



8th SUMMIT
for Subnational Governments & Cities



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8th Summit for Subnational Governments & Cities: Taking Action for Biodiversity

Official parallel event to the **CBD COP 16** in Cali, Colombia

Date Saturday 26 October 2024

Venue Plenary Room / Working Group Room 1 in Blue Zone

The 8th Summit for Subnational Governments & Cities: Taking Action for Biodiversity will gather Governors, Mayors and other subnational government leaders from around the world to engage directly with national leaders and their key stakeholders during the 16th Conference of the Parties of the Convention on Biological Diversity (CBD COP16). Engagements will focus on subnational biodiversity actions at the local and territorial scale, in contributing to the implementation of the Kunming-Montreal Global Biodiversity Framework (GBF) and the Plan of Action under Decision 15/12.



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| 08:30 | DOORS OPEN |
| 09:00 - 10:00 Opening segment | <p>The opening plenary will provide introductions to, and set the scene and tone for, the Summit as a whole. It includes the ceremonial formalities and the 'handing over of the baton from 7th Summit hosts to the 8th Summit hosts. The hosts of the 8th Summit for Subnational Governments & Cities will formally welcome the Mayors, Governors, other VIPs and delegates, and declare the Summit open. The opening plenary speakers will each make opening remarks expressing their ambitions for the Summit and COP outcomes.</p> <p>Speakers</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Alejandro Eder, Mayor of Cali, Colombia • Susana Muhamad, COP16 President & Minister of Environment and Sustainable Development, Colombia (tbc) • Jacob Martin-Malus, Deputy Minister of Biodiversity, Wildlife and Parks, Quebec, Canada • Marie-Andrée Mauger, Deputy Mayor of, Montreal, Canada • Susan Gardner, Director of Ecosystems Division, UNEP • John Swinney, First Minister, Scotland & Regions4 President • Alfredo Coro, Mayor of Del Carmen Philippines and Lead of ICLEI's Biodiversity Portfolio <p>Master of Ceremonies</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Kobie Brand, Deputy Secretary General, ICLEI <p>Recognition of main sponsor and short intervention by Angel Cardenas, Manager Urban Development, and Water and Creative Economies</p> |





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| <p>10:05 - 10:25</p> <p>Launch of the Community of Practice Against Criminal Economies Affecting Biodiversity</p> | <p>Launch of the Community of Practice Against Criminal Economies Affecting Biodiversity by the Mayor of Cali.</p> <p>Speakers</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Alejandro Eder, Mayor of Cali, Colombia• George Hodgson, British Ambassador, Colombia |
| <p>10:35 - 12:00</p> <p>PARTNERING</p> <p>Session 1 Bridging the biodiversity finance gap: Partnering for nature</p> | <p>This session will explore innovative solutions, mechanisms and partnerships between subnational governments, cities, the private sector, and Multilateral Development Banks (MDBs) to address the biodiversity finance gap. It will highlight successful case studies and collaborations to scale financial solutions for urban and territorial (landscape level) biodiversity initiatives.</p> <p>Scene Setter</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Wade Crowfoot, Secretary of Natural Resources, California, United states <p>Panel 1</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Oscar Alberto Reborá Aguilera, Secretary of Environment, Quintana Roo, Mexico• Cristian Zamora, Mayor of Cuenca, Ecuador• Alope Barnwal, Senior Climate Change Specialist, Global Environment Facility• Huang Runqiu, Senior Representative, Ministry of Ecology and Environment of People's Republic of China <p>Moderator</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Cristina Gomez Garcia Reyes, Lead, Net-Zero Nature-Positive Cities, World Economic Forum <p>Panel 2</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Midori Sugino, Deputy Mayor of Nagoya, Japan• Luis Francisco Ruiz Aguilar, Governor, Caquetá, Colombia• Tian Chen, Director General, Beijing Municipal Ecology and Environment Bureau, China• Hans Stielstra, Deputy Head of Unit, Natural Capital and Ecosystem Health, European Commission <p>Moderator</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Togo Uchida, Director, ICLEI Japan |



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| <p data-bbox="124 728 287 761">12:00 - 12:20</p> <p data-bbox="79 840 335 1041">Supporting statements from Global Taskforce of Local and Regional Governments and other Assemblies</p> | <p data-bbox="406 369 973 414">Introduction of all speakers on stage</p> <ul data-bbox="406 459 1380 492" style="list-style-type: none">• Shu Zu, Regional Secretary, ICLEI East Asia & representative of Chinese city <p data-bbox="406 526 742 571">Messages of support</p> <p data-bbox="406 616 869 649">United Cities and Local Governments</p> <ul data-bbox="406 649 917 683" style="list-style-type: none">• Ana Lucia Reis, Co-President of UCLG <p data-bbox="406 728 1013 761">Global Covenant of Mayors for Climate & Energy</p> <ul data-bbox="406 761 1420 828" style="list-style-type: none">• Gregor Robertson, Special Envoy for Cities in CHAMP and Global Ambassador Global Covenant of Mayors <p data-bbox="406 862 861 896">European Committee of the Regions</p> <ul data-bbox="406 896 1492 974" style="list-style-type: none">• Roby Biwer, Member of the European Committee of the Regions, and Councillor of Bettembourg, Luxembourg <p data-bbox="406 1008 1204 1041">Associação Brasileira de Entidades Estaduais de Meio Ambiente</p> <ul data-bbox="406 1041 1428 1108" style="list-style-type: none">• Mauren Lazzaretti, ABEMA President and Secretary for the Environment, Mato Grosso State, Brazil <p data-bbox="406 1153 678 1187">United Arab Emirates</p> <ul data-bbox="406 1187 1508 1288" style="list-style-type: none">• H.E. Dr. Amna Al Dahak, Minister of Climate Change and Environment of the UAE, on behalf of His Highness Sheikh Mohammed bin Zayed Al Nahyan, President of the UAE and Ruler of Abu Dhabi <p data-bbox="406 1332 526 1366">Colombia</p> <ul data-bbox="406 1366 1189 1400" style="list-style-type: none">• Luis Gilberto Murillo, Minister of Foreign Affairs, Colombia <p data-bbox="406 1433 821 1478">Word of thanks & closing</p> <ul data-bbox="406 1523 981 1556" style="list-style-type: none">• Jordan Harris, Executive Director, Regions4 |

