

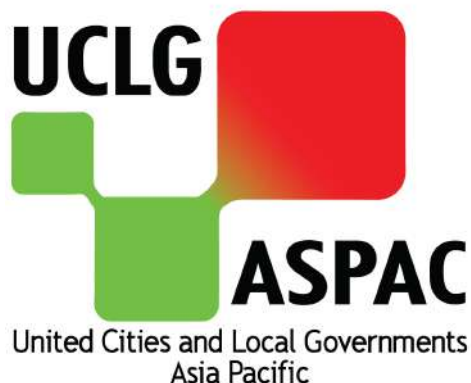
OUR VOICE WORK

for SUSTAINABLE CITY DEVELOPMENT



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About UCLG ASPAC

UCLG ASPAC is the largest Regional Section of the United Cities and Local Governments (UCLG), a world wide association, and the only local government organisation recognised by the United Nations. UCLG was established on 1 January 2004 and is headquartered in Barcelona, Spain. The United Cities and Local Governments Asia Pacific (UCLG ASPAC) was established in Taipei on 14 April 2004. The United Cities and Local Governments Asia Pacific (UCLG ASPAC) is the key knowledge management hub on local government issues in the Asia Pacific region. Its scope of works includes Advocacy, Capacity Building, Policy and Research, Programme and Projects, and Decentralised Cooperation.

The Asia-Pacific region has linkages to more than 7,000 local governments. It represents well over 3.76 billion people. It makes up more than half of the world's population— and incorporates economically fast developing countries such as China, India, and Indonesia.

UCLG ASPAC members are mostly individual cities, local governments and their associations. UCLG ASPAC Secretariat is hosted by Capital City Government of Jakarta, Indonesia.

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Dear valued members and partners,

I am glad to be able to greet you again at the end of year 2019. Looking back at what we have been through, I am really thankful for the opportunity to preside over this great organisation from 2018 to 2020.

In 2019, I saw tremendous collaborations and efforts that we conducted together with partners and members. Our voice and work have been able to inspire other cities aspiring for further development in the Asia Pacific region and beyond. Our presence in various regional and global forums have helped in raising awareness, promoting good practices and initiatives, and uplifting local voices to be heard.

I thank our partners and member cities for the great works and collaborations. My special thanks also go to UCLG ASPAC Secretariat Team, without whom these great achievements could have not been possible.

I hope our achievements in 2019 can fuel our motivation to move forward in 2020. Let us focus our work further for the development of our cities and improvement of our people.

Mayor Tri Rismaharini of Surabaya
President, UCLG ASPAC



Dear valued readers,

I am proud to present you the summary of our work, achievements, and collaborations as shown in this Annual Report 2019.

Global and regional platforms and forums such as ASEAN Mayors Forum, High-level Political Forum, Policy Forum on Development, UCLG World Congress, and Global Platform 2019, have witnessed our contribution in sharing insights from Asia and the Pacific region. Through these platforms, we have promoted cities' initiatives, connected distinguished local leaders with the global networks, as well as amplified local voices in the global stage.

Through our work, such as in the field of environment, localisation of global agenda, public space, and disaster management, we assisted local governments in developing their cities and ensuring their commitments realised through implementation of various programmes.

I thank our partners and member cities that maintain their commitment to support us for sustainable city development. Let us start 2020 with renewed commitment, more achievements, and create much better improvements!

Dr. Bernadia Irawati Tjandradewi
Secretary General, UCLG ASPAC



HIGHLIGHTS

ASEAN MAYORS FORUM

REINVIGORATES CITIES' AND LOCAL GOVERNMENTS'
COMMITMENTS FOR A SUSTAINABLE AND INCLUSIVE REGION





From its establishment 52 years ago, ASEAN is now one of the major global players and recognised for its vital strategic importance. According to the ASEAN Integration Report 2019, ASEAN's population has increased from 355.1 million in 1980 to 649.1 million in 2018. By 2018, ASEAN's share of global economy has expanded to 3.5 per cent, placing the region as the 5th largest economy in the world.

Against this backdrop, the ASEAN Mayors Forum (AMF) has transformed into a matured regional network of mayors and city representatives, who are committed to ASEAN's integration and sustainable development. Since the creation of AMF in 2011, ASEAN Mayors have asserted their voices and roles, through frank dialogues and collaboration with development partners, within and outside the region. The accreditation of

AMF to ASEAN in 2018 has been a recognition from ASEAN on the importance of sub-national governments and subsequently provided further vigour to AMF's dynamics.

Year 2019 marked another positive momentum for ASEAN mayors' collaboration. The 5th AMF successfully concluded in Bangkok, Thailand, with more than three hundred fifty participants including one-hundred and thirty mayors, governors, and representatives of cities and local governments taking part. The gathering came at a critical time as ASEAN member states need to accelerate their work in various areas if the region is to get back on track in realising the SDGs and other global development agendas.

The event was organised in the framework of Thailand's ASEAN Chairmanship, and in a partnership that truly reflected local-regional-global coalition for sustainable development. The Forum was jointly conducted by the Bangkok Metropolitan Administration (BMA), the United Cities and Local Governments Asia Pacific (UCLG ASPAC), the United Nations Economic Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific (UN ESCAP), and supported by the European Union (EU), the Royal Thai Government, and almost twenty other organisations.



ASEAN Mayors interacted with the Committee of Permanent Representatives to ASEAN during the Forum.

Discussions focused on how ASEAN cities and local governments can connect with various ASEAN’s cooperation such as A Framework for Action: Complementarities between the ASEAN Community Vision 2025 and the United Nations 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development; the Master Plan on ASEAN Connectivity 2025 (MPAC); the ASEAN Smart Cities Network (ASCN); and the ASEAN Sustainable Urbanisation Strategy (ASUS). The meeting also explored how AMF can meaningfully contribute to these frameworks in order to achieve the ASEAN Community Vision 2025 that leaves no one behind.

The event concluded with the adoption of the ASEAN Mayors’ Declaration on Driving Local Actions for Sustainable and Inclusive Growth, which outlines concrete areas for further collaboration among ASEAN Mayors. The Joint Declaration of the ASEAN - Republic of Korea Mayors on the 30th Anniversary of ASEAN-ROK Dialogue Relations was also adopted.

Institutionally, AMF has set ambitious targets to realise its full catalytic force in ASEAN. The Forum has started the process to develop a Charter to strengthen organisational management, coordination and common actions. In parallel to this, ASEAN mayors have been proactively engaging with and contributing to the ASEAN Community and global agendas especially on SDGs, climate change, disaster risk reduction, and urban development. This included their participation in the ASEAN Mayors Forum (AMF) Stakeholder Consultation and Preparatory Meeting, at the 6th Asia-Pacific Forum on Sustainable Development (APFSD), Bangkok, 27-29 March 2019.

“Increased participation of local and regional governments in regional mechanisms such as the ASEAN Mayors Forum is recognised as one of the important achievements for localising SDGs in Asia-Pacific.”

3rd Report on Local and Regional Governments to the UN High-Level Political Forum on Sustainable Development Goals 2019

“Collaboration between cities is the key to deliver effective SDGs results. Greater emphasis must be also placed on enhancing the capacity of local government officers, especially in assessing, monitoring and reporting on progress of SDGs.”

Ms. Atty. Shereen Gail Yu-Pamintuan, Executive Director at the League of Cities of the Philippines

 **DOWNLOAD:**



AMF Report to ASEAN
<https://bit.ly/2O6uIr6>



Proceedings of 5th AMF
<https://bit.ly/38PqQTd>

ASSERTING LOCAL VOICE AT THE GLOBAL AND REGIONAL DISCUSSIONS ON SDGS



HLPF: LOCALISING SDGS IN EVERY ASPECT

UCLG ASPAC represented cities and local governments at the High Level Political Forum (HLPF), conducted in New York, back-to-back with United Nations Secretary-General Climate Action Summit (UNSG Climate Action Summit) from 23 to 25 September 2019. Mayor Tri Rismaharini of Surabaya, President of UCLG ASPAC inspired distinguished participants by sharing SDGs localisation conducted by city of Surabaya in the field of environment, local economic development, disaster risk management, climate and energy, and better local governance.

