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Submitted by Lead Organization	
Name of the lead organization	SEDATU - Ministry of Agrarian, Territorial and Urban Development MEXICO
City and country where the lead organization is based	Mexico City
Title of the event	Metropolitan Governance: Multi-Level Coordination for a Comprehensive Territorial and Urban Planning
Date	10/18/2016
Room number	R21
List of partner organizations	Ministry of Agrarian, Territorial and Urban Development
Number of attendees	More than 101
Percentage of women participating	41-50%
Background information on the event (themes, issues, context).	The management of metropolis demands a systemic and innovative approach with institutional arrangements of governance that enable the capacity to plan, coordinate, finance and manage urban development beyond the temporary political-administrative frontiers that at present, conform local governments. Metropolitan governance demands better coordination mechanisms among the authorities that participate in a metropolitan area. Furthermore, instruments such as: innovative legal frameworks incorporating associative models of local government and metropolitan governance; financing schemes for strategic regional projects, and comprehensive metropolitan planning with a long-term vision are required.



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<p>Concise summary of the event proceedings, including key points discussed</p>	<p>The mechanics of the event was as follows: • The moderator presented an introduction to the general topic, and introduced the guest speakers to the audience. • Immediately afterwards, the moderator raised the following three questions during the event: 1. What should be the guiding regulatory principles and basic objectives of metropolitan governance? 2. What problems and obstacles must be overcome in order to achieve effective metropolitan governance? 3. What models and experiences have achieved successful outcomes? Every speaker was given 2 minutes for answering each of the questions • At the end, there were 10 minutes for discussion and concluding remarks. The speakers were handed the questions beforehand. There was strict participation time control. The rapporteur identified and highlighted the core assumptions and conclusions arising from the event.</p>
<p>Recommendations that emerged from these discussions.</p>	<p>The guiding principles identified were grouped in three categories, Socio-economic principles. Such as the right to the city, human rights respect, accessibility, equality, social participation, productiveness integration to wealth distribution, transparency and accountability. Spatial principles. To facilitate occupancy and access to territory and land use, massive transport system, efficient territorial management and planning. Regulatory principles. To achieve a consolidated regulatory framework for territorial planning and institutional concurrence and viability. The problems identified were the lack of political will or commitment as well as a solid institutional design and good management, avoiding administrative fragmentation. Problems on assuring alignment of the financial sector to governance were mentioned, as well as the need to have surveillance from the society, and quality-opportunity in information. There was agreement in the idea that a proper form of government should be established in order to overcome the multiplicity of authorities and functions, and the need of mitigating poverty and spatial inequalities. There were not mentioned any successful experiences in Latin America, but as recommendations, the speakers talked about overcoming territorial fragmentation through intersectorial horizontal coordination with the different levels of government. Social participation must be fostered as well as the metropolitan consciousness. They also suggested to consolidate planning institutions and operative agencies or organizations to cope with the administrative term changes.</p>
<p>Name, nationality, title and organization of the 1st speaker at your event.</p>	<p>Dr. Eleoterio Codato. Brazilian. Secretario Nacional de Acessibilidade e Programas Urbano</p>



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Name, nationality, title and organization of the 2nd speaker at your event.	Prof. Peter Ward. British. University of Texas
Name, nationality, title and organization of the 3rd speaker at your event.	Eng. Victor Azuero. Colombian . Director Área Metropolitana de Bucaramanga
Name, nationality, title and organization of the 4th speaker at your event.	Victor Ramirez Navarro. Mexican. Lawyer and urbanist, President of FOROPOLIS (ONG)
Name, nationality, title and organization of the 5th speaker at your event.	Maria Elena Barrera. Mexican. Senator of the Housing Comission (MEXICO)
Name, nationality, title and organization of the 6th speaker at your event.	Alberto Orozco Ochoa. Mexican. Private consultant