

Project proposal – COP15

The UN Conference on Climate Change, COP15, will be held in Copenhagen during November 30th-December 13th, 2009.

Given the mandate from the COP13 at Bali, it is expected that this conference in Copenhagen will lead to a global agreement on climate change to replace the Kyoto agreement from 1997.

The C40 network could aim at impacting the outcome of the Copenhagen Conference as well as positioning the cities as the key deliverants of actual, on-the-ground reduction of CO2-emissions.

A comprehensive campaign could lead to the intended result:

- A political event within the time-span of the COP15 to take place as close as possible to the core venue of the negotiations, eventually combined with parallel side-events with a high degree of public visibility.
- A number of concrete activities taking place in Copenhagen, eventually also in other C40 cities, showcasing breakthrough technologies. These showcases could be implemented in cooperation with selected companies.
- A strong statement issued from the C40 meeting in Seoul in Spring 2009, which aims at starting the campaign as well as providing the C40 cities with lobbying tools for their respective national debates.
- Linking the C40 meeting in Seoul and the City of Seoul's plans for a Green Expo with the COP15 meeting and activities in Copenhagen.

This Campaign should be developed further during 2008. A Secretariat for this Campaign consisting of e.g. London, Copenhagen and Seoul would undertake the task.

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