

## INTERNATIONAL SEMINAR

### «Challenges and trends in solid waste management in Mediterranean cities»

Tripoli, 7<sup>th</sup> November 2017

#### Programme

##### **09.00 Arrival of participants and registration**

##### **09.30 Welcome speech**

**Eng Ahmad Kamareddine**, President Urban Community Al-Fayhaa  
**Mr. Xavier Tiana I Casablanca**, General Secretary of MedCities  
**Dr. Mohamed Idaomar**, President of MedCities

##### **10.00 Opportunities towards new solid waste management models: the international dimension**

**Chair: Dr. Mohamed Idaomar**, President of MedCities

- **Mr. Oriol Barba**, *MedCities Technical Director* Technical Director: MedCities as a promoter of new solid waste management initiatives.
- **Eng. Dima Homs**, *Director of the Urban Community Al Fayhaa*: the ISWMF project with the support of Catalan Partners
- **Mr Alain Chatry**, *Area Manager of UNDP in the North of Lebanon*: The Role of UNDP in supporting municipalities in SWM in the North of Lebanon
- **Eng. Sabine Ghosn**, *Ministry of Environment of Lebanon*. Current situation and potential solutions for Solid Waste Management.

##### **11.00 Coffee break**

### 11.30 Round table 1: Multilevel governance in solid waste management. Interaction with national authorities.

*Scope: This session aims to bring into discussion the role of the central governments in integrated waste management. The aim is to obtain a view on different systems and the potentials to bridge gaps on different competences through sound governance.*

**Chair: Dr Sami Menkara President of Manar University and Former president of UCF (TBC)**

- **Eng Younes El Hajj**, *The council of Development and Reconstruction CDR*
- **Mrs. Carme Gual i Via**, *Director Catalan Agency for Cooperation and Development. Regional experience on sòlid waste reduction and good governance.*
- **Mr. Mohamed Saadoun**, *Municipal Councillor of Chefchaouen. The challenges of coordinating competences and stakeholders in sòlid waste management.*

**Debate (15 min)**

### 12.30 Round table 2: The challenge of waste separation and treatment. The role of the municipality in promoting a culture of recycling

*Scope: This session aims to bring into discussion local practice experiences which are succeeding on reducing the amount of waste reaching the treatment phase. The focus is placed on the most suitable separation and treatment systems in each local context and the existing instruments to promote and implement recycling.*

**Chair: Dr Mervat el Hoz, Professor at Balamand University**

- **Mr. Sami Aghnatios**, *Jbeil Byblos Municipality Council. Resilient Byblos strategy experience to increase waste separation and treatment.*
- **Dr. Ali Qawaqzeh**, *Mayor of of the Local Development Unit in the Greater Jerash Municipality. The experience of solid waste management and the operation of the Syrian refugees in Jerash.*
- **Mrs. Patil Mardikian**, *The case of OMSAR in Lebanon in Operating treatment plants with a focus on sorting and composting.*
- **Mr. Christodoulos Ioannou**, *European Affairs Councilor, Larnaka. "Pay as you through" project and challenges for implementation.*

**Debate (15 min)**

**14.00 Lunch**

### 15.30 Round table 3. Landfills impacts and environmental solutions

*Scope: This session aims to present different options and solutions to the environmental and socioeconomic impacts of landfills. The aim is to reflect on a series of good practices that can illustrate scenarios for the host urban community landfill situation.*

**Chair : Mr. Xavier Tiana I Casablanca, General Secretary of MedCities**

- **Dr Mervat el Hoz**, *Professor at Balamand University*. The Current situation and challenges to address on the landfill of Tripoli
- **Eng. Mustafa Hijazi**, *Saida Council Member*. The transformation of Saida land field project.
- **Mr. Wassim Zouari**, *First Deputy Mayor Sfax*. Sfax Strategy to address the landfill crisis.

**Debate and recommendations for Tripoli landfill and solutions (40 min)**

17.30 Closure of the seminar