

**DRAFT AGENDA - TUDCN POLICY WORKING GROUP AND CIVICUS WORLD  
ASSEMBLY**

**9-12 September 2011, Montreal**

Address PWG:

Holiday Inn Select Montréal Centre-Ville

99 ouest, avenue Viger

Montréal (Québec)

*Address CIVICUS WORLD ASSEMBLY:*

<http://www.civicassembly.org/montreal.php>

**Palais des Congrès**

201 Ave Viger Ouest

5th floor, Foyer Viger

[Palais des Congrès Website](#)

**Friday 9<sup>th</sup> of September**

CIVICUS World Assembly Pre-Conference: <http://www.civicusassembly.org/PreConference.php>

8:00 – 20:00 Registration at the Delta Hotel

8:30 – 17:00 AGNA Annual General Meeting (Affinity Group if National Associations)

15:00 – 19:00 TUDCN PWG

## Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> of September

Day 1 CIVICUS World Assembly: <http://www.civicassembly.org/Day1.php>

9:00 – 17:00 Registration at the Palais des Congrès

8:30 – 9:00 Official Opening and Agenda Setting

9:00 – 10:15 10<sup>th</sup> CIVICUS World Assembly: Taking Stick and Moving Forward

11:00 – 12:30 1<sup>st</sup> Plenary: “Civil Society’s Role in Political and Social Transformation: Before and After the Revolution “

14:00 – 15:30 Work Sessions

### Track 1: Development Effectiveness

- Can humanitarian aid be sustainable?
- Do NGO Self-Regulation Mechanisms Work?
- On the Road to an International Framework for CSO Development Effectiveness: The Open Forum process, outcomes and impact

### Track 2: Climate Justice

- Voices and perspectives on Rio+20 and Green Growth
- New Generational Leadership for Climate Justice

### Track 3: Connecting People through Technology

- Public & Private Sector Collaboration Harnesses Technology for Good
- Doing advocacy better with new media

### Track 4: Civil Society and Democratic Space

- Religion and Faith-Based Organizations in global decision making and social transformation
- Mobilizing the Masses! Tools for campaigning on poverty and human rights
- Devising Practice-Based Principles for Civil Society Engagement with Multilateral Bodies: An Open Dialogue
- Civil Society under Threat: Resisting the clampdown on civil society (TBC)

16:00 – 19:00 TUDCN PWG

## Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> of September

Day 2 CIVICUS World Assembly: <http://www.civicassembly.org/Day2.php>

8:00 – 17:00 Registration at the Palais des Congrès

8:30 – 9:00 Reporting from Day 1

9:00 – 10:15 2<sup>nd</sup> Plenary: “Global Decision Making: Moving the margins to the centre”

11:00 – 12:30 Work Sessions

### Track 1: Development Effectiveness

- Canada – Bolivia Partnership Building between two native organizations
- Global Corporate Employee Engagement – Inspiring Practices, Impact for Development
- Relationships between international cooperation and civil society in Argentina: Towards a strategic Alliance
- Sheikh Jarrah Solidarity, the Silwan Wadi Hilweh Information Center and the Human Rights Defenders Fund: the success of a new joint Israeli/Palestinian grassroots activism cooperation model (TBC)

### Track 2: Climate Justice

- Green Climate Funds: Financing for Climate Justice, and not climate structural adjustment
- Three levels of action for Global Food Security
- Bringing the margins to the centre: How can the private sector and civil society work better together? TBC

### Track 3: Connecting People through Technology

- Integrating web 2.0 technologies and mobile phones to simplify, improve and heighten civil society use of new technologies to expand the technological pathways to inclusion and participation in global decision making at all levels
- Connecting People Through Technology: Volunteering online - TBC

### Track 4: Civil Society and Democratic Space

- Challenges Facing Women Human Rights Defenders in Africa: Programmatic and Institutional Responses
- Learning on Effective Engagement with the UNHRC
- Democratic space and Impact: Challenges faced by Latin American Civil Society / Espacios democráticos e incidencia: Retos para la sociedad civil en América Latina

14:00 – 17:00 Work Sessions

Track 1: Development Effectiveness

- Ways to Strengthen the Voice of Civil Society
- Political-Process Monitoring: Activist Tool and Techniques
- Multi-stakeholder Dialogue and CSO Development Effectiveness (TBC)

Track 2: Climate Justice

- Model Forest: A collaborative and participatory model that truly works
- Breaking the walls: looking at COP17 and Rio+20, how can climate oriented movements bring on board the more traditional CSOs in these discussions? (TBC)

Track 3: Connecting People through Technology

- How civil society can use social media: confronting obstacles and constraints
- How to Securely use the Internet and Mobile Technology for Civic Engagement

Track 4: Civil Society and Democratic Space

- CSO Learning on Effective Engagement with the IACHR (Inter-American Commission on Human Rights)
- Citizen participation: A how-to guide
- Increasing effectiveness through better understandings of power
- What do human rights mean to you? Human rights learning as a way of life
- Citizen participation models and public governance: Five case studies (local and international)

14:00 – 17:00 Workshop: “Beyond 2015: shaping the post-MDG Agenda”

16:00 – 19:00: TUDCN PWG

19:00 – 23:00 Dinner and Dance evening

## Monday 12<sup>th</sup> of September

Day 3 CIVICUS World Assembly: <http://www.civicusassembly.org/Day3.php>

8:00 – 17:00 Registration at the Palais des Congrès

8:30 – 17:00 Reporting from Day 2

9:00 – 10:15 3<sup>rd</sup> Plenary: “Climate Justice: A Momentous Battle for Human Rights”

11:00 – 12:30 Work Sessions

### Track 1: Development Effectiveness

- Multilateral Development Banks: How can they facilitate citizen empowerment?
- Making development cooperation just: A new Aid Architecture
- Exploring volunteerism’s role in enhancing citizen participation in development effectiveness and participatory governance
- The Millennium development Goals (TBC)

### Track 2: Climate Justice

- Bringing the margins to the centre: How can indigenous and vulnerable groups be integrated in the climate negotiations? (TBC)
- The many faces of the climate movement - A discussion on partner engagement and public mobilisation

### Track 3: Connecting People through Technologie

- Solutions and strategies to the educational integration of new technologies into communities
- Social media and elections – Will the candidate with the most Facebook friends, youtube clips and tweets win?

### Track 4: Civil Society and Democratic Space

- Protection of Human Rights defenders
- Civil Society at Crossroads
- Democratic space and Impact: Challenges faced by Latin American Civil Society

14:00 – 15:30 Open regional Meetings

14:00 – 16:00: TUDCN PWG

**Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> and Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> of September**

**Multi Stakeholder Task-Team on CSO Effectiveness:**

For further details see <http://www.cso-effectiveness.org/-multi-stakeholder-task-team,079-.html>