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Local and regional partnerships for sustainable urban development

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Agenda



European Committee of the Regions, Jacques Delors (JDE) building
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Monday 4 February 2019

08:00-09:00	Registration and welcome coffee
09:00-09:45	<p>Opening</p> <p>Karl-Heinz LAMBERTZ, President, European Committee of the Regions Neven MIMICA, Commissioner for International Cooperation and Development, , European Commission Souad BEN ABDERRAHIM, Mayor of Tunis, Tunisia Peter KURZ, Mayor of Mannheim, Germany, and member of the European Committee of the Regions</p> <p>Chair: Laurent THIEULE, Director of Legislative work, European Committee of the Regions Venue: Rooms 62, 51 and 52 Interpretation: English, French, Spanish, German, Italian, Arabic and Ukrainian</p>
09:45-10:45	<p>International policy framework for urban/local sustainable development</p> <p>François Albert AMICCHIA, President of the Council of the Territorial Communities, West African Economic a Monetary Union Carla MONTESI, Director, Directorate for Planet and Prosperity, International Cooperation and Development, European Commission Franco IACOP, Member of the European Committee of the Regions and Friuli Venezia Giulia Council Joaquim OLIVEIRA MARTINS, Deputy-Director, Centre for Entrepreneurship, SMEs, Regions and Cities, OECD Victor KISOB, Assistant-Secretary-General and Deputy Executive Director, UN- Habitat</p> <p>Moderator: Sascha GABIZON Venue: Rooms 62, 51 and 52 Interpretation: English, French, Spanish, German, Italian, Arabic and Ukrainian</p>

10:45-11:00	Coffee break
11:00-12:30	<p data-bbox="367 174 1182 203">Successful partnership initiatives between cities and regions</p> <ul data-bbox="367 247 1458 730" style="list-style-type: none"> <li data-bbox="367 247 1458 317">• Phnom Penh – Paris Partnership: Nuon PHARAT, Vice-Governor of Phnom Penh, Cambodia, and tbc, City of Paris, France <li data-bbox="367 323 1458 392">• Nicosia Initiative for Libyan municipalities: Abdhraouf BEITELMAL, Mayor of Tripoli, and Saqr BUJWARI, Mayor of Benghazi, Libya <li data-bbox="367 399 1458 541">• Buenos Aires – Madrid Partnership: Francisco MUGABURU, General Director, International Cooperation of the Buenos Aires City Government, and Antonio ZURITA CONTRERAS, Director General, International Action and Global Citizenship, City of Madrid, Spain <li data-bbox="367 548 1458 653">• Ukraine-EU Peer-to-Peer Cooperation: Arnoldas ABRAMAVICIUS, Deputy Mayor of Zarasai Municipality, Lithuania, and Oleksander SOBAN, Head of Chemerivtsi AH, Ukraine <li data-bbox="367 659 1458 730">• Dogbo – Roeselare Partnership: Vincent ACAKPO, Mayor of Dogbo, Benin, and Henk KINDT, Deputy Mayor of Roeselare, Belgium <p data-bbox="367 768 773 798">Moderator: Sascha GABIZON</p> <p data-bbox="367 804 740 833">Venue: Rooms 62, 51 and 52</p> <p data-bbox="367 840 1386 869">Interpretation: English, French, Spanish, German, Italian, Arabic and Ukrainian</p>
12:30-13:00	<p data-bbox="367 919 1448 982">First call for proposals on Local authorities: Partnerships for sustainable cities: Main features</p> <p data-bbox="367 1026 1448 1131">Paolo CICCARELLI, Head of Unit Cities, Local Authorities, Digitalisation and Infrastructures, Directorate General for International Cooperation and Development, European Commission</p> <p data-bbox="367 1171 773 1201">Moderator: Sascha GABIZON</p> <p data-bbox="367 1207 740 1236">Venue: Rooms 62, 51 and 52</p> <p data-bbox="367 1243 1386 1272">Interpretation: English, French, Spanish, German, Italian, Arabic and Ukrainian</p> <p data-bbox="367 1318 1360 1348">Quick introduction of the afternoon session, including where to meet at 14:00</p>
13:00-14:00	<p data-bbox="367 1394 545 1423">Lunch break</p> <p data-bbox="367 1467 776 1497">Venue: Venue: Atriums 5 and 6</p>
14:00–18:00	<p data-bbox="367 1541 1393 1570">Open space discussions on partnerships for sustainable urban development</p> <p data-bbox="142 1612 321 1747"><i>Coffee will be served during this open space session.</i></p> <p data-bbox="367 1612 1377 1747"><i>The debates aim at generating policy recommendations for the EU institutions. Participants will discuss relevant topics on partnerships for sustainable urban development, identified by them under the 5 Ps. Below are some examples of subtopics to be discussed.</i></p> <p data-bbox="367 1793 1425 1936">Partnership (Strengthening urban governance at various levels of administration): Integrated urban planning Public finance management Land management</p>

