

Equality and Care: The Future for People

Consultation towards the UN Summit of the Future and SDG Summit

Date and time: Wednesday 12th October, 17:30 KST

Duration: 90 minutes

Lead organizer: UCLG World Organization

Session summary

Our world is at a moment that we could define as foundational. The number of overlapping crises, their universal nature, and their degree of interconnection places us in front of an unprecedented scenario that represents an important wake-up call to transform, all together, our systems and ways of life.

Confronted with a closing window of opportunity, it is now time for the local multilateral system to demonstrate it is ready to join national and international partners in bringing about truly transformative action by reinvigorating the multilateral system so it is fit for the challenges of today and tomorrow. This is the clear and historic commitment that underlies UCLG's Pact for the Future.

Against this backdrop, we are firmly committed to contribute to a sustained and profound transformation of our societies and systems.

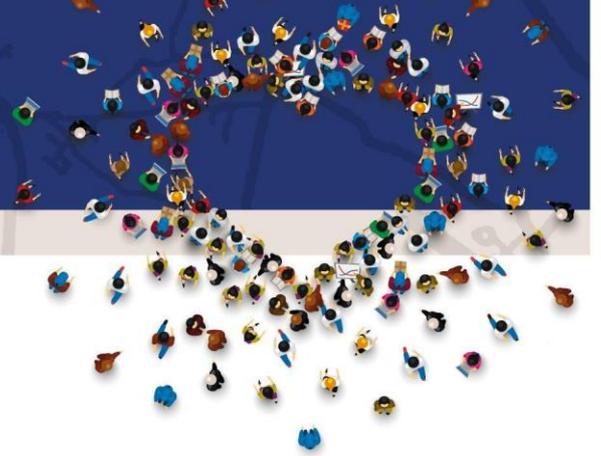
Through this Pact for the Future, UCLG members and the organized constituency of local and regional governments acknowledge the importance of this foundational moment and reinstate their commitment to the power of collective action, shared ownership and co-creation – the very cornerstones of harmonious and sustainable societies.

The Pact will serve as a crucial point for deliberation towards the Summit of the Future and the SDG Summit, set to take place next year, and frame the territorial contribution to the United Nations' Pact for the Future. It will also be a crucial lever to redouble efforts at all levels to deliver the 2030 Agenda, the Paris Agreement and the New Urban Agenda and meet the expectation of current and future generations.

This is what the Pact is powered by: the Power of We, the constituency of local and regional governments, hand in hand with its partners, ready to respond to the challenges of our era and deliver our commitments.

Local and regional priorities speaking to the Summit of the Future

The session on October 12 will be a landmark moment of consultation to ensure that our Pact for the Future of Humanity resonates with the Summit for the Future and



the upcoming UN Pact for the future. To make sure that, with our Pact, we inspire truly transformational change at scale in all parts of the world.

We are in a once-in-a-generation opportunity to review and improve our tools to respond to the challenges we face, to ensure we drive a profound transformation of our societies and our systems.

Putting care at the heart of the Pact

The pact places people at the center, deepening the needs of current generations and expanding the rights of future ones by guaranteeing public services and the commons.

As we acknowledge the impact of growing inequalities within and between cities, the Pact will seek to deliver fairness and intersectional justice for everyone and for every place. It will be a pledge to place equality and care as the indispensable building blocks of any sustainable and thriving society. This includes ensuring access to services, rights, and co-creation with our communities, promoting enabling environments that are open, healthy, and livable, for a humane sense of our cities and territories, resizing contemporary life through more care, social life and proximity for all.

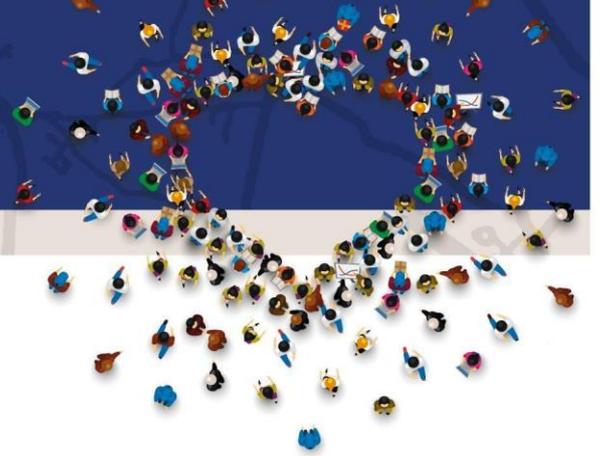
Citizens that are informed and empowered, environments that are healthy, and institutions that serve with care and pursuing equality will restore trust in institutions and boost hope, solidarity and optimism, liberating our collective imaginations, and instill a new sense of what is possible.

Objectives

The session will foster a dialogue between representatives of local and regional governments and other actors, including national and international representatives and partners, on the Pact for the Future for People as a driver to accelerate the achievement of the universal agendas at territorial level presenting policy experiences and innovative approaches from different places of the world to approach governance issues central for the development of caring societies based on feminism and local service provision, i.e. municipal feminism, health beyond healthcare, human rights, migration, peacebuilding and city diplomacy, or culture.

Specific objectives

- Develop a consultation to ensure that the Pact speaks to the SDG Summit and Summit of the Future, and ahead of the UN Pact for the Future
- Discuss and elaborate recommendations to nourish the Pact for the Future of People.



- Explore new approaches and showcase local and regional stories to deepen governance issues towards the development of caring societies.
- Explore the linkages between the Pact for the Future and the UN Summit of the Future as a crucial milestone to accelerate the 2030 Agenda.

Main deliverables/impact of the session

Contributions made during the session will be included in the outcome of the 2022 Daejeon Summit: The *people* axis of the Pact for the Future to ensure that all perspectives strengthen the UCLG work plan and political priorities.

Deroulé of the session

POLITICAL VISION

- **Nuria Marín**, Mayor of Hospitalet de Llobregat, President of Provincial Government of Barcelona

PARTNERS ASPIRATIONS

- **Tedros Adhanom Ghebreyesus**, Director-General of the World Health Organization
- **António Vitorino**, Director-General of the International Organization for Migration, Coordinator of the UN Migration Network
- **Anita Bathia**, Assistant Secretary-General of the United Nations and Deputy Executive Director of UN Women
- **Vandana Shiva**, Climate change activist and writer
- **Elana Wong**, UCLG Youth Caucus
- **Lorena Zárate**, Global Platform for the Right to the City

CONSULTATION

Facilitated by: Sithole Mbanga, Chief Executive Officer, South African Cities Network

- **Rohey Malick Lowe**, Mayor of Banjul
- **Philippe Rio**, Mayor of Grigny
- **Carolina Cosse**, Mayor of Montevideo
- **Altai Kulginov**, Mayor of Nur-Sultan
- **Yousef Al-Shawarbeh**, Mayor of Amman
- **Anibal Gaviria**, Governor of Antioquia
- **Carlos Moedas**, Mayor of Lisbon



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Rapporteur: William Cobbett

PLEDGE FOR THE FUTURE FOR PEOPLE

- **Mingyuan Li**, Mayor of Xian, UCLG Co-President