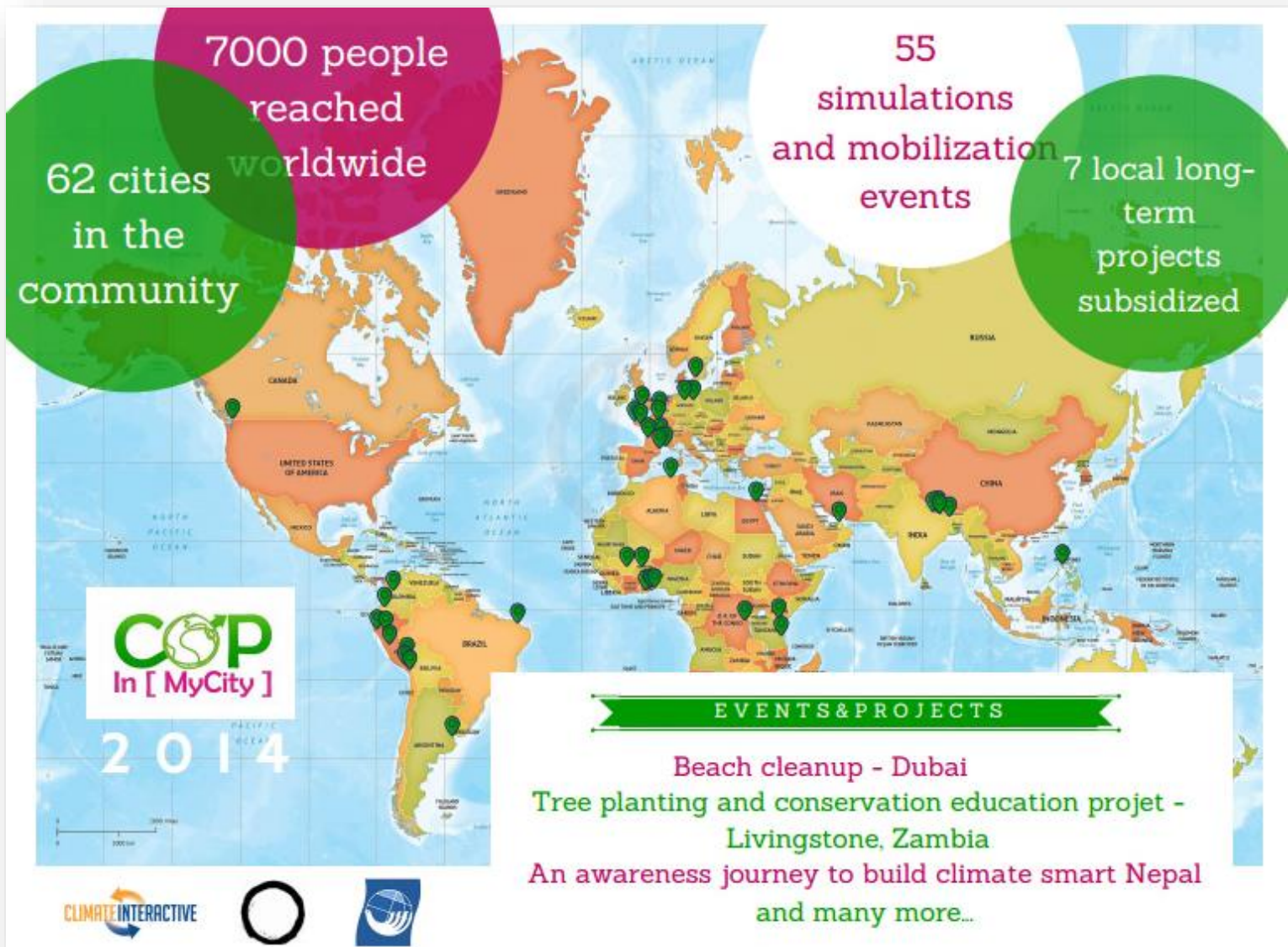


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What is COP in MyCity?

*COP in MyCity is a youth-led project which ambitions to bridge the gap between yearly climate negotiations (a.k.a. the **COPs** – Conference of Parties) and the mainstream public, foster **education and action about climate change** locally and create an **international community** of agents of change committed to global cooperation and dialogue on climate change. The idea is **commitment and empowerment** of young people to fight climate change, mitigate and better understand climate change issues. COP in MyCity project give keys to **become a change maker***

bridging the gap between Paris-based participants and the delegation at COP18 in Doha via Skype calls. Moreover, various activities were organized such as a Flashmob, open workshops with citizens in public places and conferences with civil society representatives.

