

Side Event: Multilevel Policy for Stronger Intermediary Cities	
ORGANIZATION (PARTNER ORGANIZATIONS)	United Cities and Local Governments (UCLG) UN-Habitat Cities Alliance
DATE/TIME	27 July, 6:30 p.m.- 7:30 p.m.
VENUE	Crystal 2
DESCRIPTION	<p>There is currently an unprecedented international momentum behind the importance of local action, the transformational potential of urbanization, and the need to create a multi-partner governance system to address universal challenges and achieve the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs).</p> <p>SDGs call explicitly for role and functions of all types of cities to be defined, and for systems of cities to be managed more efficiently. In the context of the Prep Com, partners want to highlight the intergovernmental relation, that are key to sustainable development of intermediary cities (i-cities), which support more than one-third of the world's population that live in urban areas.</p> <p>This side event will be a chance to explore the opportunities, concerns and priorities of intermediary cities and their national and regional governments in relation to the implementation of the New Urban Agenda. We are interested to learn from participants about better intergovernmental cooperation to achieve sustainable cities.</p>

