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# CITIES & REGIONS

## FOR DEVELOPMENT COOPERATION

Local and regional partnerships for sustainable urban development

BRUSSELS, 4-5 FEBRUARY 2019

### Agenda



#### MONDAY 4 FEBRUARY 2019

08:00-09:00	<p><b>Registration and welcome coffee</b></p>		
09:00-09:45	<p><b>Opening</b></p> <p>Karl-Heinz <b>Lambertz</b>, President, European Committee of the Regions          Neven <b>Mimica</b>, Commissioner for International Cooperation and Development (DEVCO) (tbc)          Souad <b>Ben Abderrahim</b>, Mayor of Tunis, Tunisia (tbc)          Peter <b>Kurz</b>, Mayor of Mannheim, Germany, and member of the European Committee of the Regions (tbc)</p>		
09:45-10:45	<p><b>Global International Policy Framework for urban/local sustainable development</b></p> <p>François Albert <b>Amichia</b>, President of the Council of the Territorial Communities, West African Economic and Monetary Union (tbc)          Franco <b>Iacop</b>, Friuli Venezia Giulia Council /member of the European Committee of the Regions (tbc)          Carla <b>Montesi</b>, Director of the Directorate for Planet and Prosperity, DEVCO          Aziza <b>Akhmouch</b>, Acting Head of the Cities, Urban Policies and Sustainable Development Division, OECD</p>		
10:45-11:00	<p><b>Coffee break</b></p>		
11:00-12:30	<p><b>Successful partnership initiatives between cities and regions</b></p> <p><b>Phnom Penh, Cambodia - Paris, France</b>  <b>Nicosia Initiative for Libyan municipalities</b>  <b>Buenos Aires, Argentina - Madrid, Spain</b>  <b>Ukraine - EU Peer-to-Peer Cooperation</b>  <b>Dogbo, Benin - Roselare, Belgium</b></p>		
12:30-13:00	<p><b>First call for proposals on “Local authorities: Partnerships for sustainable cities”:</b> Main features</p> <p>Paolo <b>Ciccarelli</b>, Head of Unit Cities, Local Authorities, Digitalisation and Infrastructures, DEVCO</p>		
13:00-14:00	<p><b>Lunch break</b></p>		
14:00-18:00	<p><b>Open space discussions on partnerships for sustainable urban development</b></p> <p>The debates aim to generate policies recommendations for the EU institutions. Participants will discuss relevant topics on partnerships for sustainable urban development, identified by them within the following themes.  <i>Coffee will be served during this open space session.</i></p> <table border="0" style="width: 100%;"> <tr> <td style="vertical-align: top; width: 50%;"> <p><b>PARTNERSHIP</b>            (Strengthening Urban governance at various levels of administration and between different actors)</p> <p>Integrated urban planning            Public finance management            Land management            Rural-urban and primary and secondary cities linkages            E-governance, databases, municipal digitalisation            Territorial approach to Local Development (TALD)</p> </td> <td style="vertical-align: top; width: 50%; border-left: 1px solid black; padding-left: 10px;"> <p><b>PEOPLE</b>            (Social dimension of urban development)</p> <p>Urban poverty            Forced displacement and migration            Education and training            Food security/ Territorial food policy</p> </td> </tr> </table>	<p><b>PARTNERSHIP</b>            (Strengthening Urban governance at various levels of administration and between different actors)</p> <p>Integrated urban planning            Public finance management            Land management            Rural-urban and primary and secondary cities linkages            E-governance, databases, municipal digitalisation            Territorial approach to Local Development (TALD)</p>	<p><b>PEOPLE</b>            (Social dimension of urban development)</p> <p>Urban poverty            Forced displacement and migration            Education and training            Food security/ Territorial food policy</p>
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<p><b>14:00-17:00</b></p>	<p><b>PEACE</b> (Inclusive and safe cities)</p> <p>Inequalities and social exclusion Local/Regional authorities cooperation in contexts of state fragility Urban violence Gender equality and women empowerment</p>	<p><b>PLANET</b> (Green and resilient cities)</p> <p>Urban mobility Energy efficiency and transition Water and waste services Environmental protection</p>
<p><b>17:00-18:00</b></p>	<p>Participants of the session on <b>Prosperity</b> join the session on <b>“Private sector as catalyst for sustainable development”</b></p> <p><i>Participants from all the other open space groups are free to join this session or continue their discussions up to 18:00.</i></p> <p>Antti <b>Karhunen</b>, Head of Unit Private Sector development, Trade, Regional Integration, DEVCO (tbc) Ben <b>White</b>, Co-Founder of VC4A Venture Capital Platform (tbc) Hala <b>Bugaighis</b>, Co-Founder of Jusoor, MENA Young Leader 2017 (tbc)</p>	
<p><b>18:00-18:30</b></p>	<p>Keynote speech on Development and Migration: <b>Future demographic challenges for African cities</b></p> <p>Stephen <b>Smith</b>, Professor of African Studies, Duke University</p>	
<p><b>18:30-20:00</b></p>	<p><b>Networking Reception</b></p>	

## TUESDAY 5 FEBRUARY 2019

<p><b>09:30-11:00</b></p>	<p><b>Debate among participants on the recommendations stemming from the open space discussions</b></p>	
<p><b>11:00-11:15</b></p>	<p><b>Coffee Break</b></p>	
<p><b>11:15-12:15</b></p>	<p><b>High level debate among local and regional authorities and EU Institutions</b></p> <p><b>High-Level Member of the European Parliament</b> (tbc) Hans <b>Janssen</b>, Member of the Committee of the Regions Stefano <b>Manservisi</b>, Director-General, DG DEVCO, European Commission Marc <b>Lemaitre</b>, Director-General, DG REGIO, European Commission (tbc)</p>	
<p><b>12:15-13:00</b></p>	<p><b>Closing</b></p> <p><b>Representative from RO EU presidency</b> (tbc) Barbara <b>Duden</b>, Chair of the European Committee of the Regions, CIVEX Commission (tbc) Stefano <b>Manservisi</b>, Director-General, DG DEVCO, European Commission Maimunah <b>Mohd Sharif</b>, Executive Director of UN Habitat (tbc)</p>	
<p><b>13:00-14:00</b></p>	<p><b>Lunch and end of the Forum</b></p>	

### Additional activities organised alongside the Forum will include:

An exhibition with stands presenting relevant decentralised cooperation initiatives

A networking area allowing representatives and practitioners from local and regional authorities in the EU and partner countries and EU institutions to meet and match their interests

Associated events organised by partners after the main event at different premises, to maximise synergies.