COP 19 and Warsaw in Paris: let's get more ambitious!



UNITED NATIONS
CLIMATE CHANGE CONFERENCE
COP19/CMP9
WARSAW 2013

The very beginning...

In 2012, the [MyCity+20](#) movement aimed at empowering young people with the concept of "**simul-action: simulations that lead to action**", which consisted in simulations of the Rio+20 Summit in ten different cities, paired with a debriefing phase and on-going mobilization. The core idea was to prove that youth was ready to play an active part in international negotiations and to shape its own vision for a sustainable world.

... COP18 and Doha in Paris



COP18/CMP8
DOHA 2012
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In December 2012, [CliMates](#) and [the REFEDD](#) (French Student Network for Sustainable Development) used this concept to organised **a week of awareness-raising around the COP18 in Qatar**. This event aimed at "inviting COP18" in Paris in order for students to discover the complexity of negotiation processes. The project also focused on

The team decided to expand its initiative and created the Warsaw in Paris project: a **mobilization and training initiative around the COP19**. Technically, Warsaw in Paris was like Doha in Paris with a large education phase prior to the COP including the process of "simul-action" of MyCity+20. Our team organizes workshops about negotiation processes, simulations of the COP in one high school and three universities in the Ile-de-France region, as well as the sending of a French youth delegation to Warsaw to attend the COP19 in November.

Let's get come crazy and international, COP in MyCity launch!

Following the Warsaw in Paris initiative, [COP in MyCity](#) was launched by [CliMates](#) in August 2013 and pushed for young climate leaders and youth organizations across the world to "invite" climate negotiations to their cities by running a simulation of climate negotiations and by mobilizing young people through concrete projects focused on the issue of climate change. In 2013, 46 events and 17 simulations were organised across the five continents with 1300 people reached.

Tools & Methodology

COP in MyCity is an awareness-raising youth-led project organized in many cities of the world, around the official UNFCCC Conferences of the Parties. It can be a several months-long, large-scale process, or a shorter and smaller series of creative events. It follows three main steps: Training, Mobilization and Debriefing.



Before the COP: Education and awareness-raising

In order to reach as many people as possible, we need to ensure that everyone understands what is at stake. It can be done with micro-conferences that call back causes, consequences and issues about climate change. Then let's the fun part begin. **Simulation role-games** are one of the best tools to make people understand climate negotiations and climate issues.



to know what's going on in the negotiation processes. That is the time where we bridge the gap between the COP and us. Discover what you can do. Our [Mobilization Toolkits are available](#) in English, French and Spanish on our website.

After the COP: Debriefing

This time is devoted to discussion within our team and within the COP in MyCity community. We will share the results of our simulations and get all our positions reviewed. This is also the time where we will each discuss about what we can do at our city's level to fight against climate change.

Tools: Mobilization, Simulation and Change-Maker [Toolkits](#).



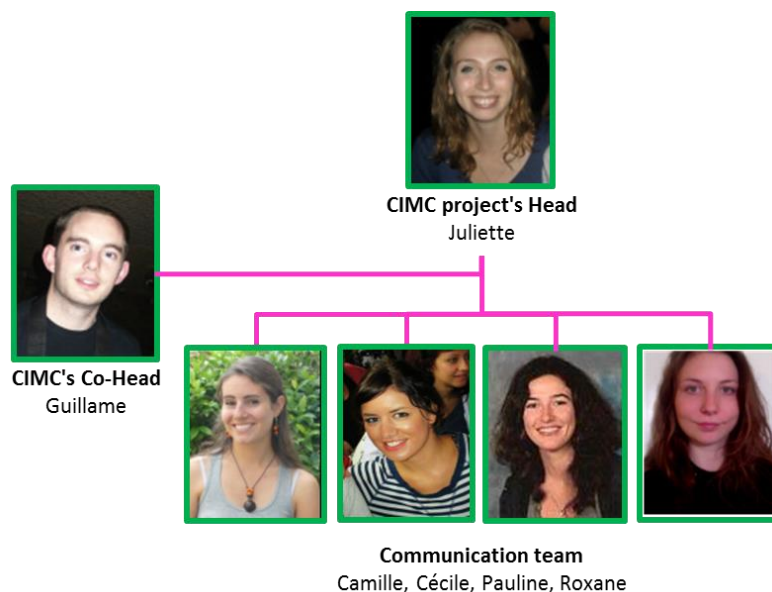
During the COP: Mobilization

Let's make some noise! We need to mobilize citizens and young people in our cities during the COP for everyone



>> Central organisation

The central organisation works on **creating training and tools** which are then available for COP in MyCity organisator all around the world. It is also the **coordination center of all projects** and experience **capitalisation**. Finally, this entity is **linking local to global approaches**.



