Third Local and Regional Governments Forum on the 2030 Agenda
“The Decade of Action: Bolstering change from the ground-up”
Special High-Level Event on the occasion of the 2020 Edition of the High-Level Political Forum
13 July, 2020 - 08.30 – 12.30 EDT

Master of Ceremonies
• Emilia Saiz, Secretary General of United Cities and Local Governments (UCLG)

OPENING CEREMONY
08.30 – 09.00

• Mr. Liu Zhenmin, Under-Secretary-General for Economic and Social Affairs, United Nations
• Ms. Maimunah Mohd Sharif, Under-Secretary-General and Executive Director of UN-Habitat
• Dr. Mohamed Boudra, Mayor of Alhoceima, President of the Moroccan Association of Mayors, President of United Cities and Local Governments (UCLG)
• Mr. Mahmoud Mohieldin, Special Envoy of the Secretary-General on Financing the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development

DELIVERING UNIVERSAL BASIC SERVICES
09.00 - 09.50

Moderated by Mr. Rafael Tuts, Director of Global Solutions Division, UN-Habitat

• Mr. Magnus Berntsson, President of the Assembly of European Regions and Vice President of the Regional Council VP of Västra Götaland and Regional Minister of Environment
• Rev Mpho Moruakgomo, Chair of the Commonwealth Local Governments Forum
• Ms. Tri Rismaharini, Mayor of Surabaya, President of UCLG Asia Pacific
• Mr. Abdessamad Sekkal, President of the Rabat-Salé-Kénitra Regional Council, President of ORU Fogar
• Mr. Osama Alazzam, Director General of the Cities and Villages Development Bank, Acting Secretary General for Ministry of Local Administration, Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan
• Mr. David Boys, Deputy Secretary General, Public Services International
- **Ms. Maria Soledad Cisterna Reyes**, Special Envoy of the UNSG on Disability and Accessibility

**MULTILEVEL TERRITORIAL GOVERNANCE AND SUSTAINABLE FINANCING**
09:50–10:40

Moderated by **Mr. Haoliang Xu**, UN Assistant Secretary-General and UNDP Director of Bureau for Policy and Programme Support

- **Ms. Thembisile Nkadimeng**, Mayor of Polokwane, President of the South African Association of Local Governments, UCLG Co-President
- **Ms. Claudia López**, Mayor of Bogota
- **Mr. Ashok Sridharan**, Mayor of Bonn, President of ICLEI – Local Governments for Sustainability
- **Ms. Celestine Ketcha Courtes**, Minister of Housing and Urban Development of Cameroon
- **Dr. Linda Bilmes**, Professor, Kennedy School of Government, Harvard University, member of the United Nations Committee of Experts on Public Administration (CEPA)

**PAUSE**
10:40–11:00

**BUILDING BACK BETTER**
11:00–11:50

Moderated by **Mr. Elliot Harris**, Assistant Secretary-General for Economic Development and Chief Economist, United Nations

- **Mr. Ilsur Metshin**, Mayor of Kazan, President of United Nations Advisory Committee of Local Authorities (UNACLA)
- **Ms. Fatma Sahin**, Mayor of Gaziantep, President of the Union of Municipalities of Turkey
- **Mr. Wim Dries**, Mayor of Genk, Chairman of the Association of Flemish Cities and Municipalities
- **Mr. Armand Béouindé**, Mayor of Ouagadougou
- **Ms. Adriana Allen**, President of the Habitat International Coalition
- **Mr. Andrew Wilson**, Permanent Observer for the International Chamber of Commerce (ICC) to the United Nations
CLOSING CEREMONY
11:50 – 12:30

- **Mr. Tijjani Muhammad Bande**, President of the UN General Assembly
- **Mr. Christian di Candia**, Mayor of Montevideo, UCLG Vice-President
- **Ms. Ada Colau**, Mayor of Barcelona, UCLG Special Envoy to the United Nations
- **Mr. Selwin Hart**, Secretary-General’s Special Adviser and Assistant Secretary-General of the Climate Action Team