UCLG ASPAC PRESIDENT DISCUSSED SURABAYA'S EFFORTS ON SDGS AT HLPF

- Developing a system that allows local people to pay the public bus with plastic bottles motivates people to utilise public transport and contribute to plastic waste management.
- Building a Park and Ride Facility, improving pedestrian access, and making bike lines available motivate people to shift their transport preference.
- Pursuing a low-carbon urban area by planting millions of trees, building 475 public parks, 132 Ha of green lines, 46 Ha of Urban Forest, creating 72 reservoirs and promotion of car-free day every week.
- Conserving 2.871 Ha of Mangrove Forest in the east coastal area, which has now become new eco-tourism destination in Surabaya.
- Application of the e-government system to deliver public services online reduced operational cost of around USD29,000.
- Result: decreasing the temperature up to 2 degrees Celsius, decreasing the flooded area from 50 per cent to only less than 2 per cent, increasing the number

of purchasing power from only 13 per cent (2010) to more than 47 per cent (2017), and increasing the number of tourists visit from 15 million people (2015) to more than 27 million (2018).



“There was an understanding that an urban development that is environmentally friendly will hamper the development of the economy. However, in Surabaya, we have proven that it is not true.

*Mayor Tri Rismaharini of Surabaya
President, UCLG ASPAC*





POLICY FORUM ON DEVELOPMENT: ACCELERATED EFFORTS FOR SDGS IMPLEMENTATION

UCLG ASPAC Secretary General Dr. Bernadia Irawati Tjandradewi, in her capacity as Task Team Member of Policy Forum on Development (PFD), joined eighty representatives of various global organisations in the discussion on SDGs localisation progress and other related issues, including opportunities and challenges faced, at the PFD Asia Regional Meeting. The meeting was organised by the European Union (EU) in Kathmandu, Nepal, from 24 to 26 September 2019. Initiated by the EU, PFD facilitates structured and inclusive dialogues that bring together Civil Society Organisations (CSOs) and Local Authorities (LAs) from the EU and partner countries with European Institutions.

Points of Discussions:

- There is a need to accelerate efforts for SDGs implementation.
- SDGs are viewed as a way to renew the social contract.
- Collaboration of local governments and civil society organisations is at the heart of the discussion.
- There is a strong suggestion for legal mechanisms in some countries to go further and/or focus on most marginalised communities and specific roles of associations.
- There is rising inequality considering that cheap women labour is still considered as a competitive advantage.

Insights from Asia-Pacific:

- Social enterprises can be an empowering tool for the localisation of SDGs in the Bangsamoro Autonomous Region of Muslim Mindanao (Philippines).
- Civic engagement has been institutionalised through participatory budgeting of Naga City People's Council (Philippines).

“Accelerated efforts for SDGs implementation are needed.”

*Dr. Bernadia Irawati Tjandradewi
Secretary General, UCLG ASPAC*



UCLG ASPAC, as the Secretariat of the Asia-Pacific Local Government Body, facilitates the representation of local government in regional platforms. The APLG organised the Local Government Assembly at the Asia-Pacific Urban Forum on 14 October 2019 as a pre-forum event.

UCLG ASPAC, in cooperation with UNESCAP, has initiated the Asia-Pacific Local Government Coordinating Body (APLG) and serves as its Secretariat. APLG facilitates the representation of local government in regional platforms. Members of APLG include C40, Citynet, Commonwealth Local Government Forum, ICLEI Local Governments for Sustainability (Asia and Southeast Asia), Metropolis, UCLG ASPAC, UCLG MEWA, and UCLG Eurasia.

The APLG organised the Local Government Assembly at the Asia-Pacific Urban Forum on 14 October 2019 as a pre-forum event. The event demonstrated commitment of local governments to the sustainable development agenda and called for enabling environment, as stated by Penang Mayor Dato' Ar. Yew Tung Seang when he delivered the Local Government Voluntary Commitment.

OUR VOICE IN WORLD ASSEMBLY OF LOCAL AND REGIONAL GOVERNMENTS



UCLG EURASIA-ASPAC ASSEMBLY TRACK

Mayor Tri Rismaharini of Surabaya, President of UCLG ASPAC, discussed the challenges faced by Asia-Pacific Regional office in implementing the Manifesto and Strategic Plan 2015-2020 as well as proposals for collaboration in the World Assembly of Local and Regional Governments during UCLG World Congress from 11 to 15 November 2019 in Durban, South Africa.

Summary of five priority areas of UCLG ASPAC Strategic Plan

1. Promote good governance and effective democratic governments.
2. Improve quality of life of people through universal provision of basic services.
3. Build resilient cities and local governments.
4. Sustainable green economy.
5. Put global/regional agendas and national commitment into effective local implementation.

Some challenges were also shared including lack of unpaid membership fees from inactive members, low participation of members due to lack of resources, and lack of women leader representation.



Key Recommendations resulting from UCLG Eurasia - Pacific Assembly Track:

1. Accelerate Localisation of SDGs, particularly in the field of education, health, and housing.
2. Strong commitment to tackle climate change and promote climate resilience in our cities and communities, especially in achieving target E of the Sendai Framework for Disaster Risk Reduction (DRR).
3. Encourage young people and women to involve themselves more on local economic development.
4. Strategise more on waste water systems that are efficient and low-cost to improve the well-being of the poorest citizens.
5. Prioritise sustainable transportation and connect to public space, taking into account environmental resilience and cultural heritage.
6. National support is very important and city-to-city cooperation allows cities to work closely with peers that share the same challenges.

“I am proud to be elected as treasurer and look forward to contributing more at the global level.”

*Mayor Madelaine Alfelor of Iriga
Treasurer, UCLG World*

UCLG ASPAC IN NUMBERS DURING UCLG WORLD CONGRESS

150

Participants from
Asia-Pacific

12

Mayors,
Vice Governors

2

Vice - Governors

**ELECTED
COUNCILLORS**

from China, India,
Indonesia,
Malaysia, Nepal, New
Zealand, Philippines,
South Korea

ASIA-PACIFIC INSIGHTS: UCLG ASPAC COLLABORATION WITH CITIES UNIES FRANCE (CUF)



- Mayor Tri Rismaharini of Surabaya (Indonesia), President of UCLG ASPAC, shared her city's experiences on post-disaster relief and humanitarian fund-raising mechanism.
- Mayor Madelaine Alfelof of Iriga City (Philippines), explained her city's community engagement on early warning to prevent and reduce the potential risks and loss.

Results:

- Asia-Pacific involvement in UCLG World Presidency
 - a. Mayor Lee Mingyuan of Xi'an (China) elected as UCLG Co-President
 - b. Mayor Madelaine Yorobe Alfelof of Iriga City (Philippines) elected as UCLG Treasurer
- UCLG World Congress 2022 to be conducted in Daejeon, South Korea
- The Durban Political Declaration
- Received Certificate of Climate Resilience and Inclusive Cities from European Union (EU) at "Launch of the European Commission City Partnership"
- Mayor of Surabaya was appointed as the Vice President of UCLG



Delegates from Asia and the Pacific in a group picture with Mayor of Xi'an, a newly elected Co-President of UCLG representing the region.

UCLG PRESIDENCY 2019-2022



From left: Mayor of Lisbon, Mayor of Kitchener, Mayor of Utrecht, Mayor of Konya, Mayor of Al Hoceima, Mayor of Polokwane, Mayor of San Jose, Mayor of Xi'an, Mayor of Iriga, and Mayor of Barcelona.

