THE BARCELONA MUNICIPAL IMMIGRATION COUNCIL’S WORK PLAN 2016-2019
PRESENTATION

We are presenting the Municipal Immigration Council (CMIB)’s Work Plan for 2016-2019. This Work Plan has been produced through the participation of the CMIB’s member organisations and the institution itself.

The European Charter for the Safeguarding of Human Rights in the City, adopted by Barcelona City Council and over 300 other European cities in 2000, defines a city as “a collective place that belongs to all of its inhabitants [who] have the right to encounter the necessary conditions for their political, social and ecological realisation, assuming the obligations of solidarity”. This means that local administrations have the obligation to ensure that this right does not end up as a worthless piece of paper.

We began our term of office in the City Council a year and a half ago; enough time to establish the main challenges we are facing in terms of immigration, shelter and citizenship rights. In this sense, we are pleased to see that the CMIB’s lines of action fully coincide with the priorities of this local government.

Making progress in the effective exercising of rights and equal opportunities is the main challenge that we have taken on board from the CMIB organisations. Some of the areas where we are still encountering barriers that affect immigrants include the right to vote, the right to housing, the right to universal health care and the right to family reunification. In order to overcome those barriers, we have put together an ambitious plan containing specific actions that will allow us to continue making progress towards full citizenship.

Today, we can affirm that thanks to the persistence and participation of the CMIB’s organisations, we have a really good Work Plan. Now the institution, the CMIB’s organisations and the general public as a whole must work hard to implement it.

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INTRODUCTION

The last few years have seen the Barcelona Municipal Immigration Council (CMIB) carrying out important work in defining and establishing its operational rules and in organising its work dynamics, procedures and structures, which have been consolidated and put at the service of our goals.
During the process for defining this new Work Plan, it was established that the lines of action, full citizenship, support for associations and internal operations should continue to determine the Council’s future work. As reflected in the Plan’s new goals and initiatives, it became clear at the first meeting with the Standing Committee and at subsequent meetings with all the organisations, that we had to make progress in the effective exercising of rights and equal opportunities.

We therefore wish to highlight the Legal Working Group, the instrument which the previous legislature began working with, and how carried out for drafting the document entitled The Municipal Immigration Council’s 67 proposals. Proposals for fostering the inclusion of migrants under the framework of Spain’s immigration law. This working group decided to keep its objective of monitoring immigration legislation and providing alternative and legally-reasoned solutions to regulations that exclude foreign residents. The group’s work is complemented by that of the Emergency Opinion Committee which has become established as an instrument for filing complaints and for raising the profile of topical issues that affect immigrants (right to vote, exploitation of immigration in elections, nationality-access barriers, difficulties in applying for appointments for obtaining NIE (Foreign-Resident ID) and for applying for asylum, and positioning on CIE foreigner-internment centres).

It has also been very involved in working group discussions concerning the empowerment of the organisations which is a basic strategy for achieving goals, and that the tools needed for achieving this must be wide ranging: information, training and opinion-shaping regarding issues that affect immigrants, refugees and asylum-seekers from a perspective of politising the general public and the creation of meeting and exchange platforms among organisations (face-to-face and online).

Here we need to highlight the Development Plan (under the framework of training sessions, tutorials and accompaniments) as the tool that has been retained over the last few years or facilitating access to useful information (email, chats etc.,) and a demand for creating new communication tools and channels such as work committees (Communication, Participation and Training) and the publication of an information bulletin self-managed by the organisations concerned.

We also wish to emphasise the CMIB’s aim of maintaining three important events in its calendar: the commemoration of the World Refugee Day (20 June), Barcelona Diverse City – Meeting of CMIB Organisations (end of October) and the awards ceremony for the CMIB Awards (around 18 December, International Migrants Day).

The Plan we are presenting here was submitted and approved in May 2016 and drafted on the basis of work meetings and consensus. There are several annexes at the end of the document which provide information on the drafting process and on CMIB members.
Cities are becoming models for championing human rights on a global scale, although above all, they are and must be a place for respecting citizenship rights. Full citizenship, understood as the exercising of political, social, civic, economic and cultural rights, is intrinsically linked to recognizing everyone as citizens irrespective of their origins or administrative status. Such recognition involves the Administration becoming a guarantor for these rights and it must therefore establish the conditions for making them effective. The Municipal Immigration Council works within this framework and we aim to influence public decisions which affect foreigners. But at the same time, we also wish to help build a city that is fairer for everyone. Barcelona City Council has been equipping itself with a legal framework and instruments for years. This Work Plan is one of them, allowing it to make progress in guaranteeing the universal rights we have just mentioned. Here at the CMIB we are looking for strategies that enable us to identify and break down the barriers that prevent foreigners from exercising their rights, taking into account the concept of intersectionality and a gender perspective.

