



POST LEARNING EVENT REPORTING TEMPLATE

As part of eThekweni Municipality's commitment to strengthen our organisation's culture of learning and sharing, this form presents information on a recent out of town trip, visit, learning exchange undertaken by an official from the municipality. This information will be posted on the MILE website (www.mile.org.za) in the interest of advancing our **KNOWLEDGE MANAGEMENT** agenda. Thank you for taking the time to complete the form.

1. What was the NAME OF THE EVENT?

World Urban Forum

2. The DATE attended:

9/2/2012 to 9/6/2012

3. VENUE

(further details on venue)

World Urban Forum, Naples, Italy

4. OFFICIALS WHO ATTENDED?

Elizabeth Dubbeld, Senior Professional Planner, Framework Planning Branch, Development Planning Department

5. What area of expertise did the event cover?

Culture, heritage and sport	<input type="checkbox"/>	Engineering and the built environment	x	IT and Finance	<input type="checkbox"/>
Economic development and Tourism	x	Health and Safety	<input type="checkbox"/>	City strategy and planning	x
Energy and the natural environment	<input type="checkbox"/>	Good governance	x		
Other:					

6. What was the PURPOSE OF THE EVENT, THE BROAD OBJECTIVES, AND THEMES? Why was it of importance?

The World Urban Forum is a world-wide gathering of urban planning and governance representatives, to share knowledge, network and present key findings on urban planning and development throughout the world.

7. What in your opinion are some of the KEY LEARNINGS that you came away with? In other words, what stood out for you? Were there any "aha!" learning moments that you can share with colleagues? What were some of the KEY OBSERVATIONS that were important or different?

As a representative of the Durban-Bremen Climate Change partnership, it was great to share our experiences in international cooperation and cooperative project management with other delegates at the conference. It was astounding to see the great variety and degree of innovation taking place all over the world, and to realise that South Africa in general, and eThekweni in particular, has a lot to share with other countries in terms of developmental innovation and best practice.

I was also able to observe some of the significant developmental challenges that other countries are experiencing and take away ideas for lessons eThekweni can learn.

8. As a result of this event, what is the ONE CHANGE that you may consider making backing back at work, if any? What follow ups are envisaged?

I would allow myself to be more innovative in strategic planning exercises, both in trusting the ability of technology and the ability of communities to assist in and drive planning processes

9. Please indicate details of useful CONTACTS AND NETWORKS that were established during the event?

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