Rural-urban and primary and secondary cities linkages
E-governance, databases, municipal digitalisation
Territorial approach to Local Development

People (Social dimension of urban development):

Urban poverty
Forced displacement and migration
Education and training
Food security/ Territorial food policy

Peace (Inclusive and safe cities):

Inequalities and social exclusion
Local/Regional authorities cooperation in contexts of state fragility
Urban violence
Gender equality and women empowerment

Planet (Green and resilient cities):

Urban mobility
Energy efficiency and transition
Water and waste services
Environmental protection

Prosperity (Prosperous and innovative cities):

The role of private investments in urban sustainable development
Investment climate at local level
Boosting business development and job creation locally and regionally

Moderators: Team of facilitators

Venue: Introduction in Room 62 for English speakers, Room 52 for French speakers
and Room 51 for Spanish speakers

17:00-18:00

The private sector as catalyst for sustainable development

Participants from all the open space groups are free to continue their discussions up
to 18:00 or join this session

Markku MARKKULA, First Vice-President, European Committee of the Regions
Antti KARHUNEN, Head of Unit Private Sector development, Trade, Regional
Integration, DEVCO tbc

Ben WHITE, Co-Founder of VC4A Venture Capital Platform

Hala BUGAIGHIS, Co-Founder of Jusoor, MENA Young Leader 2017

Moderator: **Silke TÖNSHOFF**, Head of Unit, CIVEX Commission, European
Committee of the Regions

Venue: Rooms 62

Interpretation: English, French and Spanish

18:00-18:30

Keynote speech on Development and Migration: Future demographic challenges for African cities

