**Urban Violence World Forum**

**City:** Madrid

**Organisation responsible:** Madrid City Council

**Period:** 19-21 April 2017

**Activity:** Forum allowing to outline the different types of urban violence and discuss channels and ways to prevent, tackle and, if possible, eradicate it.

**Objectives**

Bringing together public figures, experts on municipal public policies who address this manifestation of violence and the corresponding alternatives to conflicts in urban environments.

Spreading thoughts and practices to transform the cultures of violence into cultures of peace.

Fostering policies that erode the legitimacy and use of violence, and serve for the prevention and peaceful transformation of conflicts.

**Description**

The Forum consisted of a meeting place for local leaders, international organisations and networks, academic world, NGOs and civil society to open a joint process of debate, reflection and construction of common solutions that foster urban environments capable of eliminating expressions of violence. It was structured in panel discussions, debates and an Agora open space.

**Beneficiaries**

Mayors, and is open to civil society, citizens, international organisations and networks.

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**GOAL 2: Reinforce education and resilience at local level**

(58) Develop participatory strategies to prevent the emergence of violent extremisms, protect population from recruitment and from the threat of violent extremisms, and support confidence-building measures at local level by providing appropriate platforms for dialogue and the early identification of grievances.

**GOAL 9: Promote the adoption of local, regional and National Plans of Actions**

(128) Advocate for the adoption of local, regional and national plans of action to prevent violent extremism and ensure that the process of definition and adoption will include multi-stakeholder spaces of debate, and the participation of civil society.