UCLG President

Mohamed Boudra

Mayor of Al Hoceima
President of the Moroccan
Association of Presidents of
Communal Councils-AMPCC
(Morocco)

Chairperson and Special Envoys

Ilsur Metshin

Mayor of Kazan
the Chairperson of
the United Nations Advisory
Committee for Local Authorities
(UNACLA)

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Special Envoy to the United Nations and
for the 2030 Sustainable
Agenda

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Mayor of
Ouagadougou (Burkina Faso)
(Vice-President for Africa)

Tri Rismaharini

Mayor of Surabaya (Indonesia) and
President of UCLG ASPAC
(Vice-President for Asia Pacific)

Aysen Nikolaev

Head of the Republic of
Sakha (Russian Federation) and
Vice President of UCLG Euro Asia
(Vice-President for Euro Asia)

Carlos Martínez Mínguez

Mayor of Soria (Spain) and
Vice President of CEMR
(Vice-President for Europe)

Mohamed Saadieh

President of the Union of
Dannieh Municipalities (Lebanon) and
President of UCLG-MEWA
(Vice-President for Middle East and
West Asia)

Christian di Candia

Mayor of Montevideo (Uruguay)
(Vice-President for Latin America)

Bill Karsten

Councillor of
Halifax Regional Municipality (Canada)
and President of FCM
(Vice-President for North America)

Michael Müller

Mayor of Berlin (Germany)
and President of Metropolis
(Vice-President for Metropolis)

Pablo Jurado Moreno

President of the Consortium of
Provincial Autonomous Govern-
ments from Ecuador (CONGOPE)
(Vice-President for the Forum of
Regions)



Mayor Heo Tae-Jeong of Daejeon (fifth from left) celebrating the result of selection of his City as the next Host of UCLG Congress in 2022.

OUR VOICE AT GLOBAL PLATFORM FOR DISASTER RISK REDUCTION 2019



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GENEVA, SWITZERLAND

13 – 17 MAY 2019



The Global Platform (GP) for Disaster Risk Reduction is a biennial multi-stakeholder forum established by the United Nations (UN) General Assembly to review progress, share knowledge, and discuss the latest developments and trends in reducing disaster risk. In 2019, it entered its sixth session which took place in Geneva, Switzerland, from 13 to 17 May 2019. GP2019 convened and organised by the UN Office for Disaster Risk Reduction (UNDRR) and hosted by the Government of Switzerland. UCLG ASPAC, in collaboration with its global partners, brought regional perspectives to the global discussions on city resilience against disaster by presenting the initiatives of Asia-Pacific cities in mitigating disaster risk to the international community.

UCLG ASPAC – UCLG – UN-HABITAT – UNDRR COLLABORATION AND CITIES PRESENTATION ON BEST PRACTICES

13 – 17 MAY 2019



SENDAI (Japan)

Reinforcing the importance of local governments' role in all stages of disaster and emergency management to enable a continuum between emergency relief and sustainable development.



CHRISTCHURCH (New Zealand)

City resilient programme and its strategy could help in the assessment and planning stage of reducing city's vulnerability and suggested to foster development of resilient territories starting from a crisis.

UCLG ASPAC – UCLG LEARNING – UCLG TASK FORCE FOR TERRITORIAL PREVENTION AND MANAGEMENT OF CRISES – CITY OF GENEVA, UN - HABITAT, UNDRR

15 NOVEMBER 2019

Highlight of Discussion: “Cities Face Crises, a Global Approach for Resilient Cities”

- Cultivating ways on how cities could localise the Sendai Framework and be better prepared in facing crises.



Recommendations:

- Review periodically the progress made by local and regional governments concerning the achievement of the Sendai Framework for Disaster Risk Reduction 2015-2030.
- Promote multi-level cooperation between local, regional, and national governments the international community and other stakeholders in the achievement of the Sendai Framework.
- Foster exchange, decentralised cooperation and solidarity among local and regional governments through networks such as UCLG and partners.
- UCLG, as network of local and regional governments, is committed to support the localisation of the Sendai Framework in multiple ways, from fostering learning and decentralised cooperation to the continuing engagement in the Making Cities Resilient campaign.
- Place priority on resilience in our response to crisis. Aim to bring back Resilience.

“Important actions need to be done...
Resilience is complementary to sustainability.”

Dr. Bernadía Iravati Tjandradewi
Secretary General, UCLG ASPAC

“There is a need to ensure that all development investments are risk-informed if the world is to achieve the Sustainable Development Goals by 2030.”

One of issues voiced by participants of the Global Platform 2019



Pictures 1-3: UCLG ASPAC with participants in the Global Platform for Disaster Risk Reduction 2019.



PROJECTS and COMMITTEES

UCLG ASPAC, in collaboration with the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation, advocated the importance of better sanitation development and improved the capacity of local governments in Nepal and Bangladesh. Throughout 2019, the programme implemented various activities with support from relevant stakeholders.



ENDORSEMENT FROM THE PRIME MINISTER OF NEPAL

Nepal's Prime Minister, K. P. Sharma Oli, on 13 March 2019 (Thursday), expressed his support to the current UCLG ASPAC work on faecal sludge management by signing the plaque in a public event in Nepal marking the 26th Establishment Day of UCLG ASPAC's implementing partner Municipal Association of Nepal (MuAN) under the project "Municipalities Network Advocacy in Sanitation in South Asia."

"We are committed to work on faecal sludge management, what about you?"

*Pledge jointly signed by
Nepal's Prime Minister, K. P. Sharma Oli,
and MuAN's President and Dhulikhel Mayor,
Ashok Kumar Byanju Shrestha,
Co-President representing South and West Asia Sub-Region of
UCLG ASPAC.*

"The visit with focus on faecal sludge management and sanitation was very useful. The places we visited not only showed us practically the strengths and opportunities but also challenges and threats."

*Mr. Lal Kisbor Sab – Mayor of Janakpurdham
Sub-Metropolitan City (Dhanusha) and Deputy General
Secretary of Municipal Association of Nepal (MuAN).*

OUR WORK: THE “MUNICIPALITIES NETWORK ADVOCACY ON SANITATION IN SOUTH ASIA” PROGRAMME



ENDORSEMENT FROM NEPAL'S MINISTER OF WATER SUPPLY

Nepal's Minister for Water Supply, Bina Magar, signed a pledge to work on faecal sludge management (FSM) during WASH (Water, Sanitation and Hygiene) Mela 2019 held in Kathmandu, Nepal on 8-9 June 2019 marking the World Environment Day, 20th National Sanitation Week, and the local festival of Sithi Nakha which signifies the start of the monsoon by cleaning water resources in Nepal.



“This was a huge learning for Lahan Municipality. I felt that I need to bring into practice everything I have learnt.”

*Mr. Muni SabSudi
Mayor of Lahan Municipality (Siraha)
[One of pilot cities in Nepal].*

“UCLG ASPAC is lighting the fire from top to bottom to address sanitation issues in Bangladesh and MAB is helping the vision to come out into action plan.”

*Md Abdul Baten - Mayor of Bera Municipality (Bangladesh)
and President of Municipal Association of Bangladesh (MAB)*

“Thank you UCLG ASPAC. There is a popular slogan in Nepal used by many in waste management which means “Waste is Wealth.” After the visit, I got to see how that slogan can come into action...I was more concerned about how the odour of the solid waste was managed so well despite dealing with waste.”

Ms. Kabita Dhungana – Deputy Mayor of Belkotgadhi Municipality (Nuwakot) and Vice President of Municipal Association of Nepal (MuAN).

