



DATE 2 November 2016
To **The Executive Mayor**
P de Lille

ITEM 01/02/11/16

Dear Madam Mayor,

The **attached** undermentioned Feedback Trip Report is submitted to you for consideration and noting:

FEEDBACK FROM MR CLAUS RABE'S TRIP TO GOTHENBURG, SWEDEN, REPRESENTING THE CITY OF CAPE TOWN AS PART OF A PARTNERSHIP ESTABLISHED BETWEEN THE CITY OF CAPE TOWN, AFRICAN CENTRE FOR CITIES AND MISTRA URBAN FUTURES, FROM 16 TO 24 SEPTEMBER 2016


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Manager: Executive Committee Services
Office of the Executive Director: Corporate Services and Compliance



REPORT TO THE EXECUTIVE MAYOR

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1. ITEM NUMBER

2. SUBJECT

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3. EVENT SUMMARY

EVENT DETAILS	
CONFERENCE/SEMINAR	Realising Just Cities – Co-Production in Action
OTHER	Mr Claus Rabe was nominated to represent the City of Cape Town at the conference and to share his insights and experiences arising from his leading role in driving co-production of knowledge between the City and the University of Cape Town under the auspices of the Mistra Urban Futures Knowledge Transfer Project.
DATE	19th to the 21st of September 2016
VENUE	CHALMERS UNIVERSITY CONFERENCE CENTRE
CITY	GOTHENBURG
COUNTRY	SWEDEN

ATTENDEE DETAILS	
NAME AND SURNAME	DESIGNATION
CLAUS RABE	PRINCIPAL PLANNER
PROVIDE SUMMARY OF HOST ORGANISATION / CITY	
<p>The City and the University of Cape Town ("UCT")) entered into a Memorandum of Agreement ("MoA") in 2012 to establish a partnership known as the Mistra Urban Futures Knowledge Transfer Cooperation and Exchange Project. This agreement formalises a long-term partnership to ensure that the highest possible standards of evidence-based research, urban planning and sustainability practises are integrated into City policy.</p> <p>Recognising that ongoing skills and capacity development, enrichment opportunities and incorporation into the global debate of City staff is essential if the City is to develop into global leaders able to shape the future of Cape Town, the MoA affords the City the opportunity to nominate officials to attend conferences funded by the Mistra Urban Futures Programme.</p>	

4. OBJECTIVE

- To present a paper reflecting on "Learning form Coproduction", specifically reflecting on his involvement on the MUF/CoCT/ACC Knowledge Transfer Program and the City Officials Exchange programme.
- To participate in workshops with practitioners and academics from Mistra Urban Future's other Local Interaction Platforms in Kisumu, Manchester, Gothenburg and Malmo.

5. OUTCOMES

- Mr Rabe presented his work on Day 1, in a session entitled "Learning from Co-Production". He showcased the City's flagship work on data-driven planning (known as **ECAMP**), and thereby promote the City as a model of excellence and innovation in government. The reception from the international audience at the conference was positive. Mr Rabe networked with a number of people afterwards to further collaboration.
- In preparation for the subsequent workshops with practitioners and academics from Mistra Urban Future's other Local Interaction Platforms in Kisumu, Manchester, Gothenburg and Malmo, Mr Rabe initiated a coordination session amongst Cape Town delegates to ensure that the message with regards to the importance of TOD research is received by the MISTRA funders. Mr Rabe thus supported the extension of the partnership which enabled the recruitment of a further two embedded PhD researchers for a period of 3 years focusing on TOD research.

- The most positive outcome however was the strengthening of relations between the City (represented by Mr Rabe) and the ACC.

6. ACTIONS REQUIRED

- City to follow up on invitation by Dr Warren Smit from the African Centre for Cities to provide input into the format and content of the MISTRA Urban Futures conference to be hosted in Cape Town in 2018.
- City to invite ACC-based experts to participate in upcoming workshop on resilience in infrastructure planning being organised and facilitated by Professor Dan Smit as part of the City of Cape Town's Medium Term Infrastructure Investment Framework.

7. IMPLICATIONS

7.1 Constitutional and Policy Implications No ☒

7.2 Environmental implications No ☒

7.3 Financial Implications No ☒

7.4 Legal Implications No ☒

7.5 Staff Implications No ☒

7.6 Risk Implications No ☒

8. OTHER SERVICES CONSULTED

N/A

9. RECOMMENDATIONS

RECOMMENDED that:

- a) THIS REPORT BE NOTED.

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work has received acclaim from the Cape Town Chamber of Commerce, the Economic Development Partnership, National Treasury and the World Bank, among others.

The success of ECAMP as an exemplary account of co-production has precipitated other areas of co-production between Mr Rabe and external stakeholders, such as concurrent urban simulation projects with the World Bank and the Centre for Scientific and Industrial Research, and the development of a Housing Dashboard with National Treasury. He also leads a cross-sectoral investigation into the infrastructure requirements and lifecycle costs for the city's future land use scenarios. As part of this work stream, Mr Rabe is working with local experts in preparing a concept paper on urban resilience to guide the City's participation in the 100 Resilience Cities network. As part of his proactive collaboration with academia, Mr Rabe lectures regularly to Planning and Property Economics postgraduate students at the University of Cape Town, as well as planning professionals.

For the reasons stated above, Mr Rabe was therefore uniquely placed to represent the City and provide input into the conference on the application of co-production of knowledge in Cape Town in partnership between local government, academia and other roleplayers/ potential contributors.

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The most positive outcome however was the strengthening of relations between the City (represented by Mr Rabe) and the ACC. Testament to this outcome is, firstly, the invitation by ACC's Dr Warren Smit for Mr Rabe's input into the format and content of the MISTRA Urban Futures conference to be hosted in Cape Town in 2018. Secondly, Mr Rabe has secured the commitment of a ACC-based PhD student Liza Cirolia to provide expert input and participation into the City's ongoing work in improving city resilience as part of the City's Medium Term Infrastructure Investment Framework.

11. ANNEXURES

N/A

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EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

COMMENT:

NAME

DATE

20/10/2016


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DR. DENVER VAN SCHALKWYK

COMMENT:

NOTED

DATE

25/10/2016

CITY MANAGER
ACHMAT EBRAHIM



☒ SUPPORTED FOR ONWARD SUBMISSION
TO MAYOR ☒ / MAYCO ☐ / COUNCIL ☐

☐ NOT SUPPORTED

☐ REFERRED BACK

DATE

25.10.2016

COMMENT:

☐ REPORT COMPLIANT WITH THE
PROVISIONS OF COUNCIL'S
DELEGATIONS, POLICIES, BY-LAWS AND
ALL LEGISLATION RELATING TO THE
MATTER UNDER CONSIDERATION.

☐ NON-COMPLIANT

COMMENT:

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DATE

25/10/2016

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COMMENT:

MAYORAL COMMITTEE MEMBER

NAME

JFH v/d MERWE

DATE

27/10/2016

EXECUTIVE MAYOR

PATRICIA DE LILLE

☐ SUPPORTED FOR ONWARD SUBMISSION
TO MAYCO ☐ / COUNCIL ☐:

☐ PC RECOMMENDATION

☐ RECOMMENDATION AS CONTAINED
IN ORIGINAL REPORT

☐ ALTERNATIVE RECOMMENDATION
TO BE REFLECTED BELOW

☐ APPROVED I.T.O. DELEGATED
AUTHORITY

☐ NOTED

☐ REFUSED

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