>> Regional coordinators

This year, the **international organisation is structuring** itself with Regional Coordinators. They are referents for a great region of the world to **facilitate development and communication** through the COP in MyCity community.



➤ Country ambassadors

Country ambassadors are **key local scale actors**. They are working on **finding new fellows**: the COP' leaders and **building partnerships** with local authorities, NGO's, etc.



France

Nepal



Costa Rica



Mexico



India



United Arab Emirates

➤ COP' Leader's

COP' Leaders are **project leaders in their own city**. They are the organisers of all COP in MyCity events. They commit to follow the three steps (training, mobilization and debriefing) with a Memorandum Of Understanding. Once signed, they can access to conference support and useful documents for simulations.

"It really helped me and other youths to pay rent to the mother earth somehow by contributing for its conservation through simulation."

Ashmita Rawa,
Pokhara

➤ International partners

Climate Interactive



The Earth Charter



Connected Voices



➤ French partners

REFEDD



Avenir Climatique



2014 Global Results

62 cities in the COP in MyCity community



55

Simulations of
COP20 and Events

7 000

People reached
worldwide

7

Winners of the
« ChangeMaker »
Grant

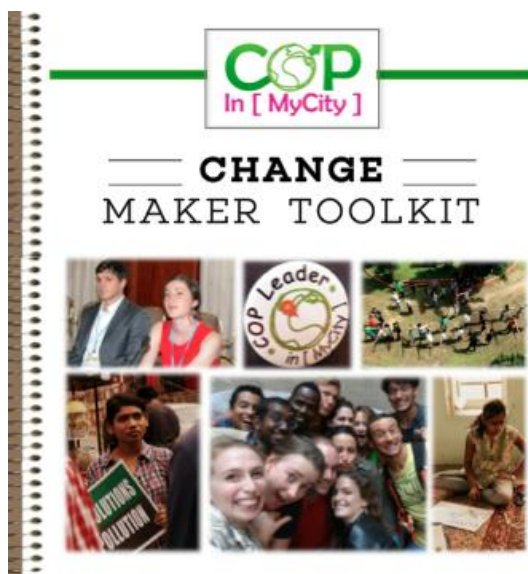
PART 1: TRAINING

a) COP in MyCity increases knowledge

Training: in order to reach as many people as possible, we need to ensure that everyone know what is at stake.

How to become a change maker?

This year, COP in MyCity launched a **brand new toolkit called “How to become a change maker?”**. This guide is designed to give tips about project management to young people willing to make concrete change on the ground in their countries.



Project planning

A. Organisation and financing

How to prepare your event upstream

1. Target your public

The first step to get a successful event is for you to define its targeted public. To who will this event be addressed? Professionals in the field of expertise of the chosen theme, university students, young people, civil society, consumers...? The shape of your event and the communication will highly depend on the targeted public.

2. Place

Thinking about the place is strategic. You need a place which is adapted to the event, and if possible, in connection with the theme of the event. Don't forget to check the prices of the prospective places, and to see if it matches the pre-assessed budget.

The selection and booking of the place need to be thought in the early stages of the project planning. Make sure the place is well served by public transportation, and if not, indicate the different ways to get there.

3. Date

Take a particular care in picking a date. To plan your event, it's best to avoid the school holidays periods. Check if other events in your area will be held at the same time. If it targets the same audience, it might be considered as competition and might get you a low rate of attendees. Don't forget to think about the cocktail if necessary and to check the time zone in case of an online event with participants abroad from different time zones.



4. Speakers

You can intervene and do the speaking yourself during the events you plan. You can also call for another speaker, an external expert. It can be a person from your professional circle, or someone renowned in the specific field of expertise your event is about, or a person from a well-known organisation in your area or on a larger scale. A famous expert

Best videos on climate change

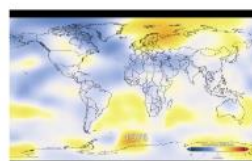
The sharing of education resources on climate change issues and international negotiations is important to improve initiatives worldwide with solidarity. COP in MyCity proposed to young people to participate in an innovative video tracking contest ****Best videos of climate change****. Invited to remember when they first learnt about climate change and how to tackle it, participants submitted the most interesting videos about climate issues they could find on the internet.