EXPOSURE VISIT LEARNINGS BY NEPAL MAYORS



UCLG ASPAC, under the “Municipalities Network Policy Advocacy on Sanitation in South Asia” project, conducted a learning visit on sanitation and faecal sludge management for Nepali local government representatives (comprising 10 Mayors and Deputy Mayors) to Kuala Lumpur (Malaysia) and Jakarta (Indonesia) from 4 to 10 August 2019. The Nepali delegation (which included the Mayors of all five municipalities where the project is being implemented) held interactions about their work with officials and made site visits of sanitation land fields, water treatment and faecal sludge treatment plants to DBKL (Kuala Lumpur City Hall), Indah Water Konsortium (IWK) in Malaysia and Jakarta Government and its owned company, PAL Jaya, and Bekasi City in Indonesia.

OUR WORK: INTERNATIONAL URBAN COOPERATION (IUC) ASIA PROGRAMME



THE CLIMATE CHANGE ADAPTATION TRAINING

ISKANDAR, 19-20 MARCH 2019



- Equipped the representatives from 16 cities in Malaysia with the knowledge to develop and implement adaptation actions to climate change.
- Organised in conjunction with the launch of the Global Covenant of Mayors for Climate and Energy (GCoM) initiative in Malaysia and the signing of GCoM's letter of commitment by the City Hall of Kuala Lumpur and Perbadanan Putrajaya.



CLIMATE MITIGATION AND ADAPTATION TOWARDS CITY RESILIENCE KNOWLEDGE MANAGEMENT FORUM

TANGERANG, 16-17 SEPTEMBER 2019



- The cities of of Tangerang, Makassar, Denpasar, Malang, Palembang, and Depok signed their commitment to participate in the climate mitigation and adaptation efforts.
- The event brought together 50 participants from the Climate Change Working Group, Ministry of Environment and Forestry of Indonesia, private sector, and academia.
- Makassar, Denpasar, Malang, Palembang, and Depok started their work as pilot cities.



FIRST REGIONAL NETWORKING EVENT AT THE ASIA-PACIFIC FORUM ON SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT

BANGKOK, 27 MARCH 2019

- Discussion focused on the “Inclusive Climate Action for Sustainable Cities.”
- Promoted on-the-ground cases in the growing field of inclusive climate action by C40 Cities, Iskandar Regional Development Authority (Malaysia), Banda Aceh (Indonesia), Naga City (Philippines), and Seberang Perai (Malaysia).



CLIMATE FINANCING TRAINING IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE 7TH ASIA-PACIFIC URBAN FORUM (APUF)

SEBERANG PERAI AND PENANG
14-15 OCTOBER 2019



- Promoted the best practices on city financing in Asia, and creation of revenue stream from climate action, cycle of investment, private sector involvement, and green technology financing scheme.
- Equipped participants with skills and knowledge to develop a city climate action plan financing proposal.

“The European Union (EU) is proud to empower Indonesian cities to build their own climate planning and policies and to learn from one another globally.”

*Mr. Charles-Michel Geurts, Deputy Head of the EU
Delegation in Indonesia*



UCLG ASPAC has established cooperation with the European Union (EU) to support local governments in materialising urban resilience, through the International Urban Cooperation (IUC) Asia programme. Playing its role as South Asia Secretariat of the Global Covenant of Mayors for Climate and Energy (GCoM), UCLG ASPAC has shown its commitment throughout 2019 in assisting cities to improve their resilience, such as by encouraging more cities to join GCoM, linking cities with relevant experts, and conducting capacity building activities.



CAPACITY BUILDING ON GREEN HOUSE GAS (GHG) INVENTORY BASED ON NATIONAL GHG INVENTORY FRAMEWORK

PALEMBANG, 12-14 NOVEMBER 2019



- Connected cities and facilitated discussions with technical partner - Centre for Climate Risk and Opportunity Management in Southeast Asia and Pacific (CCROM-SEAP).
- Attended by 25 city officials from: City Planning Division, Environment, Industry, Agriculture and Fishery Agencies as well as State-Owned Enterprises (Pupuk Sriwijaya fertiliser and PLN electricity).
- RESULTS: Participants were able to identify the required data to build a GHG Inventory and were well-informed on methods of data collection.
- FOLLOW-UP: IUC Programme will further assist city officials to conduct in-depth consultation with technical advisor of CCROM to build city's GHG Inventory.



CAPACITY BUILDING ON VULNERABILITY AND CLIMATE RISK ANALYSIS

PALEMBANG, 5 DECEMBER 2019



- Enhanced the knowledge of participants on climate risks and vulnerabilities with a focus on identification of supporting data and information to city officials of Palembang, one of pilot cities.
- Promoted the use of the Vulnerability Index Data and Information System (SIDIK), a data information system developed by the Indonesian Ministry of Environment and Forestry that provides data on vulnerability assessment based on exposure to climate-related risks.
- Attended by 20 participants from Environmental Agency, Planning Agency, Meteorological, Climatology and Geophysical Agency (BMKG) of South Sumatra, Agriculture Agency of Palembang, Food Security, Public Works, and Bureau of Statistics.



GCOM OPEN HOUSE AND IUC CITY-TO-CITY

BRUSSELS, 19-22 NOVEMBER 2019

- IUC Asia/GCoM Southeast Asia Team joined GCoM Secretariat of other regions and partners to once again promote GCoM initiative and ensure common perspective for stronger collaborations.
- Discussions included knowledge sharing, raising the challenges and opportunities in every area of works, as well as introduction of the GCoM Regions portal to track progress, share information, and collaborate between regions.

“Knowledge Management Forum will build the capacity of city officials in dealing with climate change by developing measurable and effective actions.”

Mr. Sachrudin, Vice Mayor of Tangerang



OUR WORK: FROM DISASTER MANAGEMENT TO BUILDING SOCIAL CAPITAL



Palu residents shared their experiences with UCLG ASPAC Secretary General Bernadia Irawati Tjandradewi and Vice President Fanny Salle of Department of Loire-Atlantique.

UCLG ASPAC acknowledges that to achieve sustainable urban life, cities need to continuously develop its capacity to face and manage disaster risks. At the same time, building social capital of local communities is also essential in ensuring the success of city's resilience programme and other related sustainable development programmes.

Throughout 2019, UCLG ASPAC collaborated with various institutions to connect cities with relevant networks and support the city efforts on for disaster management.

DISASTER MANAGEMENT – RESPONSE

18-21 JUNE 2019



UCLG ASPAC President, Mayor Tri Rismaharini led the discussion with Mayor Hidayat of Palu on how to mobilise the resources collected with the support from CUF for Palu recovery efforts. UCLG ASPAC Secretary General Bernadia Irawati Tjandradewi and Vice President Fanny Salle of Department of Loire-Atlantique joined the discussion.

UCLG ASPAC collaborated with Cites Unies France (CUF/French united local governments) for fund collection to support the local government of Palu in their recovery from earthquake (on 28 September 2018 with magnitude of 7.4), tsunami and liquefaction disasters that simultaneously occurred in September 2018. The city is the most affected area in the province causing widespread destruction and loss of life (more than 4,000 people).

Through the visit conducted from 18 to 21 June 2019, discussion is now progressing to identify the best support to meet the needs of local people in the city.

UCLG ASPAC will provide technical support and capacity building activity focusing on resilience and effectiveness of early warning system by 2020.

PUBLIC SPACE AND CAPACITY DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME BUILDING SOCIAL CAPITAL OF LOCAL COMMUNITY

KLENDER INTEGRATED PUBLIC SPACE (JAKARTA, INDONESIA)



Situated under the flyover of Klender, in the middle of crowded neighbourhood and slum area, UCLG ASPAC recognised the area's potential to strengthen social cohesion and community resilience, by transforming a space into public space with the involvement of local community. Discussion is being conducted to see potential collaborations to execute the project with support of UN-Habitat.

