

1st Sustainable Airport Areas Workshop

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The 1st workshop of the Metropolis Initiative dealing with Sustainable airport areas will take place in October in Paris. It will offer participants a great opportunity to present their airport area, to share experience with other international airport areas stakeholders, and to develop a transversal approach of their territory.

In the course of the Initiative, the three pillars of sustainable development will be examined, in relation with airport areas: economic development, social development and environmental protection. The 1st workshop will be dedicated to participants' introduction and to the presentation of each participant's airport area historical development on the 1st day, and to identify criteria of sustainable development in airport areas in order to enrich the concept, on the 2nd day.

This workshop **main objectives** are:

- To get to know the worldwide participants and their airport areas;
- To familiarize with the concept of "Sustainable airport areas", based on a transversal approach of economic development, environment and social issues;
- To share best practices of economic development in airport areas (the following workshop - 2016 - will be dedicated to environment and social issues);
- To collectively identify best practices that can be generalized to other airport areas;
- To reinforce the expertise of the partners and participants of the Initiative in terms of airport areas sustainable planning (urban planning, governance, economic development and attractiveness, employment, training, etc.).

It will be the first step in compiling a reference base of best practices dealing with sustainable development and planning for airport areas. It would foster suitable policies implementation and ensure that environmental, social and land issues are better taken into account in these territories.

Target

- **technical staff** of public and private entities concerned with airport areas: this Initiative will build awareness of the best practices and give the opportunity to the participants to make their own practices known.
- **elected representatives** and **local economic decision makers**: this work should contribute to an important new knowledge on best practices, and experience sharing with other airport areas. It will also promote and disseminate existing approaches. Some particular issues, such as future employment needs, training, could be subject to an in-depth work, if needed.
- **experts**: a good opportunity to expand their network and knowledge on this topic.

To check the provisional agenda and other practical informations, kindly see the attached document.

Registrations are closed. For further information, please contact the METROPOLIS Secretariat General (mzapata@metropolis.org) and IAU-îdF (metropolis@iau-idf.fr).