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ALDA AT THE SUMMIT OF EUROPE'S REGIONS AND CITIES. Copenhagen, 22-23 March 2012

Vicepresident of ALDA, Mr. Dobrica Milovanovic, had the opportunity to present ALDA, its Network and its work in Europe at the Summit of Europe's Regions and Cities that took place in Copenhagen on 22 and 23 March 2012, promoted by the Committee of the Regions.

Mr. Milovanovic had short interventions during one of the workshops of the event and had a short exchange of words with the President of the European Commission, [José Manuel Barroso](#), and the Danish Prime Minister Mrs. [Helle Thorning-Schmidt](#), whom he thanked for supporting Serbia to get EU candidate status.

Mr Milovanovic met also the [Mayors](#) of Copenhagen, Mr. Frank Jensen, and Lisbon Antonio Costa.

This high level event entitled "The European urban fabric in the 21st century" was fully dedicated to the sustainable urban development. Mayors of European cities, presidents of regions, architects, the experts on urban planning and others shared their views on the many challenges they are facing - how to prevent climate changes, create jobs, promote economic growth and to ensure sustainable energy supply.

During various workshops they also presented some of their best practices and innovative approaches.

"[Copenhagen declaration](#)" adopted at the end of the Summit, which promotes the transition to "green economy", was supported by the highest EU officials, (president of EC Mr Jose Manuel Barroso, president of EP Mr Martin Schulz, Prime Minister of Denmark, Ms Helle Thorning-Schmidt).

Mr Barroso stated that the transition to a green economy will require appropriate funding and EU policies and the development of innovative financial systems involving local partners, banks, private companies and civil society.

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REGGIO EMILIA MUNICIPALITY AND ALDA WITH THE PROJECT "CITIZENS OF REGGIO EMILIA, FOR EXAMPLE" AT THE EXHIBITION OF THE SUMMIT OF EUROPE'S REGIONS AND CITIES. Copenhagen, 22/23 March 2012

ALDA with the Municipality of Reggio Emilia (I) will participate with the project "Citizens of Reggio Emilia, for example" at the exhibition promoted by the Committee of the Regions on the occasion of the Summit of Europe's Regions and Cities that will take place in Copenhagen on 22 and 23 March 2012.

Alda will be represented at the [Summit](#) by Mr. Dobrica Milovanovic, Vicepresident, and Mr. Alfonso Aliberti. The Mayor of Reggio Emilia, Mr. Graziano Delrio will be speaker at the workshop on: "[Greener urban strategies: Rio+20 and the role of cities and regions](#)".

In the picture: Alda Vicepresident Dobrica Milovanovic, with the President of European Commission José Barroso.

The [exhibition](#), entitled: "Beautiful, green, smart and inclusive: Colourful cities", will give to about 30 Regions and Cities the opportunity to showcase their best practices in four thematic areas of urban development: architecture and town planning; innovation and smart specialisation strategies; respect to energy efficiency, transport and sustainable development; inclusion, social innovation and employment. The exhibition will also be put up at the Committee of the Regions' premises in Brussels in May 2012 and will be open for the public to visit during the Open Doors Day.

The City of Reggio Emilia, in cooperation with the Forum of the Third Sector, has developed this pilot project entitled "[Citizens of Reggio Emilia, for example](#)", with the aim of strengthening municipal social capital and promoting a more inclusive city.