The City Council must guarantee and promote equal opportunities, which means going beyond guaranteeing access to public resources and services for all citizens. In other words, the public powers are under an obligation to promote the active participation of foreign residents in the various spheres of public life. In short, they have to actively promote the full development of everyone who chooses to live here. We therefore believe that we need to implement positive-action measures and we shall be working to this end.

There is no place in the city for discrimination, racism or xenophobia. Administrations have a duty to fight against the infringement of rights and to compensate those affected by the consequences of such infringements. But they also have a duty to prevent such infringements of rights from occurring. That is why we in the CMIB have to create new tools that enable us to detect, tackle and resolve discriminatory situations, as well as raise their profile. We have an important role in making the city’s foreign residents aware of their rights, and we are very strong advocates for publicly denouncing situations where basic rights have been infringed. Respecting diversity is a human-rights issue and it is inseparable from democracy.
GOALS AND INITIATIVES

1.1. Identifying the barriers that make it harder for migrants to exercise their human rights and proposing and/or creating answers that help them to break those barriers down

INITIATIVES:

• Presenting to the Full Council Meeting and/or the working groups involved in the rights and immigration studies: the right to vote, to participate, to housing, to family reunification etc.

• Creating advisory and working groups that propose solutions to difficulties and the barriers to exercising human rights.

• Bringing continuity to the Legal Working Group as advisers to the CMIB and for creating proposals that require expertise in this field.

• Making proposals for fostering the participation of foreign residents in public decision-making platforms.

• Providing information on the direct-democracy and participatory processes taking place in the city (popular votes, referendums, candidates for other participation platforms, etc.)

• Detecting elements that prevent or hinder equal access to basic services and making proposals for overcoming them.

1.2. Suggesting strategies and initiatives that promote equal opportunities for overcoming vulnerabilities from an intersectional perspective

INITIATIVES:

• Making proposals, based on a working group, for positive-action measures to improve opportunities for foreign residents (presence in the media, political representation, access to the job market, etc.)

• Promoting knowledge of employment rights and duties among foreign residents in general, and in particular those employed in the domestic workers’ sector, the caring for people sector or other vulnerable employment sectors.

• Setting up a working group that creates proposals and strategies to facilitate the implementation of diversity management in companies.
1.3. Combating social and institutional racism, discrimination and xenophobia

INITIATIVES:

• Taking part in platforms denouncing racism, xenophobia and Islamophobia (organised networks, 21 March, International Day for the Elimination of Racial Discrimination etc.)

• Publicising initiatives and campaigns against racism, xenophobia and Islamophobia (linked to the Anti-Rumour Network or other associations and networks).

• Carrying out awareness-raising initiatives concerning the situation of refugees.

• Providing information and training on the current channels for reporting discriminatory situations in the city (Office for Non-Discrimination (OND); Barcelona Ombudsman’s Office; Barcelona Provincial Prosecutor’s Office - Services against Hate Crimes and Discrimination; other associations etc.)

• Creating a protocol for collecting, conveying and monitoring discrimination situations, administrative difficulties and other situations involving the infringement of rights affecting immigrants.

• Applying current strategies and creating new ones, as well as carrying out initiatives aimed at resolving and reporting discrimination situations, combating rumours and raising awareness about the value of diversity in building the city.

• Collaborating in institutional, awareness-raising initiatives aimed at municipal services for preventing and fighting against racism, xenophobia and Islamophobia.
1.4. Supporting the creation of a common discourse and raising its profile

INITIATIVES:

• Promoting association participation in the Emergency Opinion Commission (COU), in advisory groups and/or committees which can be created (providing advance information for contextualising issues).

• Preparing communiqués concerning the CMIB’s position on important issues which negatively affect immigrants (Immigration Law, CIE, refugees, human trafficking, discrimination and employment exploitation, racism and xenophobia, etc.)

• Promoting institutional declarations from Full Council Meetings, on issues that the CMIB considers to be especially important, and adopting the necessary measures for ensuring compliance with them.

• Raising the profile of the CMIB’s position in two ways: internally, through member organisations, and externally, through institutions, the media, other organisations and the general public.

