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## Freedom 21 versus Agenda 21

by Bob Bowman

Several property rights groups in the United States are cooperating in creating an agenda which they call *Freedom 21*, to preserve private property rights. They offer it as a nationwide program preferable to a federal initiative started by former President Clinton, the latter based on the UN program called the *UN Sustainable Development Agenda 21*, or *Agenda 21* for short.

It is likely that most local public officials in the U.S.A. do not know about Agenda 21, or the fact that it is an international socialist program for eliminating private property rights and bringing all land use under the control of central command and control planning. That's because the Agenda 21 program has been hidden behind such catch phrases as "Smart Growth" or "Comprehensive Planning." So it is in Wisconsin, where an Agenda 21 style state law was enacted in 1999, under exactly those catch phrases. As background to it, an MOU signed in 1998 between Wisconsin and the German state of Bavaria reveals that this "smart growth comprehensive planning" law is intended to implement certain explicitly specified chapters in the 40 chapter UN document called *Agenda 21*.

Previous issues of *Freedom Matters* have reported on Agenda 21, including the full text of the Wisconsin-Bavaria MOU. See vol. 4, issues 1 through 6, 2004.

Now, a property rights group located in Santa Cruz county, California, has produced a 1 MB pdf file of a 14 page document titled *Understanding Sustainable Development (Agenda 21): A Guide for Public Officials*.

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