



Event Details

Title of Event

Innovative national and local urban policies to achieve the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) and implement the New Urban Agenda (NUA).

Organization Details

Organization: Ministry of Regional Development

Organization Country: Brazil

Summary

Since the adoption of the 2030 Agenda with the SDGs and the New Urban Agenda, national and local governments worldwide are committed to implementing the approach, guidelines and goals of both agendas. In a context of close interdependency between economic, social and environmental issues, international agendas offer key tools for governments to fine-tune their policies. However, the adoption of these global frameworks also represents challenges for countries that are committed to their implementation. Event though these challenges vary from country to country, there are some common aspects: 1) translating general guidelines into national and local contexts; 2) connecting sectoral policies and adopting innovative approaches to achieve multisectoral goals; and 3) ensuring the incorporation of global frameworks by local governments in a coordinated way, especially in federal countries like Brazil. Cities and regions have a crucial role to play in achieving both global agendas. While the SDGs were not specifically designed for or by cities and regions, it is estimated that 65% of the 169 targets underlying the 17 SDGs will not be reached without proper engagement of and co-ordination with local and regional governments. Implementing the New Urban Agenda also requires joining forces between national and local governments. The OECD is supporting cities and regions in fostering a territorial approach to the SDGs, and the OECD Principles on Urban Policy are reinforcing the New Urban Agenda by guiding national and local governments in building smart, sustainable and inclusive cities. The Brazilian Ministry of Regional Development (MDR) is currently coordinating a national process of formulating the National Urban Development Policy (PNDU), with particular focus on mainstreaming the SDGs and the NUA into the Brazilian Urban Agenda. Inspired by the structure of the SDGs, Brazil is formulating its own Urban Development Goals (ODUs) as a backbone for the PNDU. The PNDU is therefore conceived as a multisectoral and multilevel approach oriented towards economic-social-environmental sustainability and territorial diversity. During this WUF10side event, MDR expects to promote a fruitful exchange of innovative ideas and practices related to the implementation of the SDGs and NUA with other countries and local governments, which can foster a culture of change to drive more sustainable urbanization.

Other Organization name

Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD) and the Deutsche Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit (GIZ)

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

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2	Günther	Wehenpohl	Speaker	Deutsche Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit (GIZ) GmbH
3	Ana Claudia	Rosbach	Speaker	Cities Alliance
4	Aziza	Akhmouch	Speaker	Head of the Cities, Urban Policies and Sustainable Development Division, OECD
5	Representative of Niti Aayog		Speaker	Niti Aayog - Government of India
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