1.5. Guaranteeing up-to-date information on political, social and legal changes to public policies that affect migrants

INITIATIVES:

• Holding informative sessions on issues that affect the exercising of rights.

• Publicising information, materials and talks organised by the Administration and other institutions on issues of interest.

• Providing information on international networks which are working on the issue of immigration and where Barcelona City Council is playing a role.
1.6. Promoting participation from the CMIB and member organisations in platforms for defining public policies, and especially municipal policies

INITIATIVES

- Listing participation platforms where member organisations are active, so that they can act as a vehicle for discussions and the CMIB’s demands.

- Seeking and defining participation platforms of interest, promoting the participation of CMIB’s representatives, to attend and monitor them (at the suggestion of the Standing Committee, the Participation Committee and other requests).

- Providing information on the goals and operations of public participation platforms in Barcelona and making organisations aware of the participation platforms in their own territories.

- Creating new communication channels with political players from the various public authorities, especially with the relevant Commissioner and Deputy Mayor’s Office.
2. INTERCULTURALITY

Cultural diversity is an indisputable fact, a common heritage for all Barcelona’s residents. This plurality of different identities and ways of seeing the world is an asset that should be highly valued and accessible to everyone. Public authorities have to ensure that this heritage is preserved and promoted in both means of communication and in the media, to foster collaboration between the private and public sectors and civil society.

The city has opted for an intercultural model of community life based on mutual interaction and recognition. The wish of Barcelona’s residents to live together, find ways of getting to know one another and sharing has to be accompanied by policies that promote a positive approach to diversity and fight against homogenisation, stereotypes and rumours.

Being able to express ourselves in our own language and enjoying it, having an education and training that respect cultural identities and carrying out our own cultural practices within a framework of respect for human rights and basic freedoms are factors that are inseparable from respect for people’s dignity. Recognition comes from an open and inclusive approach, promotes feelings of belonging and leads to social cohesion.

This diversity needs to be showcased as a factor for economic development and growth, working together with companies and helping them to incorporate diversity in the way they are run. It also needs to be understood as a way for everyone to live fully and for guaranteeing a socially sustainable city.

The CMIB’s member organisations are an example of this cultural diversity and their experience and expertise are needed for defining and implementing the initiatives that have to take respect for differences into account.
GOALS AND INITIATIVES

2.1. Raising the profiles of migrants and the CMIB’s organisations as a part of the population that wishes to take part and are taking part in the building of the city.

INITIATIVES

- Holding an annual Meeting of Organisations in order to showcase diversity and interaction with the general public.
- Showcasing the knowledge of people from various backgrounds on a variety of issues and not just those concerning immigration.
- Promoting and calling for the representation and visibility of people of various backgrounds in the municipal media and other platforms.
- Providing information on the knowledge activities of residents from different backgrounds, promoted and implemented under the BCN Interculturality Plan.

2.2. Promoting relations between CMIB organisations and social and institutional players in the city and its districts

INITIATIVES

- Creating work spaces or conferences with social players from areas of interest which foster relations between organisations.
- Providing visibility to the CMIB’s organisations in the Municipal Authority’s various areas and services and especially in local educational institutions and players.
- Where necessary, inviting players from the annually-chosen subject area to take part in the Organisations Conference.
2.3. Taking part in defining the policies and strategies concerning the interculturality and community life of city residents

INITIATIVES

- Encouraging the CMIB’s organisations to take part in city discussions concerning interculturality and to report on it.

- Creating a meeting space between the CMIB’s Standing Committee and the Intercultural Network’s Governing Committee and seeking synergies for fostering influence.

- Searching for ways of discussing community life in districts and promoting participation in them and reporting on them.

2.4. Encouraging and enabling the CMIB’s organisations to take part in the BCN Interculturality Plan’s inter-cultural projects

INITIATIVES

- Providing information on the BCN Interculturality Plan’s various initiatives and specifically those concerning the Anti-Rumour Network.

- Implementing initiatives alongside the Anti-Rumour Network to combat negative rumours about migrants.
3. PROMOTING AND SUPPORTING ASSOCIATIONS

The City Council is convinced that it is essential to govern by putting the general public at the centre of things and that we need to create platforms for joint responsibility and the joint production of public policies. Therefore, the CMIB is proposing to realise the political potential of member associations, to empower city residents and give them access to decision-making platforms.

On the other hand, if we are to support member associations we will have to strengthen them by providing access to information and useful training and showcasing the work they do.