RE-ACTIVATING PUBLIC SPACE IN SUNGAI JURU (SEBERANG PERAI, MALAYSIA)



In 2019, the public space revitalisation project in Seberang Perai has been completed. Adopting UCLG ASPAC's collaborative approach, stakeholders were invited to discuss how to transform the existing space into a recreational park. The "Bring People Back to Nature" theme was selected to ensure that the facility development aligns with the city's vision to become a low carbon city. An inaugural ceremony was made during the Asia-Pacific Urban Forum in October 2019 with the presence of Dato' Maimunah, Executive Director of UN-Habitat.

JEJU-SURAKARTA JOINT ART PROJECT FOR PUBLIC SPACE (SURAKARTA, INDONESIA)



A joint art project for public space was launched in Surakarta on 17 December 2019. The project is a collaboration between local artists from Jeju and Surakarta and is expected to make the children's playing experience more meaningful. A symbol of long-term friendship, the joint art project marks the beginning of more collaborations between the two cities.



MoU signing between Jeju's Director General of Culture, Sport and International Relations Mr. Cho Sang Bum of and UCLG ASPAC Secretary General Dr. Bernadia Irawati Tjandradewi.

COLLABORATION FOR CAPACITY BUILDING ENHANCEMENT

On 18 February 2019, Secretary General Bernadia Irawati Tjandradewi and Mayor Nor Hisham Bin A Dahlan of Kuala Lumpur signed a Letter of Intent to rebrand and revitalise Kuala Lumpur Regional Training Centre. This collaboration aims at facilitating cities and local governments capacity enhancement to address a multitude of opportunities and challenges brought about by the global megatrends.



OUR WORK: LEADERSHIP OWNERSHIP AND CAPABILITIES FOR AGENDA 2030 LOCAL IMPLEMENTATION AND STAKEHOLDER EMPOWERMENT (LOCALISE SDGS)

LOCALISE SDGs is a three-year joint programme of UCLG ASPAC and the Association of Indonesia Municipalities (APEKSI), with support from the European Union (EU), to assist local governments in Indonesia in localising the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs). The programme was launched in 2018 with the conduct of local and national training and advocacy programmes.

Year 2019 recorded the continuous efforts through National and Local Training activities in cooperation with various strategic partners, such as SDGs Centres, private companies, and civil society groups.



#2 NATIONAL TRAINING
JAKARTA, 24-25 JULY 2019



60 PARTICIPANTS
(representatives from provinces, cities, regencies, and institutions)



Local government officials participated in policy coherence exercise, I-SDGs simulation, activities on multi-stakeholder partnerships and best practice writing simulation activity, and discussions on green funding and alternative funding for SDGs implementation.



LOCAL TRAININGS 2019
PAPUA, 8 AUGUST 2019



The training equipped participants with the skills on integrated assessment and SDGs success story writing. The exercises encouraged participants to learn and analyse the connectivity of SDGs using thematic visual tools and the SDGs Memory Card (produced by UCLG ASPAC and UCLG). In addition, the writing practice allowed participants to learn and understand the key elements of success and failure of every programme, replication identification, and opportunity for cooperation.



NORTH MALUKU

28 AUGUST 2019

Mr. Samsuddin A. Kadir, Governor of North Maluku, attended the local training in Ternate (Maluku) and shared the importance of multi-stakeholder partnership for development in North Maluku. The International Association for Public Participation supported this event by introducing tools/instruments to analyse the role of various parties for smooth implementation of multi-stakeholder partnership.



LAMPUNG

10 SEPTEMBER 2019

Issues on stunting, women empowerment, and bureaucratic reform dominated the discussion, with rich insights contributed by experts from SDGs Centre of University of Lampung (inaugurated in early 2019).



WEST JAVA

19 SEPTEMBER 2019

In collaboration with Padjajaran University's SDGs Centre, experts from the SDGs Centre shared insights on exposure to SDGs-related research that has been done, such as SDGs indicators baseline and inequality analysis in the SDGs implementation area, complementing the sharing of West Java Province's Agency for Regional Development (BAPPEDA).



SOUTH SULAWESI

20 SEPTEMBER 2019

The training brought together development partners from Germany, GIZ and Sarana Multi Infrastruktur (SMI) corporation. Participants were invited to deepen their understanding of multi-stakeholder partnerships, while SMI corporation—a state-owned enterprise under the supervision of the Ministry of Finance, shared alternative financing information to accelerate infrastructure development in the region.



WEST KALIMANTAN

24 SEPTEMBER 2019

The forest and land fires in West Kalimantan was at the centre of the discussion in the event that gathered government, private sector, and community organisations. Sinar Mas Corporation (private sector) shared that they had a more concrete land forest fires prevention activities and created the Fire Alert Community group. Kalimantan's Tropical Forest Conservation Act (TFCA), an environment organisation, shared an overview of conservation efforts in the management of forest and land fires.



OUR WORK: LOCAL EMPOWERMENT, ADVOCACY, AND DEVELOPMENT (LEAD) FOR LOCALISATION OF SDGs IN PAKISTAN

In 2019, UCLG ASPAC initiated the four-year LEAD for SDGs Localisation Programme in Pakistan, co-funded by the EU and co-implemented by its members, Association for Development of Local Governance (ADLG) and Local Councils Associations (LCAs) in the provinces of Balochistan and Sindh. The programme has made progress through various activities after the completion of its inception phase.



PROJECT COVERAGE

- 2 Provincial Governments – Balochistan and Sindh
- 61 District Governments and Municipal Corporations across Balochistan and Sindh Provinces
- LCAs of Balochistan and Sindh, ADLG at federal level
- 4 Districts of Balochistan and Sindh for Pilot Innovative Actions
- Population of Balochistan: approx.12,344,408, Sindh: 47,886,051 (source: www.pbs.gov.pk, 2017)



UCLG ASPAC and Pakistan National Assembly's SDGs Secretariat signed an MoU

18 March 2019

UCLG ASPAC signed an MoU with the National Parliamentary Taskforce on SDGs, the highest oversight Forum on the implementation of SDGs in the country. The aim of MoU is to strengthen cooperation on the localisation of SDGs and to contribute to the SDGs achievement for promoting socio and economic conditions of the people of Pakistan. The areas of cooperation include research, technical assistance and other joint activities in developing inclusive environment for localisation of SDGs.

National Stakeholders Consultative Workshop on Localisation of SDGs in Pakistan

07 July 2019

The workshop provided an opportunity for the stakeholders to assess the relevance and design of LEAD for SDGs programme, identify synergies, avoid overlaps, and amplify the ongoing SDGs work through effective coordination and communication in support of the governments.

The workshop resulted in a resolve to:

- Establish a well-structured coordination mechanism between the three tiers of governments (federal, provincial, districts), and
- Focus on immediate priorities to ensure better use of available resources to achieve SDGs.

The workshop was attended by over 32 participants including the Parliamentary Secretaries for Planning, Development & Reforms, Trade, SDGs Unit, Local Governments, CSOs and Media representatives.

Provincial Stakeholders Consultative Workshop on Localisation of SDGs in Balochistan

16 July 2019

The provincial workshop brought all the stakeholders on a table to discuss the local context and challenges related to SDGs localisation in Balochistan Province. Stakeholders including parliamentarians, national and international development organisations, media, youth, bar association, academia, officials of Balochistan government and UN agencies contributed to the workshop.

The workshop participants agreed on:

- The provision of Provincial Finance Commission to distribute resources fairly,
- Allocations of funds in accordance to responsibilities, and
- Human development as the fundamental right of every citizen must be protected.

