

# LOCAL 2030

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## Local Action for Global Commitments Special Event

High-Level Political Forum on Sustainable Development (HLPF) | 17 July  
United Nations Secretariat | Conference Room #1

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**Context:**

In collaboration with the Global Taskforce of Local and Regional Governments, the multi-stakeholder coalition Local2030 is bringing together experts from the public, private, and non-governmental sectors to work with local leaders and representatives from multiple United Nations agencies to present new local-level actions at the High-Level Political Forum on Sustainable Development (HLPF).

Data, financing, capacity building in humanitarian and conflict settings, and climate action and clean energy will be at the centre of the different sessions.

The focus of this multi-stakeholder event is on developing and presenting new solutions to accelerate and scale local-level implementation of all Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) and provide innovative concepts for the UN-wide strategy on SDG localization under development by Local2030. This event and new Local2030 commitments announced will build on the discussions at the Local and Regional Governments' Forum that is being held on 16 July.

**Participants:**

Member states, local and regional governments, UN agencies, business, finance, academic and civil society leaders.

**Format:**

The event will consist of an opening high-level overview, moderated discussions, audience participation, and thematic sessions. The meeting will be open to press, webcast and interpretation services (as needed).

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TUESDAY, 17 JULY

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08:30-08:45 **WELCOME** and Arrival

08:45-09:00 **OPENING STATEMENT**

- Mr. **Tianarivelo Razafimahefa**, Minister of Interior and Decentralisation, Madagascar

09:00-10:10 **OPENING: Showcasing Female Leadership for the Local Implementation of the SDGs**

The opening will set the scene for the day's discussions by highlighting concrete solutions for local-level SDG and climate implementation and demonstrating the importance of female leadership and innovative, new partnerships in scaling SDG localization.

Moderator: Mr. Paul Clements-Hunt, CEO, The Blended Capital Group

- Ms. **Manuela Carmena**, Mayor of Madrid, Spain
- Ms. **Celestine Ketcha Courtès**, Mayor of Bangangté, Cameroon, and President of the Network of Locally Elected Women of Africa
- Ms. **Valerie Plante**, Mayor of Montreal, Canada
- Ms. **Alicia Bárcena**, Executive Secretary of ECLAC
- Ms. **Mami Mizutori**, Special Representative of the Secretary-General for Disaster Risk Reduction
- Ms. **Katharina Latif**, Head of Corporate Responsibility at Allianz
- Ms. **Jayathma Wickramanayake**, Secretary-General's Envoy on Youth
- Ms. **Karolina Skogs**, Minister for the Environment, Sweden (*tbc*)

10:10-11:35 **THEMATIC SESSION 1: Localizing Finance to Reach the Furthest Behind**

Towards the SG's High-Level Meeting on Financing the SDGs: Scaling finance solutions and partnerships among local governments, civil society, investors, and business, including SMEs, to de-risk investment and decentralize SDG financing and maximize impact.

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- Rev. **Mpho Moruakgomo**, President of the Botswana Association of Local Authorities
- Mr. **Daniel Martínez**, Mayor of Montevideo
- Mr. **Mauricio Rodas**, Mayor of Quito, Ecuador
- Mr. **Miguel Gamiño Jr.**, EVP Global Cities, Mastercard
- Mr. **Sani Dangote**, Head of Dangote Industries
- Mr. **Iqbal Abdullah Harun**, Minister, Permanent Mission of Bangladesh to the UN
- Ms. **Judith Karl**, Executive Secretary, UNCDF

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- Mr. **Kaveh Zahedi**, Deputy Executive Secretary for Sustainable Development, ESCAP
- Ms. **Emilia Saiz**, Secretary-General of UCLG

### 11:35-13:00 **THEMATIC SESSION 2: Strengthening Local Government Capacities and Needs in Humanitarian and Conflict Settings**

All SDGs necessitate local action; as cities and local governments play a critical role in achieving inclusive, safe and resilient livelihoods and supporting the rural-urban continuum. In recent decades, conflict and humanitarian crises have become increasingly urbanised, which poses challenges for the achievement of the SDGs in affected cities. This session will focus on the needs, challenges and opportunities for SDG capacity building in such contexts.

Moderator: Mr. Paul Clements-Hunt, CEO, The Blended Capital Group

- Mr. **Innocent Uwimana**, Chairperson of Gisgara District, President of the Rwanda Local Government Association
- Mr. **Iván Arciénaga**, Mayor of Sucre, Bolivia
- Ms. **Fatimetou Abdel Malick**, Mayor of Tevragh-Zeina, Mauritania
- Mr. **Mohamed Sefiani**, Mayor of Chefchaouen, Morocco
- Ms. **Maimunah Sharif**, Executive Director of UN-Habitat
- Ms. **Janet Askew**, Chair of the International Committee at the Royal Town Planning Institute and Chair of the UK Built Environment Advisory Group
- Mr. **Remi Hemeryck**, Executive Director of SOS Sahel

### 13:00-15:15 LUNCH BREAK

### 15:15-16:45 **THEMATIC SESSION 3: Innovating for Local-level Data Solutions**

Leveraging innovative data tools and solutions for local-level development: the role of big data, citizen-led data in informal settlements and standardized data platforms.

Moderator: Mr. Paul Clements-Hunt, CEO, The Blended Capital Group

- Mr. **Adam Vaughan**, Housing and Urban Affairs, Ministry of Families, Children and Social Development of Canada
- Mr. **Al Kags**, Founder of the Open Institute, Kenya
- Ms. **Olga Algayerova**, Executive Secretary, UNECE (*tbc*)
- Mr. **Bill Peduto**, Mayor of Pittsburgh, United States
- Ms. **Maria Aparecida Borghetti**, Governo do Estado do Paraná, Brazil
- Prof. **Patricia McCarney**, President and CEO of the World Council on City Data, Director of the Global Cities Institute at the University of Toronto
- Mr. **Carlos Martínez**, Mayor of Soria, Spain

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- Mr. **Yujin Manaobi**, Deputy Mayor of Shizuoka, Japan
- Ms. **Sylvia Mulinge**, CEO of Vodacom Tanzania

### 16:45-18:15 **THEMATIC SESSION 4: Scaling Local Climate, Air Quality and Clean Energy Solutions**

Towards the SG's 2019 Climate Summit: Mobilizing, scaling and delivering climate, air quality and energy solutions at the Local level. (Urban foci of the summit: urban infrastructure, low-emission urban mass transport, climate resilience for the urban poor, green local governments supply chains).

Moderator: Mr. Paul Clements-Hunt, CEO, The Blended Capital Group

- Ms. **Diann Black-Layne**, Ambassador for Climate Change, Antigua and Barbuda (*tbc*)
- Mr. **Ashok Sridharan**, Mayor of Bonn, Germany, and President of ICLEI
- Ms. **Rachel Kyte**, CEO of Sustainable Energy for All (SEforALL), Special Representative of the Secretary-General for Sustainable Energy for All, Co-Chair of UN Energy
- Mr. **Jan Van Zanen**, Mayor of Utrecht, the Netherlands
- Mr. **Ricky Paugh**, COO of QEV
- Mr. **Marcelino Chumpi**, President of Morona Santiago, Ecuador
- Dr. **Ingolf Dietrich**, Commissioner for the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development, German Federal Ministry for Economic Cooperation and Development (BMZ)