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1. VNR- Voluntary National Reviews

regular and inclusive reviews of progress of 2030 Agenda implementation at the national and sub-national levels, which are country-led and country-driven“, every year at HLPF 40+ countries present their VNR

1. VLR- Voluntary Local Reviews

local and regional governments reports on their 2030 Agenda implementation. These VLRs can reinforce vertical coherence and complement and contribute to the national Voluntary National Reviews of SDG implementation.



Voluntary Metropolitan Review



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3. VMR- Voluntary Metropolitan Reviews

Metropolitan areas are defined as a population between 500 000 and 1.5 million people (OECD). The UNECE region has several such metropolitan areas which are agglomerations of different separate cities and towns which became integrated into a larger size urban areas.

These separate areas often retain some form of **autonomy making it challenging for the larger metropolitan agglomeration to coordinate** sustainable growth of its infrastructure, personal mobility, safeguarding food security, managing waste and social development such as education, health, security and housing rules and regulations



Voluntary Metropolitan Review



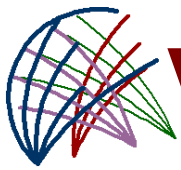
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3. UNECE SDG VMR side event

This side-event focuses on the implementation of **SDG 11 at a metropolitan scale which goes beyond the traditional VLR reporting and introduces instead a VMR (Voluntary Metropolitan Review).**

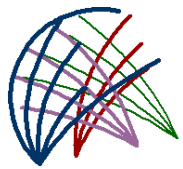
We will learn about VMRs implementations from colleagues of **Barcelona, Geneva and Strasbourg** and hear about their progress and challenges of implementing the SDGs.

Each of the three presenters will present their case for 10 minutes, then end with a question about their SDG implementation. The audience will have 5 minutes to write responses and comments in the chat and the respective presenter will respond to the comments during another 5 minutes



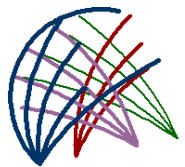
Your eventual responses to speakers's questions

1. The speakers' will end their presentation with a question asking for suggestions to their queries
- 2. You are invited to brain storm that is to think of ways the respective metropolitan city could further improve its SDG implementation**
3. This is not the moment to hand out score cards nor criticize but rather to provide constructive ideas
4. Please write your responses into the chat. I will read them and convey your messages to the speaker as much as I can in view of very limited time
- 5. Thanks in advance for your participation!**



Presenters

- 1. Mme Bàrbara Pons Giner, Commissioner for the 2030 Agenda & Mr Ramon Canal Oliveras, Director, Technical Cabinet, 2030 Agenda, City of Barcelona**
- 2. Mr. Panos Mantziaras, Director, Foundation Brailard Architects, Geneva**
- 3. Mr. Yves Zimmermann, Project Director, City and Eurométropole de Strasbourg**



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