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High Level Event on Boosting the Localization of the Agenda 2030

27 October 2023, 09:30-16:30, Madrid

Venue: Instituto Cervantes (Assembly Hall), Calle Barquillo 4, Madrid

Panel 1. Opening (9:30 - 10:30)

- ♦ **Mr. José Manuel Albares**, Acting Minister of Foreign Affairs, European Union and Cooperation, Spanish Government.
- ♦ Ms. Amina J. Mohammed, Deputy Secretary-General of the United Nations and Chair of the United Nations Sustainable Development Group (video).
- Mr. Michal Mlynár, Deputy Executive Director of UN-Habitat.
- ♦ **Ms. Iliana Ivanova**, Commissioner of Innovation, Research, Culture, Education and Youth, European Commission (video).
- ♦ Ms. Isilda Gomes, Vice-President of the European Committee of the Regions (CoR), Chair of the CoR-Commission for Natural Resources, and Mayor of Portimão.
- ♦ **Ms. Ione Belarra**, Acting Minister of Social Rights and 2030 Agenda, Spanish Government.

Panel 2. SDG's Localization at Global level (10:30 - 13:00)

1st Round Table "SDG's Localization at the EU: Domestic challenges at the halfway of the 2030 Agenda" (10:30 - 11:45)

- ♦ **Mr. Iraklis Stamos**, Policy Officer, Urban Analyst and Researcher, Joint Research Centre (JRC), European Commission.
- ♦ **Ms. Wallis Vandebrock-Goelen**, Advisor to the DG for urban and territorial development, inclusive growth and international relations and Head of the REGIO project group, European Commission (online).
- ♦ Ms. Kata Tüttő, Deputy Mayor of Budapest, and member of the European Committee of the Regions.
- ♦ Mr. Teofil Gherca, Director of URBACT Secretariat, European Commission.
- ♦ Mr. Bernhard Zlanabitnig, Member of SDG Watch Europe Steering Committee.
- ♦ MODERATED BY: Mr. Peter Schmidt, President of the NAT Section, European Economic and Social Committee (EESC).









2nd Round table "The role of the localization on the EU international cooperation: The European Consensus on Development" (11:45 - 13:00)

- ♦ Ms. Firdaous Oussidhoum, Special Adviser of the Secretary General, World Organization of Cities and Local Governments United (UCLG).
- ♦ Mr. Carlos Berrozpe García, Directorate-General for International Partnerships, (DG INTPA), European Commission.
- ♦ **Mr. Petros Kokkalis**, Member of the European Parliament and Member of the MPs-SDG Alliance.
- ♦ Ms. Leire Pajín, ISGlobal International Development Director, Chair of the Spanish chapter of the United Nations Sustainable Development Solutions Network (REDS, UN-SDSN).
- ♦ MODERATED BY: Mr. Stefano Marta, Head of Unit, Smart and Sustainable Cities, OECD.

Lunch Break (13:00 - 14:30)

Panel 3. Multilevel International Partnerships for the SDGs (14:30 - 16:00)

- ♦ Ms. Shipra Narang Suri, Head of Urban Practices Branch, UN-Habitat.
- ♦ Ms. Camilla Bruckner, Director of the UNDP Office in Europe (online).
- ♦ Mr. Jonan Fernández, Secretary General of Social Transition and 2030 Agenda, Basque Government.
- ♦ Ms. Lisa Kurbiel, Director of the Joint SDG Fund Secretariat, UN (online).
- ♦ Ms. Rosemary Kalapurakal, Deputy Director, United Nations Development Coordination Office, New York (online).
- ♦ Ms. Loredana Magni, Italian Representative at the G20 Platform for the Localisation of the SDGs and Intermediary Cities (PLIC).
- ♦ MODERATED BY: Ms. Louise Cord, Global Director for Social Sustainability and Inclusion, World Bank.

Panel 4. Closing remarks (16:00 - 16:30)

- ♦ Ms. Pilar Cancela Rodríguez, Secretary of State for International Cooperation, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, European Union and Cooperation, Spanish Government.
- ♦ **Ms. Lilith Verstrynge Revuelta**, Secretary of State for the 2030 Agenda, Ministry of Social Rights and 2030 Agenda, Spanish Government.