2019 at Glance

JANUARY	MARCH	APRIL-JUNE
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Agreement signed between UCLG ASPAC and the EU Delegation in Pakistan 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Implementation phase initiated • MoU signed with the Pakistan National Parliamentary Taskforce on SDGs • Recruitment of Team Leader 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Office in Islamabad established • Team recruited • 30 individual meetings held with highest level stakeholders related to SDGs
JULY	AUGUST	SEPTEMBER
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2 Stakeholder Consultation Workshops in Islamabad and Balochistan Province attended by 57 stakeholders 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1 Stakeholder workshop at Sindh Province attended by 42 stakeholders • 3 partnership agreements signed with ADLG, LCAB and LCAS 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Partners' workshop to discuss the learning outcomes of the inception phase and partnership
	OCTOBER-DECEMBER	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Finalisation of Inception Phase documentation • Partners' workshop for Corporate Governance 	

Provincial Stakeholders Consultative Workshop on Localisation of SDGs in Sindh

22 August 2019

The provincial workshop encouraged stakeholders to step in the right direction of social development by ensuring strengthened and empowered local governance system in the Country. It is also witnessed that elected local governments system currently only exists in the Province of Sindh (which is also completing its tenure by August 2020).

The workshop resolved to work on the:

- Policy alignment and legislations around SDGs,
- The new local government act to ensure an empowered and resourced local government system in the Sindh Province,
- Inclusion of women in the policy making role both at provincial and local government systems in addition to the quota of 33 per cent reserved seats,
- Parliamentary taskforce to actively supervise the localisation process in the Province, and
- Empowered, authoritative and resourced local government will be made and assured by provincial assembly resolution.

Inception Phase Partners Workshop

16-17 September 2019

The workshop aims to reflect on the feedback received from the stakeholders' engagement and consultations, take decisions on the required change in the programme designs and programme progress update.



A Dozen Recommendations by Local and Regional Governments for Localisation of SDGs in Pakistan:

- Localisation of SDGs is not possible without a **strong and empowered local governance system** in Pakistan. Local governments need to be further empowered administratively and financially.
- **Changes to the existing laws and policies** are a must to localise and implement SDGs. For instance, in Balochistan, 40 per cent of public responsibilities are with the local government, but they just receive 6 per cent of the budget.
- Constitution and function of the **Provincial Finance Commission** should be ensured for equitable and just distribution of resources amongst districts to achieve SDGs.
- **SDGs awareness** in Pakistan is a must to realise the global agenda at the local level.
- It is necessary to **strengthen the capacities** of the local government to develop district plans, actions, and revenue collections for the implementation of SDGs.
- SDGs believe in progress for all and leaving no one behind, hence local development should be **people-centric, inclusive, and participatory**.
- **Advocacy, lobbying,** and engagement of media is vital to raise voices of the communities through various mediums.
- **Local ownership** of the national and provincial framework by the local councils and communities is key in the adoption of global agenda.
- There is a dire need for **strong coordination** among government tiers, departments and private sector to ensure the role of each institution is realised and well placed to achieve SDGs.
- The local governments in Balochistan and Sindh Provinces must create avenues of **innovative financing** and encourage public-private partnership to implement SDGs.
- There must be opportunities of **lesson learnings** and best practices sharing among districts.
- Use of **local languages and terminologies** is necessary as most of the communities and local governments does not understand the technicality of development language well.

OUR WORK: UCLG ASPAC COMMITTEES

CULTURE COMMITTEE



The Jeju Special Self-Governing Province, leading city of UCLG ASPAC Culture Committee, in collaboration with UNITAR CIFAL Jeju, organised a learning initiative focused on the mainstreaming of culture for sustainable city development through the workshop “Culture and Tourism: Creating Culture and Tourism Synergies for Achieving SDGs” from 10 to 13 June 2019. Gathering 14 city representatives in the field of culture and tourism in the Asia-Pacific Region, Ms. Catherine Cullen (Special advisor for UCLG Culture Committee), Ms. Eunjoo Chae (Culture Policy Division, Jeju Special Self-Governing Province), Mr. Jongeop Kim (Vice President, Korea Culture Information Service Agency), Ms. Sun Mi Seo (CEO, PlayPlanet), and Prof. Jongryn Mo (Yonsei University) shared their knowledge on the role of culture and tourism, significance of cultural information management, local culture based tourism and economic impact and the role of local creators for invigorating culture tourism. The workshop also gave participants the opportunity to identify strengths and weaknesses of their city’s cultural and tourism industry, and to propose solutions.



WOMEN COMMITTEE



The city of Guangzhou, leading city of Women in Local Governments Standing Committee (SCWLG), incorporated the discussions on women in the Third Workshop for Thought Leaders, taking the theme “Urban Regeneration: The Way to Vibrant Cities,” from 2 to 6 December 2019. Guangzhou acknowledges regeneration as initiative of city in responding to urban challenges. Women and children health are also part of the focus. Guangzhou acknowledges that women’s health matters not only to women themselves, but also for the children who are the next generation. In relation to this, Guangzhou Women and Children Medical Centre is now conducting a research to develop integrated children development care by looking closely into development of children from pregnancy until 18 years old.

Under the framework of the Standing Committee of Women in Local Governments, UCLG ASPAC has also signed MoU with UN-Habitat and Penang Women’s Development Centre for gender mainstreaming cooperation framework in Malaysia across all levels of government.



SOUTH AND SOUTHWEST COMMITTEE



South and Southwest Standing Committee Meeting was organised during the South Asia Conference from 10 to 11 June 2019. In the meeting, action plan and position paper “SAARC Cooperation to Local Governments in the South Asia Region” were presented and discussed. UCLG ASPAC Secretary General Dr. Bernadia Irawati Tjandradewi also invited participants to take part in the Women Leadership Training and South Asia Mayors Forum, both to be organised in 2020 in India. Together with the announcement, she encouraged participating members to propose sub-regional events to enhance collaboration.

BELT AND ROAD LOCAL COOPERATION COMMITTEE



UCLG ASPAC Belt and Road Local Cooperation (BRLC) Committee, led by the city of Hangzhou, strengthened their network and opened up collaborations through various activities in 2019. The 2050 Conference Observation was held from 26 to 29 April 2019, taking the theme “City, Technology, and Me,” with the discussion enriched by 80 young hi-tech representatives from 26 countries. There was also Thematic Exchange on Innovation and Entrepreneurship organised on 14 June 2019 with the establishment of Hangzhou International Entrepreneurs Club, joined by over 50 entrepreneurial talents from 27 countries. BRLC also held the Council Meeting in Hangzhou on 4 September 2019 that

reviewed and approved the supplementation of leadership and members. In addition, BRLC hosted the second BRLC e-Commerce Training, held from 29 to 31 October 2019, in collaboration with UCLG ASPAC Secretariat and Alibaba Business School, that brought together 40 participants from 8 countries.

THE 21ST CENTURY MARITIME COOPERATION COMMITTEE



Throughout 2019, Fuzhou, leading city of UCLG ASPAC 21st Century Maritime Cooperation Committee, explored all opportunities for the cooperation in the area through various workshops and capacity building activities. The Marine Economy and Urban Development – Coastal and Port Cooperation Forum, conducted on 18 May 2019, managed to bring together 150 participants from 16 countries, including port and shipping enterprises and experts in the marine field to exchange views on the construction of smart and green ports and development of marine economy, and build an international port ecosystem. The Committee also organised Marine Ecology Conservation and Management Workshop from 26 to 30 August 2019 attended by more than 10 local government officials and over 20 experts and scholars in related fields. The workshop improved the understanding on marine biodiversity and ecological protection, strengthened the awareness on sustainable development, and promoted cooperation in marine conservation. In addition, the Committee also held its regular meetings in conjunction with UCLG ASPAC Statutory Meeting in Yiwu (China) and Makati (Philippines).