The crisis has also affected associations and it must be stressed that one of the strategies for facing it has been mutual support. That is why we believe that creating interaction platforms promotes synergies and that sharing knowledge and resources fosters associative sustainability.
GOALS AND INITIATIVES

3.1. Promoting empowerment mechanisms and political influence within association dynamics, in the CMIB’s representational platforms and other areas of interest in the city

INITIATIVES

• For training in political leadership, communication strategies and citizen participation.

• Enabling the creation of small support and mentoring groups, to encourage association participation in various policy-decision platforms.

• Promoting the inclusion of the CMIB’s organisations in association registers and in the city’s association networks (General file for the city’s associations, Citizen agreement for an inclusive Barcelona, etc.)

3.2. Strengthening the CMIB’s association network by conveying and providing information and training

INITIATIVES

• Launching and coordinating training initiatives created by a training committee made up of the associations concerned, as well as initiatives that may arise from the CMIB’s other bodies or work groups.

• Facilitating the creation of training proposals based in the expertise of the CMIB’s associations.

• Providing information on the city’s training resources.

• Maintaining the Plan for strengthening associations and diversifying the content of training courses.

• Providing information on cultural public-participation platforms (the La Mercè Festivities, Carnival, the Three Kings’ Parade etc.)
3.3. Creating interaction platforms between the CMIB’s associations which promote mutual collaboration

 INITIATIVES

• Creating information and exchange platforms on issues of interest (refugee and asylum, employment, foreign residents etc.)

• Supporting the creation of a website for publicising association activities, set up and run by a communication committee made up of interested associations.

• Creating initiatives that facilitate interaction between associations, under the framework of the Meeting of Associations and other groups, and which further the CMIB’s mutual knowledge and cohesion.

3.4. Raising the profile of our city’s diversity and promoting the recognition of the work and good practices carried out in the area of immigration

 INITIATIVES

• Lending recognition, through the CMIB Award, to the work carried out in the city by an association or project concerning immigration.

• Making a video and files for the website every year, offering a sample of the projects entered for the Award.

• Periodically updating and publicising the CMIB’s Association Catalogue.

• Regularly updating association files on the CMIB’s website and providing links to their websites.
4. INTERNAL RUNNING

During this new term of office, the CMIB has proposed new strategies to encourage member associations to take part. We aim to diversify communication and participation channels so that associations that find attending meetings difficult can keep informed and feel they are equal participants on the CMIB.

GOALS AND INITIATIVES

4.1. Fostering internal participation

INITIATIVES

- Creating work committees with the associations concerned to improve the CMIB’s running (participation, communication and training).

- Defining and enabling work procedures and methods in advance, along with the planned meetings calendar.

- Identifying internal-participation difficulties (work group timetables, length of meetings etc.) and fostering inclusive methods as well as diversifying their channels.

- Promoting the inclusion of new associations in the CMIB which reflect the diversity of origins present in the city.

4.2. Documenting and showcasing the CMIB’s work

INITIATIVES

- Documenting the CMIB’s activities through minutes, work documents etc., and uploading them onto the website.

- Implementing possible action proposals from the Communication Committee.

- Creating a space in Full Council Meetings for conveying the work being done both by the Standing Committee and by the other created committees to all the associations (Participation, Communication and Training).

- Publishing a quarterly digital newsletter that includes general information on CMIB and work committee activities.
4.3. Rethinking and diversifying internal communication channels

INITIATIVES

- Creating a CMIB mailbox that enables proposals to be collected on issues of interest, consultations, requests, suggestions etc.

- Diversifying the channels for convening meetings and confirming attendance at work meetings.

- Designing a strategy for making the CMIB’s website more accessible and with a higher profile.
This Plan has been drafted using a participatory and consensual methodology in a work-group format with the members of the Barcelona Municipal Immigration Council.

The first work meeting was held as part of an extraordinary Standing Committee meeting to analyse the lines of action that the CMIB wanted to follow over the coming years. Based on an evaluation of the previous plan, current strengths and weaknesses were identified and it was agreed that the work lines (full citizenship, interculturality, promoting and supporting the associations and internal operations) would remain valid for tackling the new challenges faced by the CMIB. An initial proposal was drafted which was passed to the working group with all the associations. This group met on three occasions. A document was produced from each meeting. It had been sent to them for review and debate internally and then pass on their contributions to the group in person (in some cases it was sent by email).

There were four work meetings in all, in which thirty-seven of the CMIB’s associations took part.

