

Localizing the 2030 Agenda: transformative coalitions with local and regional governments SDG Summit Official Side Event Proposal

SDG Action Weekend 17 September

Description:

In this mid-term review year of the SDGs, local and regional governments renew their resolve to accelerate the implementation of the 2030 Agenda by emphasizing its interlinkage with other global agendas such as the New Urban Agenda, placing SDG 11 at the center of implementation, and through dialogue with national government, the international community, and stakeholders.

During this side event, the local and regional government constituency will present their contributions to the High Impact Initiative on SDG Localization. Special focus will be placed on coalitions led by local and regional governments that have multiplier effects and build on local-global partnerships with other levels of government and stakeholders. Key thematic issues such as gender equality, youth, population, care, and multilevel governance will be highlighted. The dialogue between national governments and local and regional governments will be emphasized through the interaction with the *Group of Friends of UN-Habitat, Sustainable Urbanization and the New Urban Agenda*. Perspectives will be brought from UN agencies such as UN-Habitat and UNFPA as well as from stakeholder networks: the Local Authorities Major Group, the Children and Youth Major Group and Huairou Commission.

Directly aiming at informing the SDG Summit and preparing for the UN Summit of the Future, emphasis will be placed on transformative and future-oriented initiatives which facilitate synergies among government and civil society.

Proposed Partners:

- Local Authorities Major Group (UCLG and the Global Taksforce of Local and Regional Governments)
- Group of Friends of UN-Habitat, Sustainable Urbanization and the New Urban Agenda.
- UN-Habitat
- United Nations Population Fund
- Children and Youth Major Group
- Huairou Commission