VIETNAM SUSTAINABILITY FORUM
17-18 JANUARY 2019 - HANOI, VIETNAM



**FOSTERING ECONOMIC GROWTH AND
INCLUSIVE SOCIETY FOR SUSTAINABLE
DEVELOPMENT**

SUB REGIONS and NEW MEMBERS

PACIFIC

KiLGA in the Fifth Pacific Urban Forum Conference

The 5th Pacific Urban Forum (PUF) conference was attended by the Kiribati Local Government Association (KiLGA) and all other Pacific countries, including their Ministers and senior local government officials. The three-day conference was held at Tanoa Hotel in Nadi (Fiji) from 3 to 5 July 2019. It was opened by the Prime Minister of Fiji and closed by the Prime Minister of Tuvalu. The key outcome of the 5th PUF conference was a list of recommendations on how the New Urban Agenda will be implemented by Pacific countries to improve urbanisation issues, in light of Climate Change and other challenges.

EAST ASIA

Hamamatsu City Intercultural Centre One Stop Consultation Corner: Public Service for Foreign Residents

Hamamatsu established the Hamamatsu Intercultural Centre as a point for various consultations of foreign residents. With the movement of national government, the centre has strengthened its functions. On 5 July 2019, Hamamatsu reinvigorated the Intercultural Centre to strengthen the centre's ability to communicate in multiple languages. Currently, the Centre's consultants can provide services in eight languages (Japanese, Portuguese, English, Tagalog, Chinese, Vietnamese, Spanish, and Indonesian). They provide the consultations regarding daily life, and when necessary, mediate with a specialist, to become a point of support in the lives of the foreign residents.

SOUTH ASIA

Fire Prevention and Disaster Management

The All India Institute of Local Self-Government (AIILSG), in collaboration with the Centre for Environment and Disaster Management (CEDM) and National Fire Academy (NFA), organised a state level seminar on Fire Prevention and Life Safety Measures – Perspectives and its importance to Fire and Safety Management on 7 June 2019 at Vadodara. The purpose of the seminar was to create awareness amongst the fire fraternity regarding large scale fire incidents and related disasters occurring in various parts of the State. Participants and speakers alike deem that more seminars/workshops are required to gauge the improvements. Conducting more analytical studies, training of concerned officials, and upgrading existing technology are essential. Inclusion of the community is also being considered to create awareness and better appreciation of fire prevention and disaster management.

SOUTH EAST ASIA

Capacity Building for Better Economic Growth in Vietnam

From 17 to 18 January 2019, The Secretary General and staff of The Association of Cities in Viet Nam (ACVN) attended the Vietnam Sustainability Forum, Fostering Economic Growth and Inclusive Society for Sustainable Development in Hanoi. The forum aimed to provide an international exchange platform for global leaders and stakeholders (policy makers, academics, businesses, entrepreneurs, and NGOs) to present and discuss worldwide initiatives, practices and visionary trends about sustainability. The ultimate goal is to achieve the long-lasting development of an inclusive and equitable society whereby prosperous growth goes together with sustainable environment.

NEW MEMBERS



SIPING

Mayor : Guo Lingji

Total Population : approx. 3,386,325

Total Area : 14,323 km²

Website : http://www.ejilin.gov.cn/2018-04/03/content_26286956.htm

Siping City is located at the convergence of Jilin, Liaoning and Inner Mongolia. This city is characterised by dry and windy spring, wet and hot summer, moderate and cool autumn, as well as long and chilly winter. Historically, Siping is one of the places where the Manchu nationality originated. Agricultural products processing, electricity and thermal power, pharmaceutical and chemicals are the pillar industries in the city. Private economy is also a major contributor of the industrial sector.



KOREA RESEARCH INSTITUTE FOR LOCAL ADMINISTRATION (KRILA)

Established : 1984

President : Yun Tae-beom

Vice President : Kwon Oh-cheol

Website : <http://krila.re.kr/eng>

KRILA is the cornerstone of local autonomy and decentralisation in Korea. It carries out research projects that lead the local autonomous development such as on local autonomy and policy, revitalisation of local economy and development of future regions. KRILA also provides a long term viable vision for local autonomy and autonomous decentralisation and generous support for the major challenges of local administration.



JAYAPURA

Mayor : Benhur Tomi Mano

Total Population : approx. 315,872

Total Area : 935.92 km²

Website: jayapurakota.go.id

Jayapura is the capital and largest city of Papua Province (Indonesia). In Eastern Indonesia, Jayapura is the fourth largest city by economy, following Makassar, Denpasar, and Manado. Jayapura, with all the developments it has undertaken, has earned the title “City of Education” and has become a destination of people looking for livelihood and knowledge. Its potencies include growth in the area of tourism, as well as trade, and service activities.



BONTANG

Mayor : Neni Moerniaeni
Total Population : approx. 179,408
Total Area : 495.57 km²
Website : www.bontangkota.go.id

Bontang City is located in East Kalimantan Province (Indonesia). This city is well known as the home of the Bontang Football Team and three big corporations in the country managing natural gas, charcoal and fertiliser. Bontang City has focused on industry, services, and trade. This city has a very beautiful sea view complete with natural attractions. It also has Bontang City Carnival and Exhibition celebrated annually in conjunction with the city's anniversary which has long become tourist attraction.



JEMBER

Mayor : Faida
Total Population : approx. 2,430,185
Total Area : 3,375 km²
Website : <http://www.jemberkab.go.id/>

Jember City is located in East Java Province (Indonesia). It has a strategic location and possesses rich natural resources and local products (coffee, crafts, agricultural products). Among many of its beautiful destinations are the waterfall in Argopuro and various historical sites (Srino Sukowono, Seputih Mayang, Arjasa, etc.). Main livelihood in this city is in agriculture. Jember is also one of the major contributors of tobacco in the country.



GORONTALO

Governor : Rusli Habibie
Total Population : approx. 1,133,237
Total Area : 12,435 km²
Website : www.gorontaloprov.go.id

Gorontalo is a province of Indonesia on the island of Sulawesi. The provincial capital is Gorontalo City and it has become the main gateway and most populated city. The Province of Gorontalo is divided into five regencies and one city. Since ancient times, Gorontalo has become one of the busiest trade routes in Indonesia considering its strategic location, which contributes to the national economy. It has trade routes that has direct connection with neighbouring countries such as Philippines, Malaysia, Brunei, Hongkong, Japan, and South Korea. Currently, the economy in Gorontalo is becoming one of the fastest growing economies in Indonesia.



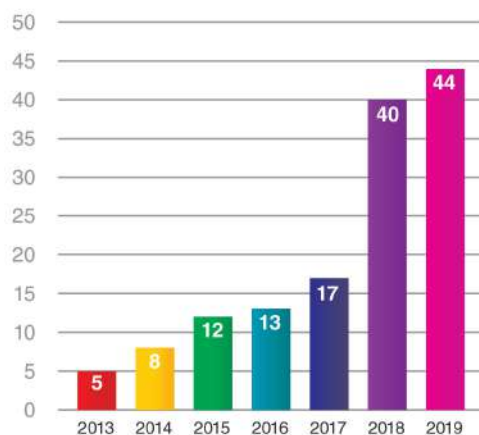
THE INSTITUTION

MEETING OUR STAFF



The Secretariat operates under the leadership of the UCLG ASPAC Secretary General. It is supported by a team of 44 (as of Dec. 2019) members, both core and project staffs who are responsible for a broad-range of UCLG ASPAC’s work and activities throughout the Asia-Pacific region. The Secretariat’s team has significantly expanded as a result of the dynamism of local governments and their significance in implementing the global development agendas, stronger demands for local-level international cooperation, as well as growing need for technical and knowledge support.

