

# ICMA International



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*Leaders at the Core of Better Communities*

## Proven Results

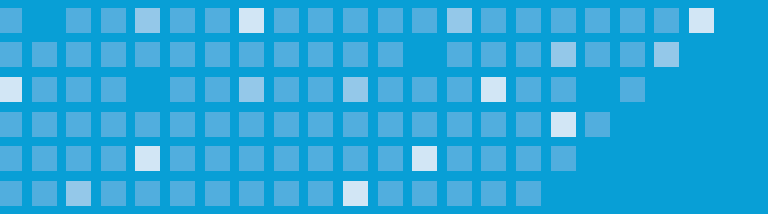
ICMA International has a successful track record of introducing sound management practices to local governments, municipal associations, non-governmental organizations, national ministries, and agencies in developing countries and emerging democracies throughout the world.

ICMA's expertise and experience are informed by and adapted to local conditions and circumstances through collaboration with local partners. The result is an appropriate, sustainable approach that increases the standard of services delivered and enhances citizen participation in local government affairs.

ICMA International prides itself on resolving global challenges through practical, well informed local solutions. It accomplishes this by actively

- Promoting professional development in all forms of local and subnational government.
- Providing technical assistance to local government professionals and supporters to improve their skills, increase their knowledge, and strengthen their commitment to the ethics, values, and ideals of the profession as it evolves in their local context.
- Serving as a resource for the collection and dissemination of information, including innovative local government practices, to facilitate replication.





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## **Capacity Building**

ICMA International provides the technical and management assistance, training, and knowledge to create real, lasting change in communities around the world. ICMA is dedicated to a hands-on, practical approach that is based on proven management techniques; inclusive, democratic processes; and sound policy analysis. We work not only with local government leaders, professionals, and staff, but also with national government officials and civil society to support comprehensive and sustainable change. Drawing upon the practical knowledge and expertise of its members, consultants, and staff, ICMA creates programs both at home and abroad that are designed to help recipients meet their local challenges.

## Partnerships

ICMA International is committed to peer exchanges and partnerships that encourage sharing and replication of leading practices in the local government sector. ICMA members currently facilitate working relationships among many U.S. cities committed to supporting urban development internationally through ICMA's CityLinks Program, which was preceded by Resource Cities and other twinning programs. Partnerships and peer exchanges are an integral part of our technical assistance and training, and reflect our hands-on approach to problem solving and learning. Since 1989, ICMA has facilitated more than 100 partnerships that have brought together leading practitioners from U.S. local governments and local government associations with their counterparts in developing and transitional countries.

## Global Reach

ICMA is headquartered in Washington, D.C. To support its work, ICMA has also established two permanent international offices: ICMA Latinoamérica and ICMA South Asia. In addition, field offices are established for all long-term programs. ICMA texts have been translated from English into numerous other languages, including Spanish, Polish, Russian, and Hungarian. Providing access to up-to-date local government information, events, and publications in English and Spanish, the ICMA Web site ([icma.org](http://icma.org)) is a resource for local government professionals around the world. ICMA's annual conference serves as a meeting point each year for thousands of members and local government professionals from around the globe, with 19 countries represented in 2005. ICMA staff, who come from more than 20 countries and speak 25 languages, ensure that our work is relevant and accessible to our colleagues.

## Areas of Expertise

- Sustainable Local Economic Development
- Accountable Governance, Leadership, and Citizen Involvement
- Transparent Financial Management and Budgeting
- Efficient and Effective Service Delivery and Environmental Management
- Performance Measurement and Program Evaluation
- Advocacy and Local Government Association Management
- Policy Analysis and Development
- Local Government Ethics and Anti-Corruption Strategies
- Infrastructure Development and Management



## ICMA Global Experience

Afghanistan	Haiti	Panama
Albania	Honduras	Paraguay
Argentina	Hungary	Philippines
Armenia	India	Poland
Bolivia	Indonesia	Romania
Bosnia	Iraq	Russia
Botswana	Jamaica	Serbia
Brazil	Jordan	Slovakia
Bulgaria	Kazakhstan	South Africa
Chile	Kenya	Sri Lanka
Colombia	Kyrgyzstan	Suriname
Costa Rica	Macedonia	Swaziland
Croatia	Mali	Thailand
Czech Republic	Mexico	Tunisia
Ecuador	Mongolia	Uganda
El Salvador	Montenegro	Ukraine
Ethiopia	Morocco	Venezuela
Georgia	Mozambique	Yugoslavia
Guatemala	Nicaragua	Zambia
Guyana	Nigeria	Zimbabwe

For current program information, see  
[icma.org/international](http://icma.org/international)



## About ICMA

ICMA is the premier local government leadership and management organization. Its mission is to create excellence in local governance by developing and fostering professional management of local government worldwide. Since 1914, ICMA has provided technical and management assistance, training, and information resources to its members and to the local government community around the world. The management decisions made by ICMA's over 9,000 members affect more than 100 million individuals in thousands of communities—from small towns with populations of a few hundred to metropolitan areas serving several million.

Since 1989, ICMA International has leveraged the experience of local government practitioners and veteran international consultants to further the ICMA mission to create excellence in local governance worldwide. ICMA International has successfully designed, implemented, and evaluated more than 500 international projects, establishing a solid reputation for its practical, hands-on approach to meeting the challenges faced by communities around the world.



## ICMA's Mission:

To create excellence in local governance by developing and fostering professional local government management worldwide.



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