

It is an honor to address you as the newly elected President of UCLG ASPAC. As we delve into the pages of the Annual Report 2023, I am filled with optimism and a sense of responsibility towards the diverse local governments and communities that form our region.

The challenges we face are dynamic, from sustainable development to inclusive governance, and this report encapsulates the collective efforts of our member cities to overcome these hurdles and the various platforms we provided to tackle these challenges– from the 2023 Meeting of Governors and Mayors of ASEAN Capitals (MGMAC) and the ASEAN Mayors Forum (AMF) in Jakarta to the 9<sup>th</sup> UCLG ASPAC Congress in Yiwu, China, among others. United in purpose, we continue to forge partnerships, implement innovative solutions, and foster resilience in the face of global uncertainties.

We will continue to build on this great work that the UCLG ASPAC has achieved under the leadership of President Ashok and Secretary General Bernadia, and our members. We shall continue our work toward the empowerment of local commitments and the development and promotion of tailored local solutions, ensuring that these solutions are attuned to our unique aspirations for our local communities, the strengthening of regional networks, and the engagement of the youth.

As I take on the mantle of leadership, I am guided by the simple yet profound principle that I have shared with you: "The Future is Local!" This reflects our commitment to empowering communities, recognising that true progress emanates from the grassroots. When we say "The Future is Local", we are also saying that the power to decide and shape that future is in the hands of the people who live in it. Decisions made closer to home are more likely to reflect the needs and aspirations of local communities. Through collaborative initiatives, we can shape a future where local voices are heard, and local needs are met. The Future is Local, Opportunity-driven, Controllable, Adaptive, and Limitless.

I extend my gratitude to all member cities, partners, and dedicated individuals who contribute to the success of our shared endeavours. May this Annual Report inspire us to amplify our efforts and reinforce our dedication to building a more sustainable, equitable, and resilient Asia Pacific.

Governor Dakila Carlo Cua
Governor of Quirino Province
President of Union of Local Authorities of the Philippines (ULAP)
President of UCLG ASPAC

#### Dear readers,

I am proud to present our Organisation's achievements in 2023 in this Annual Report. As the theme "Jump Higher" reflects, the unwavering commitment and support of local government leaders continue to drive our work which was evident at our Organisation's largest gathering after the COVID-19 pandemic, the 9th UCLG ASPAC Congress in Yiwu. The creation of a new Committee on Logistics at the Congress marks our intention to boost the economic growth of our region. The success of the ASEAN Mayors Forum 2023 hosted by the Jakarta City Government demonstrate the readiness to consolidate for the sustainable growth of ASEAN cities.

The Localisation of SDGs has been our core activity over the past years. In 2023, UCLG ASPAC concluded its work under the framework of LEAD for SDGs Localisation Project in Pakistan. More members have developed VLRs and together with the local government associations we created the VSRs. We noted the enthusiasm and input we received during the South and Southeast Asia City-Wide Inclusive Sanitation Workshop in Tangerang. The 10<sup>th</sup> Asia-Pacific Forum on Sustainable Development and Asia-Pacific Urban Forum and the 8<sup>th</sup> Asia-Pacific Urban Forum is where we amplified local voices and made statements for intervention at the higher level.

Our pledge to sustainable development remains strong through various capacity-building activities, including the Asia-Pacific Mayors Academy and our climate projects. With the spirit to continuously support cities and local governments, our commitment to advocacy, learning, policy and research, programme and projects, and decentralised cooperation persists

With the leadership of President Dax and the newly elected Governing Body of UCLG ASPAC, we are ready to leapfrog toward creating clean and liveable cities in Asia and the Pacific. I would like to express my gratitude to Mayor Ashok for steering this Organisation in the right direction in his term.

Building on the great work we did in 2023, let us fly higher in 2024, ensuring we make more steady improvements to cities and local governments. With the new leadership and a positive spirit, this Organisation can indeed Jump Higher!

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



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# **Vision**

**UCLG ASPAC** is the united voice and advocate of democratic local self-government, which promotes cooperation between governments and within the wider international communities in the Asia-Pacific Region.