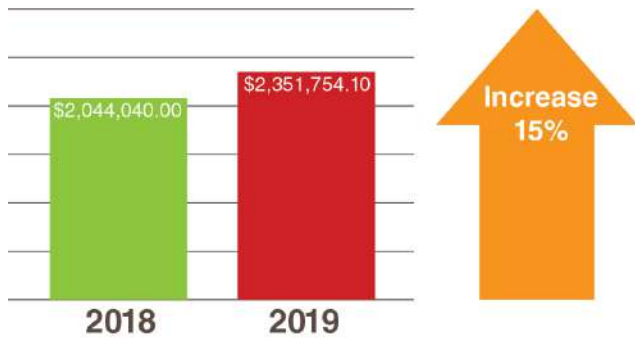
NUMBER OF UCLG ASPAC SECRETARIAT STAFF



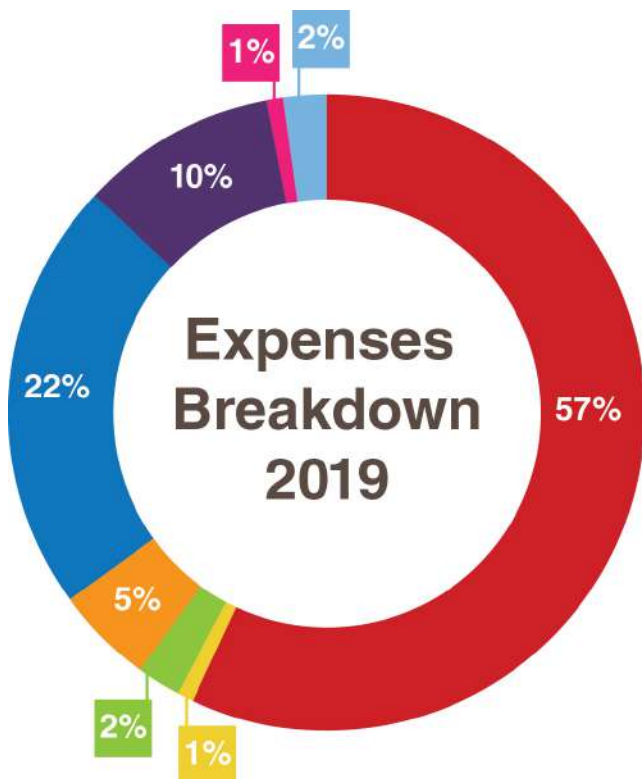
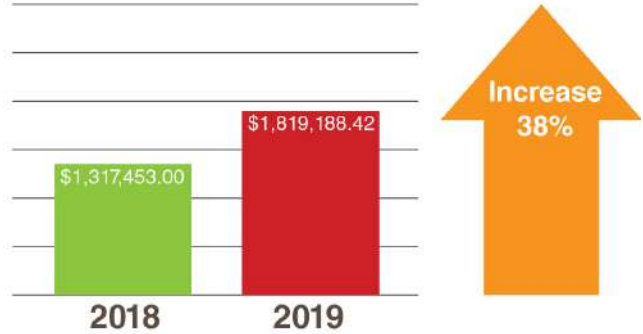
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FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

INCOME



EXPENSE



- Salary and Social Charges: \$237,916.64 (10%)
- Communication and Publication: \$17,459.95 (1%)
- Travel: \$58,688.02 (2%)
- Programmes: \$1,330,311.65 (57%)
- Fees: \$14,698.33 (1%)
- Overhead: \$49,501.40 (2%)
- World Portion: \$118,255.45 (5%)
- Nett Asset: \$524,922.66 (22%)

OTHER FACTORS THAT ALLOW UCLG ASPAC TO OPERATE AT REDUCED COSTS:



Host City (Jakarta) provides the office space for the UCLG ASPAC Secretariat, including electricity and water.



Organisations and local governments host and partially finance the Statutory Meetings and the programme activities.

MAIN CONTRIBUTORS TO PROGRAMMES



BILL & MELINDA GATES foundation



UN HABITAT FOR A BETTER URBAN FUTURE



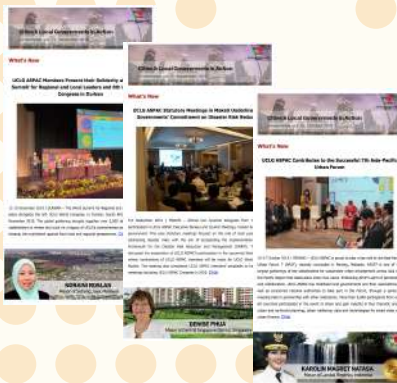
KNOWLEDGE DEVELOPMENT

Throughout 2019, UCLG ASPAC produced a broad range of knowledge products distributed to members and partners in various regional and global events.

Newsletter



eNewsletter



Advocacy



ASEAN Mayors Forum 2019 Proceeding



ASEAN Mayors Forum Report to ASEAN 2019



Hamamatsu Proceeding 2019



Video AMF



Website



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FACEBOOK (likes/news followers)



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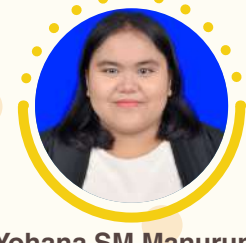
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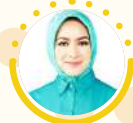
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CALENDAR OF ACTIVITIES 2020

FEBRUARY

8-13

The 10th Session of World Urban Forum (WUF): “Cities of Opportunities: Connecting Culture and Innovation”

Abu Dhabi | United Arab Emirates
Organised by: UCLG World, UN-Habitat

24-28

UCLG Retreat 2020

Tanger | Morocco
Organised by: UCLG World

MARCH

4-6

The 2nd Women Leadership Workshop and The 5th South Asian Cities Summit: “Enabling Linkages Between SDGs and City Development to Build Better Urban Future”

Goa | India
Organised by: AIILSG, UCLG ASPAC

25-27

The 7th Asia-Pacific Forum on Sustainable Development (APFSD)

Bangkok | Thailand
Organised by: UNESCAP

APRIL

22-24

2020 UCLG ASPAC First Session of Executive Bureau: “Building Sustainable and Resilient Communities, Town and Cities: Implementing the SDGs in a Complex and Uncertain World”

Wellington | New Zealand
Organised by: LGNZ, Wellington City, UCLG ASPAC

TBC

The Conference 2050

Hangzhou | China
Organised by: Hangzhou City, UCLG ASPAC

MAY

16-19

Marine Economy and Urban Development Forum

Fuzhou | China
Organised by: CPAFFC, Fuzhou City, UCLG ASPAC

TBC

UCLG World Executive Bureau Meeting

Rome | Italy
Organised by: UCLG World

JUNE

4-6

Global Fisheries Communication and Cooperation Forum

Fuzhou | China
Organised by: Fujian Province, Fuzhou City, Chinese Fisheries Association, UCLG ASPAC

23-26

Asia Pacific Ministerial Conference on DRR (APMC-DRR)

Brisbane | Australia
Organised by: UNDRR

JULY

5-9

World Cities Summit 2020 - Liveable and Sustainable Cities: Adopting to a Disrupted World

Singapore
Organised by: Centre for Liveable Cities, Urban Redevelopment Authority of Singapore

7-16

High-Level Political Forum (HLPF)

New York | USA
Organised by: UN ECOSOC

AUGUST

24-28

8th UCLG ASPAC Congress

Zhengzhou | China
Organised by: Zhengzhou City, UCLG ASPAC

30 August - 3 September

Workshop on Marine Ecological Conservation and Disaster Risk Reduction

Fuzhou | China
Organised by: Minjiang University, Fuzhou City, UCLG ASPAC, Metropolis

SEPTEMBER

15-22

High Level Political Forum (HLPF)

New York | USA
Organised by: UN ECOSOC

OCTOBER

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World Habitat Day 2020

Surabaya | Indonesia
Organised by: UN-Habitat, Surabaya City

26-30

Metropolis World Congress & UCLG World Council

Guangzhou | China
Organised by: Metropolis, UCLG World, Guangzhou City

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