

## **Information exchange:**

### **Norwegian Association of Local and Regional Authorities**

Challenge: funding challenges, There is money, but aid architecture is changing. Multilateral funds are not controlled by national institutions.

Opportunity: we're willing and have a lot of experience

Question: to find better and more forceful allies.

### **PLATFORMA**

Challenge: to improve outcomes and impact that demonstrate the need for local governments

Opportunity: make synergy happen

Question; how can we cooperate? Also in budget lines with civil societies.

### **SALGA**

Challenge: disrespect for local government autonomy.

Opportunity: new elections. High turnover, new politicians.

Question: how to manage the hand that feeds you - you must bite it from time to time.

### **CILG**

Challenge: gender in local governance. How can gender be integrated in local governments? We're facing people who don't like the idea.

Opportunity: many donors are ready to collaborate with us

Question: What are the tools or innovative approaches that can help us create awareness?

### **UCLG AFRICA/ALGA**

Challenge: political will at all level. Do we really want to empower human capital at the local level?

Opportunity: personal engagement

Question: How can UCLG academy be an effective member of CIB

### **Swedish delegation SALAR + SKL**

Challenge: we encounter that there is less interest of Swedish municipalities to engage in programs. We have much more money that we can use. Why? shame to fly (climate).

Opportunity: push for democracy at the national level. Good foreign policy agenda.

Question: How do associations interact with their members about development cooperation - newsletters?

### **Generalitat de Catalunya**

Challenge: coordination

Opportunity: SDGs - from effectiveness to policy coherence for development - all areas should be engaged

Question: How can we internally engage everyone?

### **Association des Municipalités du Mali**

Challenge: gender challenges. What are the means to include this? At local level, no means has been allocated.

Opportunity: at the local, national and regional level fora exist to discuss this.

Question: how do you develop gender leadership and include this in all levels of governance?

### **The Union of Towns and Municipalities of the Czech Republic (SMOCR)**

Challenge: decentralised development cooperation, increased allocation.

Opportunity: 2030 agenda to introduce more municipalities to international cooperation

Question: how to introduce the SDGs to our local governments?

### **The Hague Academy for Local Governments**

Challenge: in our trainings there is always a positive and good energy. How do you make sure this is sustainable?

Opportunity: we've got a large network, which is a great resource

Question: how can you mobilise the network. How can you learn from one another?

### **National League of Local Councils, Cambodia**

Challenge: lack of financial and human resources to provide training. Local governments do not have the budget.

Opportunity: willingness to change, after reforms

Question: how to engage with one another?

### **City of Vienna**

Challenge: speed development, transition and climate crisis. The technical solutions are there, but we need an international legal framework.

Opportunity: act quickly

Question: how can you mobilize your political leaders?

### **Tuzla city administration**

Challenge: sustainability + enlargement of the network (now 18)

Opportunity: knowledge exchange, LED, advocacy

Question:

### **FNP Brazil**

Challenge: federal government behaviour, they disrespect minorities and no attention for gender

Opportunity: New EU project: localize SDGs in 50 cities.

Question: How to apply SDG localization in Brazil?

### **Association des Municipalités du Burkina Faso-AMBF**

Challenge: many new members, a lot of expectations. How to find the resources for capacity building

Opportunity: places to exchange information and availability technical experts.

Question: How can CIB support us? Will the network allow us to participate or are there still silo's between north-south.

### **AFFCCRE:**

Challenge: difference between metropolitan areas. Fear from the citizens to invest abroad, there are concrete priorities within the country (France).

Opportunity: the state is increasing the money dedicated to local governments.

Question: How do we communicate with the citizens to justify our work?

### **Barcelona City Council**

Challenge: coordination internally and externally, political will

Opportunities: development of methodologies

Questions: How can we motivate different actors? Private sector, civil society etc.?

**UMT: Turkey**

Challenge: changing priorities.

Opportunity: new partnerships

Question: How to ensure sustainability to reach your actions?

**METROPOLIS**

Challenge: thematic, we want to do so much, but have limited resources. What is the focus?

Opportunity: Horizon 2020 fund for research and innovation.

Question: How to ensure deliverables? Cross-cutting? How to not waste funds?

**Innovation and politics institute**

Challenge: strengthening democracy and make it visible. How do you do that?

Opportunity: cities are the heart of democracy

Question: We have an innovation award, but how can we find these projects? How can the learnings be used?

**UCLG ASPAC**

Challenge: So many different countries in Asia and the Pacific, so setting priorities is a challenge.

Opportunity: it's a dynamic region and there are many international development cooperation networks. How to best use them?

Question: How do you make concrete impact?

**NALAS**

Challenge: financial resources

Opportunity: peer learning and knowledge sharing

Questions: would you be willing to join us in knowledge sharing events?

**German cities association:**

Challenge: cross-cutting themes: gender, digitalization, climate change

Opportunities: localizing SDGs

Question: Can you share good practices?

**UCLG World:**

Challenges: fiscal decentralisation.

Opportunity: solidarity

Question: How can we facilitate the Learning agenda?

**DeLoG**

Challenge: keeping the members active

Opportunity: membership diversifies, steering group, new inputs

Question: Which learning formats are still up to date?

**VVSG**

Challenge: City to city links

Opportunity: Agenda 2030 as this gained most attention at the local level. It is a shared framework for intergovernmental cooperation.

Questions: How do you advocate towards municipalities?

**Austria:**

Challenge: no money, no interest

Opportunity: SDGs

Question: How to build more collaborations?

**VNG International:**

Challenge: relationship with our Ministry of Foreign Affairs. How to ensure strategic partnerships for projects.

Opportunity: the Global Goals Municipality Campaign

Question: Do you also invest in thematic expertise for your projects?

**FCM**

Challenge: to design programs that can bring experts from Canada to the field. Sometimes security is an issue.

Opportunity: our 6 year program in 5 countries in which women in local government play a central role.

Question: How do we empower our partners? How can we partner with developing agencies like GIZ?