The draft was sent to all the associations on 8 April. They were able to make the corresponding amendments to it up to 20 April (none were received). The proposal was validated by the Standing Committee on 29 April and presented to the Full Council Meeting of 10 May. At the request of one association, the amendment period was extended by a week and changes to some of the proposals were incorporated. Once the extended deadline had passed, the document was then ratified by the Standing Committee at a work meeting.
**Calendar for drafting the CMIB Work Plan for 2016-2019**

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<sup>1</sup> The deadline for amendments was extended by a week at the request of an association

<sup>2</sup> The Standing Committee assessed the amendments and finally approved the document.
APPENDIX 2
THE STANDING COMMITTEE’S ANALYSIS AND PROPOSALS

1. Evaluation of the CMIB’s strengths and weaknesses for the purpose of drafting the CMIB Work Plan for 2016 – 2019

WEAKNESSES 2016

- Communications.
  - Need for increasing direct communication with policy partners: a lack of clear identification of who they are and the relation and exchange channels and platforms, beyond the two annual Full Meetings.
  - Insufficient internal communication: may be related to the pro-activeness of the associations, but also to the lack of dynamic communication channels (emailing is a fast channel for brief information but not for content and motivation for mobilisation).
  - Lack of information on issues associated with migrants and regarding which the City Council and other authorities are establishing action plans or working groups.
- Low participation because of not feeling like a participant in the CMIB.
  - Perception of a low capacity for influence.
  - Lack of a sense of being addressed as Barcelona city residents.
  - Some members of the associations show a lack of familiarity, with the issues involved (empowerment for being able to take part).
- Influence on generic city issues: little sign of the CMIB having a say in the definition of municipal strategies and policy plans (health, housing, culture, employment etc.).
- Visibility: lack of presence in the media.
- Weakness of the associations: the crisis has affected some associations very seriously. This affects their capacity for taking part.
STRENGTHS 2016

• Network creation: during the crisis, the CMIB has enabled synergies to be created between associations and joint initiatives to be implemented. Considerable progress has been made in mutual knowledge and trust.

• Strength of the group: the CMIB has the opportunity of presenting itself as a unit rather than a sum of associations.

• Political and social influence.
  › Role of the advisory groups (e.g. The 67 proposals from the Municipal Immigration Council document sets out a line of action; associations have to participate in these).
  › Role of the Emergency-Opinion Committee: latest communiqués and manifestos.
2. The CMIB’s current needs and proposals.

**FULL CITIZENSHIP**

- Exercising citizenship rights.
  - Being proactive in exercising rights beyond demand.
  - Identifying the barriers that make it harder for people to exercise their rights and creating solutions that help them to overcome them.
  - Proposing strategies and initiatives that foster equal opportunities (positive discrimination).
  - You need to know your rights before you can exercise them.

- Taking part in defining municipal policies.
  - Ensuring that the voice of migrants is heard as one more citizen’s voice in the city’s various common construction platforms (health, culture, housing, sports etc.).
  - Strengthening communication channels with the Administration in general and with its policy makers in particular.

- Fostering the creation of a common discourse.
  - The CMIB should a single voice in demanding the exercising of political and social rights, which has to go beyond the sum of the associations.
  - A common position can be created based on debate and internal diversity (participation bodies, *ad hoc* working groups and the creation of committees according to issues).

- Combating social and institutional racism, discrimination and xenophobia.
INTERCULTURALITY

• Recognising migrants as citizens, as well as the role of associations as players.
  › Raising the profiles of migrants as ordinary citizens who are keen to take part and do take part in the building of the city.

• Interaction.
  › Strengthening the interaction and collaboration arising between immigrant associations.
  › Fostering relations between immigrant associations and other social and institutional players.
  › Ensuring the CMIB has a place in defining the policies and strategies that deal with interculturality and community life among the city’s residents.

INTERNAL RUNNING

• Fostering internal participation.
  › Rethinking and diversifying participatory channels so that they are flexible and beneficial without saturating associations.
  › Seeking strategies and methods that help to foster a sense of being a participant.

• Improving internal communication channels.
  › Diversifying communication channels so they raise the profile of the CMIB’s work.

PROMOTING AND SUPPORTING ASSOCIATIONS

• Political empowerment of associations and their members.

