



NGO Committee on Sustainable Development-NY

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Invitation

2020 HLPF Parallel Dialogue

Sustainable Cities & COVID-19: Plans for Action

Thursday, July 16, 2020

1PM to 3PM EDT

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Cities are at the center of today's most urgent crisis, the COVID-19 pandemic. This lively dialogue focuses on how the implementation of the Sustainable Development Goals now taking place in urban places is so vitally important to the global recovery. As has been observed in the past, successful achievement of 65% of the 169 SDG targets will occur in cities, and regions -- never has this work been so critical to ensure that we 'build back better.' Plans for action include innovations across the world from New York City to Nairobi. Speakers are drawn from non-governmental organizations, grassroots, academia, the United Nations and professions. Globally cities are developing Plans for Action due to COVID-19 to support all people - of every age.

Co-Sponsors: NGO Major Group Urban Cluster, General Assembly of Partners, Soroptimist International, Consortium for Sustainable Urbanization, Global Family, Youth for a Better World/Montessori Model UN, UN2020, SDG Impact Awards, ASPAFrique, Caring & Living As Neighbors, UNA-USA Council of Organizations.

Welcome & Introductions:

- Margo LaZaro, President/Chair of the NGOCSD-NY, Convener of the NGO/MG Urban Cluster and Co-Founder/CSO of the SDG Impact Awards

Keynotes:

- Shipra Narang Suri, Chief, Urban Practices Branch, Global Solutions Div., UN-Habitat, Nairobi, Kenya
- Yunus Arikan. Director of Global Advocacy at ICLEI/LGMA Local Authorities Constituency

Dialogue Panel:

- Katherine Kline, Co-Chair, Committee on Older Persons for General Assembly of Partners
- Theodore Liebman, Principal, Perkins Eastman, VP of Consortium for Sustainable Urbanization
- Dr. Anna Rubbo, Senior Scholar, Center for Sustainable Urban Development at the Earth Institute, Columbia University
- Aline Rahbany, Technical Director, Urban Programming of World Vision International
- Mary Muia, Soroptimist International UN Rep, Nairobi. Kenya
- Lance Jay Brown, President of the Consortium for Sustainable Urbanization
- David Michael Terungwa, ASPAFrique, Climate Reality, Abuja, Nigeria
- Jane Katz, Vice Chair, Global Urban Development, Co-Chair of Civil Society for GAP
- Dr. Eugénie L. Birch, Co-Director of Penn Institute for Urban Research & President of the General Assembly of Partners

Respondents:

- Jeffery Huffines, Senior Advisor of UN2020 & Together First
- Aaron Etra, Chair of UNA-USA Council of Organizations

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