and regional administrations, associations of small business and farmers, cooperatives, associations of



women, social and environmental local networks, universities, financial institutions), with about 60 million inhabitants served by them.

LEDAs achieved very important results on job creation, small business development, valorisation of local product -mainly healthy

food- environmental safeguard, green economy, social equity, gender equality, and preservation of the cultural heritage, on channelling national and international funds to the territories, and as instrument for facilitating the elaboration and the implementation of local and national policies and plans.

# OBJECTIVES OF THE CONFERENCE

- To share the best LEDAs' experiences for promoting territorial sustainable development, territorial attractiveness, and green economy.
- To share and sustain a "Platform for operationalizing sustainable territorial development, valorising local agricultural production, innovation and green economy, through development agencies".
- To establish development partnerships between the LEDAs and the other institutions for strengthening the initiatives in the territories.

## PARTICIPANTS

- The LEDAs networked by ILS LEDA and operating in 16 countries: Albania, Argentina, Bolivia, Colombia, Dominican Republic, Ecuador, El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras, Lebanon, Mozambique, Nicaragua, Senegal, Serbia, Sri Lanka, Uruguay.
- National Governments of countries where the LEDAs operate, and donor countries.
- International organisations: OECD, ILO, UNOPS, UNDP, BID, European Union, World Bank, CAF, OFID, Impact Investment Network, among others.
- International Networks of territorial development experiences: EURADA, EBN, Global-Local Forum, International Network of Eco-regions, International Network of Parks, among others.



## 21 September: The LEDAs' best practices in food security, improving territorial attractiveness and sustainability, and the platform

10:00-10:30	Introduction
10:30-13:00	Presentation of LEDAs' best practices
14:00-15:00	Presentation of LEDAs' best practices
15.00-15.30	Presentation of "the platform for operationalizing sustainable territorial development and green economy through development agencies"
16.00-17.45	Panel with national governments: "How to strengthen the policies for improving territorial attractiveness and sustainability".

## 22 September: The LEDAs' best practices in food security, improving territorial attractiveness and sustainability, and the awards

10:00-13:00	Presentation of LEDAs' best practices
14:00-14:45	Award for the 3 LEDAs' best practices
15:00-17-00	Panel with the international organisms: "How to strengthen the tools for improving territorial attractiveness and sustainability".

## 23 September: Open space and finalisation

10:00-12:00	Open spaces for discussion between LEDA with interested national and international actors
12:00-13:30	Organising the work of the LEDAs Platform at local, national and international level, with the support of national and international partners



## ORGANISATION

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