Climate Science and Climate Change Consequences



Earth Giant Game of Tetris by Joss Fong (TED)
spotted by Astrid



NASA climate time machine
spotted by Juliette

b) Training sessions: skills and knowledge developed

Below are listed the training sessions organized by COP'leaders:

- Project management: organizational and communication skills, management of resources, team work
- Climate science, water, energy
- Causes and consequences of climate change
- UNFCCC negotiations and climate diplomacy
- Mitigation and adaptation strategies
- Investment in renewables and technology transfers
- Empowering indigenous peoples and women
- ICTs in the fight against climate change
- Public speaking, advocacy



Lima in Calavi, Bénin



COP in MyCity Tanzania on how to use a social media and ICT in climate change





c) Simula

COP in MyCity
bridges gaps with

UNFCCC negotiations

COP leaders are using different ways to simulate the Conference of Parties. World Climate Simulation with C-ROADS: This year, COP in Buenos Aires, Dubai, Lund and Berlin are among the initiatives that chose to enable participants to experience the dynamics that emerge as nations negotiate a global deal on climate change. Thanks to our partnership with [Climate Interactive](#), participants used the C-ROADS computer

simulation that enables to find out how their decisions impact the global climate system in real time. Each participant plays the role of a delegate representing a specific country or region of the world. Then participants work together, in their specific roles, to take decisions and reach consensus towards a new global agreement that limits global warming to 2°C above preindustrial times.

Commitments taken in the rounds of negotiations

World Climate Simulation, C-ROADS: **COP in Dubai** had a simulation in 3 rounds and reported these results.

1 st ROUND	CO2 emissions growth stop year	CO2 emissions start year of decline	Rate of decline (%)
Developed countries	2014	2050	5
Developing countries A	2030	2040	6
Developing countries B	2050	2060	2
2 nd ROUND			
Developed countries	2014	2040	8
Developing countries A	2025	2035	10
Developing countries B	2060	2070	3
3 rd ROUND			
Developed countries	2014	2035	9
Developing countries A	2025	2030	4
Developing countries B	2060	2070	3

COP in Lund used the 6 regions format and obtained these final results:

Last ROUND	CO2 emissions growth stop year	CO2 emissions start year of decline	Rate of decline (%)
USA	2020	2030	2
EU	2020	2030	2
China	2040	2050	5
India	2100	2100	0
Other developed	2030	2040	1.5

COP in Berlin also chose the 6 regions format. Participants realized how difficult it is to find a consensus on the Green Climate Fund. Developed countries were far from contributing enough to the Fund to meet the requirements. Moreover, these countries

were also reluctant to accepting REDD+ measures as a real commitment to reduce CO₂ emissions because they assumed corruption would prevent those measures to be effective.

Other formats of simulation

COP in Pokhara held a simulation on the basis of outcomes from the current on-going negotiations with some factual data on emissions, sea level rise, and temperature increase. Participants also worked on estimated required budget and prioritized the themes to discuss.

COP in Chitwan organized a simulation through the format of a 'world café'. \$ 12

billion was promised by the developed countries to the developing countries, via the Green Climate Fund, for disaster preparedness and climate resilient livelihood. Industrialized countries including economies in transition said they would cut off their emissions by 20% compared with 2005 level. In exchange, developing countries said they would increase their forest coverage and restore degraded lands.

Simulations in pictures

Africa

Lima in Bamako, Mali at the Ministry of Environment:



Asia and the Middle East

Lima in Pokhara, Nepal



COP in MyCity in Nepal, carried by Bynd2015 Nepal Hub



COP in MyCity Saidabad, India



Latin America

Lima à Cusco, Peru



PART 2: MOBILIZATION

COP in MyCity Community common events

People's Climate March: COP in MyCity asked COP'leaders for all over the world to take "selfies" with their commitment messages.



COP in MyCity Side-Event at COY10 (Conrence of Youth): A beautiful mural representing the ideas and visions of our COP'leaders from all over the world was painted collaboratively during the 10th Conference of Youth (COY10). **The video** of the event is available here ([ENGLISH](#) & [FRENCH](#) subtitles).