• Maintaining the development plan: diversification of content.
APPENDIX 3
PARTICIPANTS IN DRAFTING THE PLAN

PARTICIPATING ASSOCIATIONS

• ACATHI. Catalan Association for the Integration of Homosexual, Bisexual and Transsexual Immigrants
• Pakistani Women’s Cultural Educational and Social Action Association (ACESOP)
• ASOCASCOL. Casal Colombiana [Colombian Centre]
• Philippine Women’s Association
• Cultural Association of Rivers in Catalonia
• Cultural, Social and Culinary Art and Friends of Honduras
• Association of Ecuadorians in Catalonia
• Association of the Dominican Community in Catalonia
• Ecuadorian Cultural Identity Without Frontiers Association
• “Los Botijas” Catalan Uruguayan Association
• ASOCROM. Romanian Association of Catalonia
• Catalan Association of Senegalese Residents
• Mexican Catalan Cultural Association (MEXCAT)
• Immigrants in Catalonia Mutual Aid Association (AMIC – UGT)
• La Formiga Social and Cultural Association
• Barcelona Diocese Charity
• Casa Eslava
• CC.OO. Catalonia – Migration
• Catalan Bolivian Centre
• Ukrainian Cultural Centre of Catalonia
• Tuluyan San Benito Filipino Centre
• Peruvian Centre in Barcelona
• Official Catalan Social Work Association
• Catalan Refugee Aid Commission
• Catalan Confederation of Commerce
• Barcelona Youth Council
• Federation of American Associations of Catalonia (FASAMCAT).
• Catalan Federation of Latin-American Associations (FEDELATINA)

• Federation of Peruvian Entities in Catalonia (FEPERCAT)

• Latin-American Media Federation

• Ibn Batuta Foundation

• Migra Studium Private Foundation

• JOVECU, Association of Young Ecuadorians in Catalonia

• Mujeres Pa'lante

• SURT, Women's Foundation, Private Foundation

• Ecuadorian Art and Culture Workshop (TEAC)

TAKING PART AS AN EXPERT AND CELEBRITY OF RECOGNISED VALUE

• Fátima Ahmed
APPENDIX 4
CMIB MEMBERS (2016)

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Irene Yamba, E’Waiso Ipola Women’s Association
Yessenia Enríquez, Sin Fronteras Ecuadorian Cultural Identity Association
Ruoxing Yang, China-Spain Cultural Exchange Association

Andreina Pietrini, Dosmundosmil, Latin American Intercultural Association

Adalberto Bentancor, “Los Botijas” Catalan Uruguayan Association

Florín Gaisseanu, Romanian Association of Catalonia (ASOCROM)

Abdou Mawa Ndiaye, Catalan Association of Senegalese Residents

Catalonia-Lebanon Association

César Cárdenas, Mexican Catalan Cultural Association (MEXCAT)

Dai Hua Dong, Association of Zhejiang Peasants in Catalonia

Javed Ilyas, Association of Pakistani Workers

Mahammad Ishtique Hossain Khan, Shur Rong Cultural Academy of Bangladesh Association

Kamal Ben Brahim, Association of Moroccan Immigrant Workers in Catalonia (ATIMCA)

Volodymyr Fediuk, Casa Eslava

Elsa Oblitas, Catalan Bolivian Centre

Svitlana Markova, Ukrainian Cultural Centre of Catalonia

Rosa Irasusta, Tuluyan San Benito Filipino Centre

Pina Quiñones, Peruvian Centre in Barcelona

Flor Andino, Catalan Ecuadorian International Chamber of Commerce and Tourism Association (CICTAEC)

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Sylviane Dahan, FAVB - Federation of Barcelona Residents Associations
Carles Galve, PIMEC Comerç

Experts and celebrities of recognised prestige
Fátima Ahmed

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José Cano Escribano, the Head of the Citizenship and Education (IMEB) Programme
APPENDIX 5
BARCELONA MUNICIPAL IMMIGRATION COUNCIL (CMIB) FOUNDING ASSOCIATIONS

- Cultural Association of the Bubi Community in Catalonia (RIEBAPUA)
- Philippine Women’s Association
- E’Waiso Ipola - Bubis Women’s Association
- Catalonia-Lebanon Association
- Rhômbe Cultural Association
- Association of Students from Equatorial Guinea
- Association of Senegalese Residents in Catalonia
- Association for Supporting Popular Chilean Organisations
- Ibn Batuta Social and Cultural Association
- ATIME – Catalonia
- Casal Latinoamericà a Catalunya (CLACA)
- FAVB Federation of Barcelona Local Residents’ Associations
- Catalan Federation of Immigrant Collectives (FCIC)
- General Union of Workers (UGT)
- Barcelona Province CCOO Trade Union (USCOB)
- WPA, Association for Pakistani Rights
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