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| <p data-bbox="124 1635 287 1668">12:20 - 13:30</p> | <p data-bbox="399 1635 582 1668">LUNCH BREAK</p> |
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| <p>13:30 - 15:00</p> <p>PROGRESS</p> <p>Session 2 Whole-of-government solutions: Showcasing implementation progress made in urban and territorial action for biodiversity</p> | <p>This session will reflect on the progress made towards the implementation of the Global Biodiversity Framework (GBF) and Decision 15/12 Plan of Action, and other biodiversity-related Conventions and agendas, such as climate change. It considers an engagement with experts and policymakers to develop cohesive strategies that support both biodiversity protection, restoration and conservation at all levels of government.</p> <p>Scene Setter</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Dr Debra Roberts, former Co-chair, Working Group II, IPCC and Head of the Sustainable and Resilient City Initiatives Unit, eThekweni, South Africa; and Professor Willem Schermerhorn Chair in Open Science from a Majority World Perspective, at the University of Twente, and Honorary Professor, School of Life Sciences, University of KwaZulu-Natal. <p>Panel 1</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Irene Galindo, Deputy Mayor of Los Cabos, Mexico• Alfredo Coro, Mayor of Del Carmen Philippines and Lead of ICLEI's Biodiversity Portfolio• Andre Mauricio Granda Garrido, Governor, Pastaza, Ecuador• Regina Musoke, Mayor of Nansana, Uganda <p>Moderator</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Rodrigo Perpetuo, Regional Secretary, ICLEI South America <p>Panel 2</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Gemma Harper, Chief Executive, Joint Nature Conservation Committee, Government of the United Kingdom• Peter Anyang' Nyong'o, Governor, Kisumu County, Kenya• Michelle Rubirola, Deputy Mayor of Marseilles, France <p>Moderator</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Jordan Harris, Executive Director, Regions4 <p>Concluding remarks</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Carlos Manual Rodriguez , CEO, Global Environment Facility |





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| <p>15:00 - 16:30</p> <p>PEACE</p> <p>Session 3</p> <p>Living in harmony & making peace with nature: Sharing innovative practices</p> | <p>This session showcases best practices and innovative solutions from local and subnational governments and other stakeholders that promote peaceful coexistence with nature. Focus areas include sustainable land management, restoration practices, and natural resource governance. It will allow attendees to learn from successful initiatives that demonstrate how cities and communities can live in harmony with nature, fostering sustainable development and biodiversity conservation.</p> <p>Scene Setter</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Xiomara Acevedo Navarro, CEO and Founder, Barranquilla+20 <p>Panel</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Edouard Hervé Mony Mpah, Mayor of Douala IV, Cameroon• Alejandro Char Chaljub, Mayor of Barranquilla, Colombia• Rika Makino, Vice Governor, Aichi, Japan• Jordi Sagatal, Minister of Ecological Transition, Catalonia• Elkin Velasquez, Latin America Representative, UN-Habitat• Eleonora Betancur, Director, National Cooperation Agency of Colombia <p>Moderator</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Tony Nello, Senior Programme Coordinator – Cities, IUCN |
| <p>16:30 - 17:00</p> | <p>TEA/COFFEE BREAK</p> |
| <p>17:00 - 19:30</p> <p>Special announcements</p> | <p>Exciting announcements from a wide range of leading subnational governments, cities, their networks and partners.</p> <p>Speakers</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Kobie Brand, Deputy Secretary General, ICLEI• Amy Fraenkel, Executive Secretary, Convention on the Conservation of Migratory Species of Wild Animals; and Ana María Aljure, City Manager, Barranquilla, Colombia• Musonda Mumba, Secretary General, Wetlands Convention• Adiam Emery, Deputy Mayor of Seattle, United States; Amanda Lloyd, Director, Global Programs, University of Pennsylvania & Sharon Gil, Programme Management Officer and Cities Lead, UNEP• Jean Lemire, Envoy for Climate Change, Northern and Arctic Affairs & Jacob Martin Malus, Assistant Deputy Minister for Biodiversity, Wildlife and Parks, Quebec• Shu Zu, Regional Secretary, ICLEI East Asia & representative of Chinese city• Britta Behrendt, Permanent Secretary for Climate Protection and the Environment, Berlin, Germany• Vanessa Grazziotin, Executive Director, ACTO & Rodrigo Perpetuo, Regional Secretary, ICLEI South America• Loreley Picourt, Executive Director, Oceans and Climate Platform & Ricardo Alvarado, Mayor, Omoa, Honduras• Audrey Inga Timm, Program Manager, AIPH |

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| <p>19:30 - 20:00</p> <p>Closing segment</p> | <p>The closing plenary will serve as a culmination of the Summit.</p> <p>Speakers</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Astrid Schomaker, Executive Secretary, Convention on Biological Diversity • Alejandro Eder, Mayor of Cali, Colombia • Jordan Harris, Executive Director, Regions4 • Kobie Brand, Deputy Secretary General, ICLEI <p>Master of Ceremonies</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ingrid Coetzee, Director, Biodiversity, Nature and Health, ICLEI |



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