



Event Details

Title of Event

Innovative governance for low-emission, climate resilient cities

Organization Details

Organization: ICLEI - Local Governments for Sustainability

Organization Country: Germany

Summary

The session will discuss the content of a new guide for member states on how to integrate human settlements issues into Nationally Determined Contributions (NDCs). This guide will highlight innovative practices and give a step-by-step approach to harness the power of human settlements and subnational governments, in raising the ambition and delivering on NDCs. 2020 is a crucial year in which member states are required to submit new NDCs of higher ambition, before COP-26 in December. Effective multi-level governance requires integration of local government recommendations and actors into national decision-making processes. Such vertically integrated policy development helps national governments to better deliver national development and climate action, while simultaneously enabling local governments to deliver better services. The scale and pace of the change required to deliver on both the Paris Agreement and Agenda 2030 requires significant innovation in how governments create the right enabling framework for action on multiple objectives, including how national and local priorities are set and harmonized, how different government actors and sectors collaborate, devise policy, channel financing, and monitor progress. As part of the European Commission funded “Accelerating climate action through promotion of Urban Low Emission Development Strategies” (Urban-LEDS II for short) that is supporting local and national governments together to deliver climate and development goals, ICLEI and UN-Habitat are convening a networking event at the 10th World Urban Forum to have an open dialogue between national and local governments, as well as supporting partners. This event will present solutions to foster constructive partnerships based on the good practices and opportunities for innovation for effective multi-level governance. Of particular interest is how to ensure not only the vertical integration of climate action, but also its horizontal integration across national government sectors. The session will therefore aim to bring together those working in various urban sectors, with those working specifically on climate change.

Other Organization name

UN-Habitat Climate Change Planning Unit

Prospective moderator, speaker(s) or panelist(s)

	First Name	Last Name	Role	Organization
1	Maryke	van Staden	Moderator (Female)	ICLEI World Secretariat
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4	Binaben	Acharya	Panelist (Female)	Rajkot Municipal Corporation, India
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