



World Local Governments Summit

OVERVIEW

- ↘ Theme: Role of local governments for sustainable future city
- ↘ Period: 4-6 September 2012
- ↘ Organized by: Ministry of Public Administration and Security
IUCN, ICLEI
- ↘ Supported by: IUCN
- ↘ Hosted by: Jeju Special Self-Governing Province
- ↘ Participants: 300 people
Local government leaders overseas
International agencies (IUCN, UNEP, NGO)
Korean Local Governments
- ↘ Programme: Opening ceremony, Keynote address,
Jeju Initiative and more



BACKGROUND INFORMATION on the World Local Governments Summit

Warm-up event to the IUCN World Conservation Congress 2012

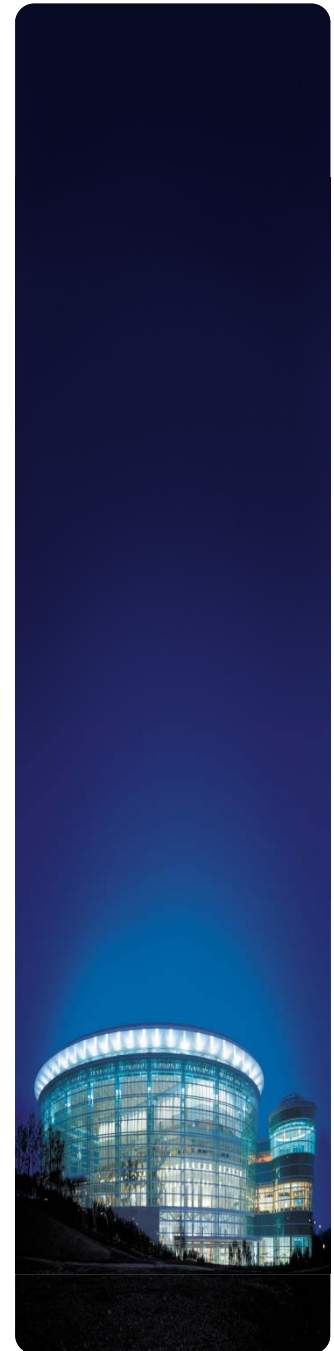
The World Local Governments Summit takes place in the lead up to the IUCN World Conservation Congress 2012 in Jeju. Its objective is to discuss plans to form a cooperative system for taking joint measures at the local government level to further sustainable development while engaging in environmental preservation.

Information sharing and presentations on international local government policies

The Summit will host presentations and share information on policies aimed at sustainable development and environmental conservation which have been drafted and implemented by local governments around the world following the 1992 Rio Summit.

Opportunity to discuss the role of local governments in dealing with global problems

The Summit presents an opportunity to discuss the role of local governments in dealing with global problems such as climate change, how Korea's green growth policies are being implemented at the local government level, and the need for developing a new model (global environment model city) for constructing combined environmental, social and economic systems.





➤ **World Local Governments Summit Round-Table Discussion**

There will be presentations on environmental policies being promoted by local governments around the world and the Summit will include an open “World Local Governments Summit Round-Table Discussion” session attended by experts from UCLG, IUCN, ICLEI, and the Republic of Korea’s Ministry of the Environment and Ministry of Public Administration and Safety. You may take part in this session as well as expert sessions as a presenter or panelist.

➤ **Optimal way to prepare for the IUCN Congress**

The summit offers a special opportunity for participants to warm up to the IUCN World Conservation Congress 2012 in Jeju. The Congress features numerous forward-thinking events on conservation , as well as five high-profile **World Leaders Dialogues**, which present a unique opportunity for participants to interact with top decision-makers. Visit www.iucn.org/congress for more on the IUCN Congress.

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 PROGRAM (Draft)

Time	04-Sep	05-Sep		06-Sep
9:00				
10:00		Expert Session 1	Expert Session 2	Official Tour to Geomun Oreum (World Natural Heritage)
11:00		Program Development of Global Environment Model City	The Role of Local Governments in Dealing with Global Problems	
12:00	Registration	Lunch		Lunch
13:00				
14:00	Opening Ceremony	Expert Session 3	Expert Session 4	
	Keynote Speech 1	Green Growth and Sustainable Development	Joint Program of International Local Government Agency and Local Governments	
	Keynote Speech 2			
	Keynote Speech 3			
15:20	Break	Break		
16:00	World Local Governments Summit Round-Table Discussion	Green Growth and Sustainable Development	Joint Program of International Local Government Agency and Local Governments	Opening Ceremony of WCC
17:00				
18:30				
19:00~20:30	Welcome Reception	Gala Dinner		Welcome Reception of WCC





HOST CITY, JEJU ISLAND

Jeju Island is the premier tourist destination in Korea. Scenic beaches, waterfalls, cliffs, and caves lie in harmony, and the mild weather makes Jeju Island an even more ideal place for vacation. Mt. Halla in Jeju has flora and fauna of both temperate and tropical varieties. Located at the center of Northeast Asia, Jeju is connecting the continent and the Pacific Ocean. Such geographical feature makes Jeju an optimal place for the summit diplomacy. Since the 1990's, Jeju has been highlighted as playing an important diplomatic role for peace and prosperity of the Northeast Asia.

(<http://english.tour2jeju.net/main/>)

UNESCO World Natural Heritage Sites

In June 2007, the volcanic island and lava tube cave systems, as well as the fortress-like Seongsan Ilchulbong tuff cone rising out of the ocean were designated as UNESCO World Natural Heritage Sites for natural beauty and geographical value. Jeju Island is not only Korea's most prestigious destination and top honeymoon location but the venue for several political joint summit talks and other major international meetings.

(<http://jejuwnh.jeju.go.kr/>)

Exciting Activities and Food

You can enjoy hiking, bike riding, paragliding, scuba diving, windsurfing, hunting, horseback riding, swimming in the ocean, and sightseeing boat trips in Jeju. Jeju has a wide variety of local fruits and foods, such as delicious Jeju tangerines, saltwater fish (Okdom) stews, grilled saltwater fishes with seasoning, rice porridges with abalone, pheasant dishes and hair-tail fish soups. Jeju keeps changing itself into an International Free City, and becomes an island of harmony under the wave of technology while maintaining its ecological treasures.

Weather Information

Jeju has a mild subtropical climate with less annual range and is famous for beautiful landscape in harmony with mountains and sea and many tourist attractions. The temperature for the hottest summer months averages no more than 34.7°C and no less than -1.5°C for winter. The annual average temperature reaches 11.7°C. The annual temperature of Jeju is relatively low and mild, compared with those of other places at the same latitude of the earth. This is due to the cold winter seasons, which is the influence of continental climate, and also by summers that do not become too hot due to the cool oceanic currents. The annual temperatures of Jeju City and Seogwipo City for the last 30 years are reported to be 15.2 °C and 15.9°C respectively.

