WUF 9 | Networking Event

Localising the Sustainable Development Goals by implementing the New Urban Agenda: A call for decentralised governmental and administrative structures

Time and Date: Saturday, 10 February, 9:00-11:00 AM

Venue: Room 403 Conference Venue, Kuala Lumpur Convention Center.
Organisers: DeLoG (Development Partners Network on Decentralisation and Local Governance)
Partner: Asian Development Bank (ADB), European Commission’s Directorate-General for International Cooperation and Development (DG DEVCO), French Ministry for Europe and Foreign Affairs (MAE), German Federal Ministry for Economic Cooperation and Development (BMZ), United Cities and Local Governments (UCLG)

About the Networking Event

This event discusses opportunities and approaches for strengthening multi-level governance frameworks that empower cities and municipalities to implement the NUA and localise the 2030 Agenda. As decentralisation reforms are highly political processes, they need to be aligned with the overall public sector reform process and consider national urban policies. On the one hand, this requires a multi-stakeholder dialogue between different levels of government and the promotion of decentralised governmental and administrative structures. On the other hand, it requires active urban ownership and leadership, strengthened local capacities as well as participatory planning processes and local governance mechanisms that ensure accountability.

This event addresses the role of municipalities and national governments in aligning the NUA and the 2030 Agenda as well as the support provided by international development partners. It highlights ideas for partnerships and initiatives for the localisation of the SDGs and emphasizes the need to provide coherent, harmonised and aligned support for building the capacities of key actors of decentralisation reforms.

Expected outcomes

- Increased recognition that coherent national decentralisation strategies and urbanisation policies must be aligned with each other to ensure an enabling environment for a multi-level and multi-actor “pact” for urban governance as a cornerstone for the NUA to succeed.
- Showcased entry points for relevant stakeholder to work on improved governance frameworks and local owner-/leadership as a prerequisite for implementing the NUA
- Strengthened ties between DeLoG network members, partner countries and municipalities
- If possible, identifying a group of participants willing to jointly work on a global DeLoG study on Development Effectiveness and localising the SDGs.

Guiding questions

- How do municipalities, national governments and international development partners promote the implementation and the alignment of both the New Urban Agenda and the 2030 Agenda (Localising the SDGs)?
- What is necessary to strengthen policy coherence between national urban policies and national decentralisation policies?
- How to develop legal, political and fiscal frameworks that enable municipalities to fulfil their role as development actors?
- In what way can constructive multi-level governance structures and multi-stakeholder dialogues be established and sustained? How can DeLoG members and partners contribute to strengthening such dialogues? How can local governments be involved in the coordination and follow-up mechanism?
- How do national governments prepare for reporting on progress regarding SDG 11 at the High Level Political Forum in July 2018 and how do they engage municipalities and other stakeholders?

Speakers

- **Dr. Philipp Rode**, Executive Director LSE Cities, Associate Professorial Research Fellow, Co-Director Executive MSc in Cities, London School of Economics (LSE)
- **Mr. Paolo Ciccarelli**, Head of Unit C5 - Cities, Local Authorities, Digitilisation, Infrastructure, DEVCO
- **Mr. Tran Quoc Thai**, Deputy Director General, Urban Development Agency, Ministry of Construction, Vietnam
- **Mr. Emmanuel Puisais-Jauvin**, Deputy Director General for Global Affairs, French Ministry for Europe and Foreign Affairs
- **Mr. Oswar Muadzin Mungkasa**, Deputy Governor of Jakarta for Spatial Planning and Environment, Jakarta Provincial Government, Indonesia, representing UCLG Asia Pacific
- **Mr. Arfi Rafnialdi**, Mayor’s Advisor for Public Policy, Bandung City, Indonesia

**Moderation: Mr. Andreas Proksch**, GIZ, Head of department “Sector and Global Programmes”

About DeLoG

DeLoG is a network of 29 bi- and multilateral development organisations active in the field of decentralisation and local governance. DeLoG provides a platform for joint learning and knowledge exchange on the implementation of decentralisation reforms. More information can be found on the website [www.delog.org](http://www.delog.org).
AGENDA

Moderation: Andreas Proksch, GIZ, Head of department “Sector and Global Programmes”

5 min  Welcome / Brief introduction to DeLoG

15 min  Academic input:

Dr. Philipp Rode, Executive Director LSE Cities, Associate Professorial Research Fellow, Co-Director Executive MSc in Cities, London School of Economics (LSE)

25 min  Panel discussion

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20 min  Q & A Session

10 min  Show casing a good practice example: experience of Bandung City, Indonesia

Mr. Arfi Rafnialdi, Advisor for Public Policy to the Mayor of Bandung City

20 min  Open Dialogue

15 min  Wrap-up and recommendations