

Special Session [Human Rights Paper Presentation Session II]

Human Rights and Local Governments

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Background

The limitations of efforts to promote human rights at the national level have brought about moves to reimagine the scope of action. The current challenges and opportunities related to human rights are appropriately addressed at the local and regional levels. The session deals with present human rights related agendas such as inclusion and the city, implementing human rights and the SDGs in the city, vulnerable groups and climate change-related human rights, building urban resilience through human rights, and the social economy as a human rights leader. Through addressing these agendas within a local and regional context, a path forward may be charted for human rights theory, policy and practice that is closer to the lived experiences of those most vulnerable.

Objectives

1. Advance knowledge on human rights theory, policy and practice at the local and regional level;
2. Develop a network of researchers of local and regional level human rights.

Main agenda

1. Inclusion and the city;
2. Implementing human rights and the SDGs in the city;
3. Vulnerable groups and climate change-related human rights;
4. Building urban resilience through human rights;
5. The social economy as a human rights leader.

