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After several decades of creating, managing and participating in different European cultural projects, **Catherine Cullen** was Deputy Mayor for Culture for the City of Lille, France, from 2001 to 2014. In this capacity, she was responsible for the cultural policy of Lille, and for Lille 2004, European Capital of Culture. In 2008, she also became councillor in charge of Culture at the Métropole Européenne de Lille (MEL). From 2012 to 2015, she was Chair of the Culture Committee of United Cities and Local Governments (UCLG) and is presently its Special Advisor on culture in sustainable cities. The UCLG Culture Committee is dedicated to the promotion of the role of culture in sustainable development through a global Agenda 21 for Culture. She is also an independent international consultant in culture and sustainable development, a subject she writes about and teaches at the Political Science Institute in Lille. In 2016, she joined the UNESCO Panel of Experts for the International Fund for Cultural Diversity (IFCD).