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The *World Assembly of Local and Regional Governments* is the joint voice of local and regional leaders from across the world. It is convened by the Global Taskforce of Local and Regional Governments, a coordination mechanism that brings together the major global and regional networks of local and regional governments. The Global Taskforce is facilitated by UCLG.

The first World Assembly was organized in the framework of the Habitat II Conference in 1996 in Istanbul. The Second World Assembly was a three-part process held over 2016. It provided the mechanism through which the local and regional government constituency participated in the formal Habitat III process.

The World Assembly in the Habitat III Conference counted with the participation, among others, of the UN Secretary-General and President of the General Assembly.

Thanks to the strong mobilization of local and regional leaders and our partners, the World Assembly was officially recognized as **a reporting mechanism of the New Urban Agenda** (articles 8 and 169).

The World Assembly in the framework of the official program of the 9th World Urban Forum will aim to renew the commitment of our constituency to the follow-up and review of the New Urban Agenda. It will count on speaking interventions of mainly political representatives of local and regional governments and their associations, as well as key partners.

11.00

OPENING: Local and Regional Governments of the world lay down their expectations

- **Datuk Ismail Ibrahim**, Chief Executive, Iskandar Regional Development Authority
- **Tri Rismaharini**, Mayor of Surabaya
- **Carlos Martinez**, Mayor of Soria
- **Celestine Ketcha Courtes**, Mayor of Bangangté
- **Ramón Mestre**, Mayor of Cordoba
- **Abdessamad Sekkal**, President of Rabat-Salé-Kénitra Region

Masters of Ceremony: Emilia Saiz, UCLG Secretary General and Bernadia Tjandradewi, Secretary General of UCLG-ASPAC

11:45

Governance of proximity at the heart of the New Urban Agenda

The first round-table will provide specific inputs on the need for a strong local governance in the implementation of the New Urban Agenda, building on a new social contract putting the inhabitants at the core of decision-making.

*The first round-table will be introduced by **Greg Munro**, Secretary General of CLGF*

- **Oswar Mungkasa**, Deputy Mayor of Jakarta
- **Mercè Conesa**, President of the Barcelona Province, Mayor of Sant Cugat del Vallès
- **Idris bin Hj. Haron**, Chief Minister of Melaka Regional Government
- **Carola Gunnarsson**, Mayor of Sala
- **Aicha Ivoukou**, Vice-Mayor of Ksar
- **Xolani Sotashe**, Councillor of Cape Town

Key partners of local and regional governments

- **Corina Crețu**, EU Commissioner for Regional Policy
- **Fatna Lkhiyel**, Secretary of State of Morocco to the Minister of National Planning, Urban Planning, Housing and Urban Policy, in charge of Housing
- **Katia Chirizzi**, Acting Deputy Representative for South East Asia, Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights
- **Victor Pineda**, President of World Enabled

12:30

HOW? Assessing the implementation of the New Urban Agenda

The second round-table will explore on how to formalize and operationalize specific mechanisms and tools to be defined to review, report, and monitor the implementation of the New Urban Agenda by local and regional governments.

The second round-table will also seek to identify linkages between the monitoring and reporting processes of the New Urban Agenda and the SDGs. How the localization of the SDGs can contribute to the New Urban Agenda implementation and monitoring? And what are the local and regional governments' experiences in this regard?

*The second round-table will be introduced by **Monika Zimmermann**, Deputy Secretary General of ICLEI*

- **Sōichirō Takashima**, Mayor of Fukuoka
- **Anders Knape**, Vice President of Swedish Association of Local Authorities and Regions
- **María Aranzazu Leturiondo**, Deputy Minister for Territorial Planning of the Basque Government
- **Stephany Uy-Tan**, Mayor of Catbalogan
- **Peter Kurz**, Mayor of Mannheim
- **Agustí Serra Monté**, Director General for Planning and Urban Development, Ministry of Territory and Sustainability, Government of Catalonia

Key partners of local and regional governments

- **Eugenie Birch**, Chair of the Global Assembly of Partners

13:15

WHAT? Key priorities of local and regional governments in the New Urban Agenda

The third round-table will discuss the different elements of the Quito Outcome Document that require specific involvement and follow-up by the constituency, particularly as regards the right to the city, planning, capacity and multilevel governance, urban-rural linkages, decentralisation and subsidiarity, women empowerment.

*The third round-table will be introduced by **Jean-Pierre Elong Mbassi**, Secretary General of UCLG-Africa*

- **José Manuel Corral**, Mayor of Santa Fe
- **Clara Doe Mvogo**, Mayor of Monrovia
- **Aisen Nikolaev**, Mayor of Yakutsk
- **Mohamed Sefiani**, Mayor of Chefchaouen
- **Ronaldo Golez**, Mayor of Dumangas
- **Mirzaei Hojjatolah**, Deputy Mayor of Tehran

Key partners of local and regional governments

- **Lorena Zarate**, Habitat International Coalition
- **Clare Short**, Chair of the Management Board, Cities Alliance
- **Jill Helke**, Director of International Cooperation and Partnerships, International Organisation for Migration

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Closing

Local and Regional Governments welcome the new Executive Director of UN-Habitat

Address by Maimunah Mohd Sharif, Executive Director of UN-Habitat

Joined at the podium by mayors from different regions

*The Statement of the Assembly will be read by **Frédéric Vallier**, Secretary General of CEMR, **Octavi de la Varga**, Secretary General of Metropolis and **Mehmet Duman**, Secretary General of UCLG-MEWA.*

