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Partnership agreement and cooperation between Vänersborg Municipality and Chobe District Council 2013-2016

This partnership formalizes earlier contacts between the municipality of Vänersborg in Sweden and Chobe District Council. The first contact was made in 2010 through a visit in Vänersborg by representatives from local, regional and national governance, arranged by ICLD Swedish International Centre for Local Democracy.

Partnership

The establishment of a partnership aims to develop the cooperation, friendship and the exchange of experiences between the municipalities and their inhabitants.

With this agreement, both municipalities intend to:

- Support and to promote initiatives and measures in order to protect and to promote conditions for increased equality and diversity in the communities.
- Encourage to impart cooperation, knowledge, intercultural dialogue between the two municipalities and to contribute to strengthen the local authorities to play a significant role for sustainable development.

In order to achieve these objectives, the parties undertake to:

- · Promote good living conditions through housing, business, tourism and culture.
- Compare experiences within the areas of education, youth, culture, sport, municipal services and social inclusion.
- Promote the conditions for life-long learning.
- Promote the support for humanitarian work.
- Exchange experiences in the organisations with common activities with local participation.
- Promote direct meetings between different stakeholders, companies, institutions and associations in relation to set objectives
- Promote the conditions for resource effective Eco cycling.
- · Promote sustainable town planning & flood risk management

Generally the agreement intends to ensure the two municipalities work together in whatever can be improved and to contribute to development of Vänersborg and Chobe District. The aim is to revalue the partnership agreement every fourth year in order to keep the areas of cooperation updated.

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