COP in MyCity ChangeMaker Grant 2014: winning

In 2014, the COP in MyCity central team decided to sponsor local and concrete projects carried by COP'leaders in the world to fight directly or indirectly against climate change.

The winning projects are:

- « **Tree planting and conservation education projet** »
by Auldrige Chibbwalu (Zambia, Livingstone)
- « **Jeunesse, avenir de la cité** »
by Christel Kénou (Bénin, Cotonou)
- « **Projet de mobilisation de la jeunesse de Lomé sur les enjeux du changement climatique dans le cadre des COP** »
by Bernard Bokodjin (Togo, Lomé)
- « **Emission de radio sur l'environnement** »
by Guido Murhula (République Démocratique du Congo, Bukavu)
- « **Ciudad Sostenible** »
by Mery Liz Mendoza Portillo (Peru, Arequipa)
- « **Mi jardín en un Barranco** »
by Lili Ramirez Camos (Peru, Moyobamba)
- « **An awareness journey to build climate smart Nepal** »
by Rajendra Mishra (Nepal, Bhairhawa)

Here are some pictures of on-going projects

Lomé, Togo



Livingstone, Zambia



Arequipa, Lima

"Turning Voices into Action" flyer, Lima in Arequipa, Peru



COP in Buenos Aires did a flashmob in front of Buenos Aires city hall where participants had simulated COP 20.

COP in Pokhara organized a flashmob on 'Demanding Action For Commitments Towards Climate Change'. Following COP 20 of Lima, this mobilization was conducted to mobilize youth of different sectors to attract the attention of mass and alert the concerned leaders in decision-making process to hear the pledge for urgency to take action. About 50 participants walked all the way from Chaubiskoti to Saheed Chowk Nepal (1.5km) putting mask in their face and holding placard with pledges and messages for global leaders. The theme of putting mask was to symbolize 'we have heard a lot, we want to see visible actions now'. Chairmen of different eco-clubs gave their short insights about the current scenario of Climate Change in Nepal. In the center of the crowded city, youth participants displayed our placards silently for five minutes.

COP in Dar Es Salaam did an online campaign to promote a COP in MyCity photo contest and organized a flashmob and a

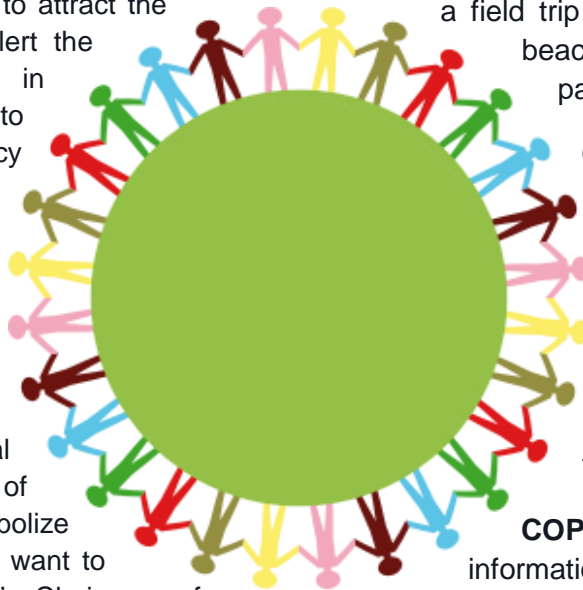
workshop. ForumCC, the NGO dealing with climate change issues in their city supported them. It was the first time for the COP' leaders to be part of a mobilization gathering 150 participants.

COP in Dubai spread youth climate action during a special week, including a flashmob, a field trip to an eco-reserve and a beach cleanup, gathering 200 participants.

COP in Bristol focused on mobilizing people for the People's Climate March in September in London to make this moment as big as possible alongside the UN Climate Summit hold by the UN Secretary-General.

COP in Berlin organized an information session and a skype interview in live with youth delegates attending COP 20 in Lima.

COP in Chitwan, Ilam, Bhairahawa, Hetauda, Nawalparasi, Bhaktapur and Pokhara reached 350 participants thanks to an online solidarity campaign, a Google hangout and several games.