Stephen SMITH, Professor of African Studies, Duke University

Venue: Rooms 62, 51 and 52

Interpretation: English, French and Spanish

18:30-20:00

Networking Reception

Venue: Atriums 5 and 6

Tuesday 5 February 2019

09:00-10:30	<p>Discussion among participants on the recommendations stemming from the open space discussions around the Rapporteurs:</p> <p>On Partnership: Jean-Pierre ELONG MBASSI, Secretary General, United Cities and Local Governments Africa On Peace: Marie Alexa LOUIS, Cabinet du Maire, Port-au-Prince, Haiti On People: Christophe ROUILLON, Mayor of Coullaines, France, and member of the European Committee of the Regions On Planet: Frédéric VALLIER, Secretary General, Council of European Municipalities and Regions (CEMR) On Prosperity: Begoña MARTÍNEZ ARREGUI, Minister of the Presidency, Institutional Relations and External Action of the Government of La Rioja, tbc, Spain</p> <p>Moderator: Katrina SICHEL Venue: Rooms 62, 51 and 52 Interpretation: English, French and Spanish</p>
10:30-10:45	Coffee Break
10:45-12:15	<p>High-level debate between local and regional authorities and EU Institutions building on the participants' recommendations</p> <p>Linda McAVAN, Chair of the Committee on Development, European Parliament Hans JANSSEN, Member of the Committee of the Regions Stefano MANSERVISI, Director-General, Directorate General for International Cooperation and Development, European Commission Normunds POPENS, Deputy Director-General for Implementation, DG REGIO, European Commission</p> <p>Moderator: Katrina SICHEL Venue: 62, 51 and 52 Interpretation: English, French, Spanish, German, Romanian and Arabic</p>
12:15-12:45	<p>Closing</p> <p>George CIAMBA, Minister Delegate for European Affairs, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Romanian Presidency Barbara DUDEN, Chair of the European Committee of the Regions, CIVEX Commission Marjeta JAGER, Deputy Director-General, Directorate General for International Cooperation and Development, European Commission tbc</p> <p>Moderator: Katrina SICHEL Venue: Rooms 62, 51 and 52 Interpretation: English, French, Spanish, German, Romanian and Arabic</p>
12:45-14:00	<p>Lunch and end of the Forum Venue: Atriums 5 and 6</p>

ADDITIONAL ACTIVITIES ORGANISED ALONGSIDE THE FORUM

- **Networking area** allowing representatives and practitioners from local and regional authorities and EU institutions to meet and match their interests. **We encourage you to organise your meetings beforehand.** Venue: European Committee of the Regions, Jacques Delors (JDE) building, VIP Room next to the Atrium, 5th floor
- **Exhibition with the following stands** presenting relevant decentralised cooperation initiatives. Venue: European Committee of the Regions, Jacques Delors (JDE) building, Foyer 6th floor

[Le Conseil des Collectivités Territoriales de l'Union économique et Monétaire Ouest Africaine \(CCT-UEMOA\)](#)

[The Covenant of Mayors](#)

[European Association of Development Agencies \(EURADA\)](#)

The Global Village City Hall

The IntegriCities project

[International Urban Cooperation \(IUC\)](#)

[The Nicosia Initiative](#)

UNDP

- **Associated events** organised by partners:

Side event organised by Wetlands International: *Green-blue infrastructures for urban resilience - Partnerships to turn policy into urban resilience practice*

5 February 2019, 14.00 – 16.30, Aloft Brussels Schuman, Room Tactic 2, Place Jean Rey, 1040 Bruxelles, To register, please contact lea.appulo@wetlands.org

Side event organised by ALDA: *The European Decentralised Cooperation - An unlocked potential.*

Presentation of the book *The European Decentralised Cooperation: Acting for development, engaging local authorities and civil society.* Author Antonella Valmorbida, Edition Peter Lang. 5 February 2019, 14:30 – 15:30, European Committee of the Regions, Jacques Delors (JDE) building, Documentation centre, 1st floor

To register, please contact francesco.pala@aldaintranet.org

Side event organised by CGLU-Africa: *Cooperate around Migration* [in English & French], 5

February 2019, 15.00 – 18.00, European Commission, Rue de la Loi 120/130,

Floor 11, Room number 1. To register, please contact claire.mandouze@gmail.com

Side event co-organised by EURADA and INFYDE in the framework of the INOVAL project platform funded by the European Commission, DG REGIO: *A New Way for Cooperation Policy in More Developed Countries - Technical Cooperation on Decentralized Policies to Promote Innovation and Competitiveness*

Simultaneous interpretation English-Spanish

5 February 2019, 16.00 – 17.30, EURADA, Rue Montoyer 24, 1000 Brussels

To register, please contact infyde@infyde.eu and naiara.zaragoza@eurada.org

Side event organised by PLATFORMA: *Dinner with the screening of No child without birth certificate!* From 2018 PLATFORMAwards laureates, Dogbo and Roeselare

5 February 2019, starting at 19:00, Thon Hotel EU, 75, Rue de la Loi, 1040 Brussels

To register, please contact Olivier.Baumard@cce-cemr.org