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Three workshops were held at the Berlin congress covering various aspects of urban performance measurement and monitoring systems.

On 11 May the **Berlin Senate Department of urban Development** (SDUD) conducted a training workshop on "Measurement and Analysis of Strategic Indicators of Urban Development", using the Berlin experience as a benchmark. Chaired by **Mr Thorsten Tonndorf**, a Senior Planner with SDUD, the workshop covered the role of monitoring systems, how performance measurement systems contribute to policy making, and how to develop monitoring systems to support such policies. The session included an interactive component that focused on transferability of monitoring systems.

On 12 May the commission held two workshops. **Prof Lyndsay Neilson**, Regional Secretary of Metropolis Asia-Pacific, chaired Workshop A on the use of indicators for urban management. Participants heard case studies from Addis Ababa, Barcelona, Delhi, Melbourne and Paris-Ile-de-France that addressed spatial demographic analysis, structural indicators to measure quality of life, urban inequities survey, and community based GIS to support provision of water and sanitation services.

Tanzib Chowdhury, Human Settlements Officer, of the UN-HABITAT's Global Urban Observatory, chaired Workshop B that focused on capacity building and the experience of local urban observatories (LUO). Of particular interest was the presentation of the Curitiba Metropolitan Observatory on monitoring the Millennium Development Goals. The State of Mexico and Porto Alegre also presented the experience of their LUOs.

Mary Lewin, Commission 5 Coordinator, chaired the third and final workshop on 13 May. The session was dedicated to city consultations between C5 members. Participants identified areas of concern in their cities which require urgent attention, and each nominated one or two priority issues for inclusion in the work of the commission. This was also an opportunity for members to indicate their commitment to work with the commission.

In summary, C5 workshops were very well attended, the work of the commission attracted much attention and was highly praised by representatives of the World Bank.