Communication tools used in 2014:

This year, COP in MyCity around the world used innovative ways to involve people and encourage them to take action for a safer and clean planet. In addition to Facebook and Twitter, COP in Chitwan used news channels and FM radios, COP in Dar Es Salaam sent instant SMS, shared flyers and posters, COP in Dubai created a website, COP in Phokara

contacted personally people through phone calls, COP in Bristol sent regular newsletter through emails and posted blogs on their website, and COP in Mwanza made public addresses. Other initiatives also used school notices on public boards and developed connections in their community

Projects launched in cities after COP in MyCity

- **COP in Buenos Aires** is continuing the mobilization and tries to develop a functional structure that would allow them to form a strong web of participants that is willing to take action urgently.
- **COP in Berlin** is planning to do another simulation probably in school as they keep building on the support and networking with the city administration.
- **COP in Chitwan, Ilam, Bhairahawa, Hetauda, Nawalparasi, Bhaktapur and Pokhara:** one of the city in Nepal decided to increase youth programs regarding youth climate action.
- **COP in Mwanza** launched local project liked to climate change adaptation, mitigation, and youth and women empowerment through agricultural projects.
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Mobilization in pictures:

Asia and the Middle East

Flashmob in Pokhara on 'Demanding Action For Commitments Towards Climate Change'



Games, COP in MyCity Nepal



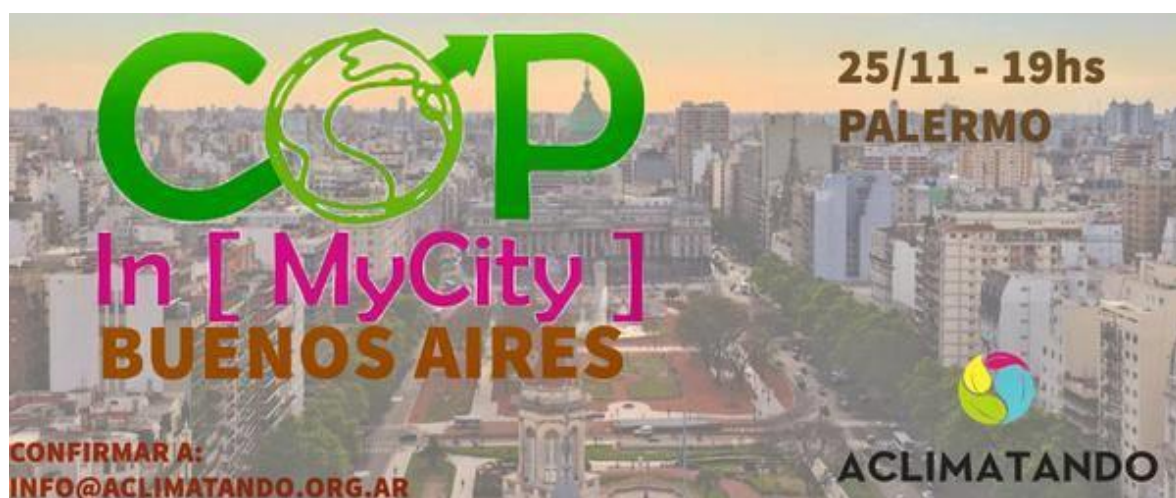
Beach cleanup, COP in Dubai



COP in MyCity UAE (Lima 20 in Dubai) 2014



Youth mobilization flyer by COP in Buenos Aires, Argentina



COP In [MyCity]



2015 Preparation

• Feedbacks of COP' leaders

Thanks to feedbacks we got from the COP' leaders, we identified some evolutions tracks. Communication materials are good but they need to be reinforced. We would create materials accessible to all, even without easy access. We would help our best all COP' leaders to support their efforts.

- More communication materials (particularly to countries which do not have easy access to computers and modern devices (C-Roads),
- Fundings,
- Improve sharing between organiser of COP in MyCity,
- More media coverage,
- Involved more directly professors and teachers to include Simulations in the educational program through diverse aspects (international relations, politics, negotiations...),
- Influencing local authorities – more partnership,
- Make COP in MyCity support by French embassies all over the world to have more impact on the road to 2015,
- Increasing the number of Regional coordinator / Country ambassadors.

• COP in MyCity 2015 Strategy

In 2015, the objectives are:

- Adapt the planning to the mobilization ahead of COP21,
 - o *The training part will go from April 2015 to June 2015*
 - o *The mobilization part will go from June to October*
- Valorise simulation' outcomes,
- Organize common events for the community,
- Launch a special mobilization project: **Innov'{City}** "Local Urban Sustainable Innovations",
- Sponsor local concrete projects carried by COP'leaders,
- Enable COP'leaders to attend COY11 in Paris (November),
- Prepare a special outcome for COP21.