# **Mission**

To promote strong and effective democratic local selfgovernment throughout the region/world through fostering unity and cooperation among members;



To ensure the effective political representation of local government to the UN and other international communities;



To be the worldwide source of key information on local government, learning, exchange, and capacity building to support democratic local governments and their associations;



To promote economic, social, cultural, vocational, and environmental development in enhancing the services to the citizens based on good governance principles;



To promote race and gender equality, combating discrimination, promoting decentralised cooperation and international cooperation between local governments and their associations in strong democratic organisation;



To promote twinning and partnership between local governments and peoples.



# **Scope of Work**



**Advocacy** 



Capacity building and training



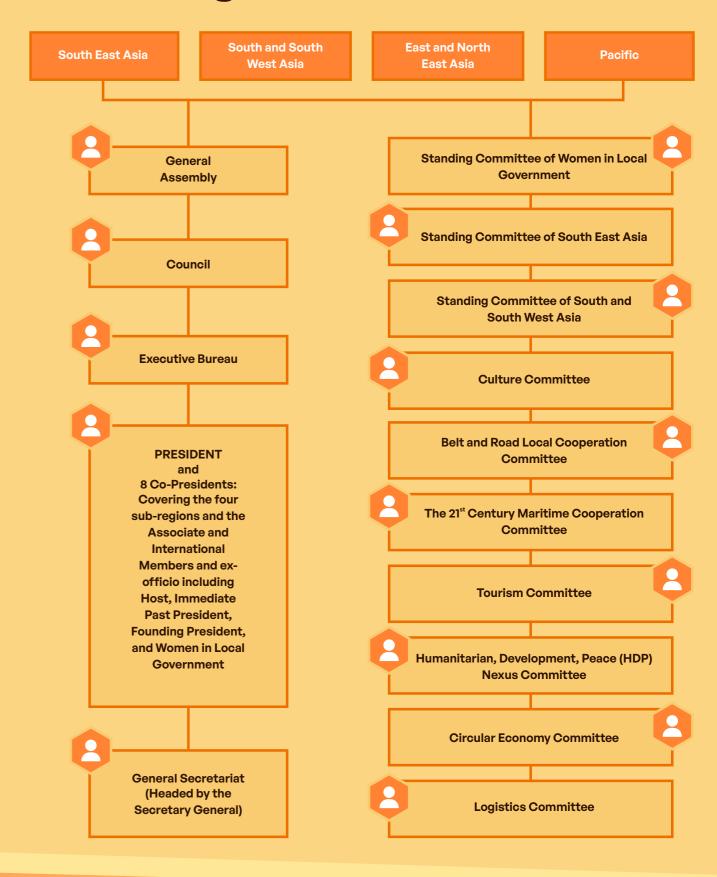
Decentralised cooperation (cities/local governments to cities/local governments exchange)





Project development and management

# **Organisation Chart**



# **UCLG ASPAC GOVERNING BODY 2023-2025**

### **PRESIDENT**



**DAKILA CARLO CUA** 

Representing Southeast Asia sub-region President, Union of Local Authorities of the Philippines (ULAP) Governor Ouirino Province

### **CO-PRESIDENT\***



**HE XIONG** 

Representing East and Northeast Asia sub-region Mayor, Zhengzhou City



**BHIM PRASAD DHUNGANA** 

Representing South and Southwest Asia sub-region President, Municipal Association of Nepal (MuAN) Mayor, Neelakantha Municipality



SAM BROUGHTON

Representing Pacific sub-region Mayor, Selwyn District Council



**RANJIT S. CHAVAN** 

Representing Associate and President, Local Government New Zealand International Organisation Members President, All India Institute of Local Self-Government (AIILSG)



**ZHANG YAJIE** 

Representing Women in Local Government Vice Chair of the Chinese People's Political Consultative Conference Guangzhou Committee Director General of Guangzhou Medical Security Bureau



**HERU BUDI HARTONO** 

Host Acting Governor Jakarta Capital City Government



**ASHOK KUMAR BYANJU SHRESTHA** 

Immediate Past President Mayor, Dhulikhel Municipality



**CHEN HAOSU** 

Founding President The Chinese People's Association for Friendship with Foreign Countries

### **EAST & NORTHEAST ASIA**



**HONG JOON-PYO** 

Mayor Daegu Metropolitan City



**WAN-AN CHIANG** 



Taipei City



**LEE CHEOL-WOO** 

Governor North Gyeongsang Province President Governors Association of The Republic of Korea (GAROK)



**KANG IM JUNE** 

Mayor Daejeon Metropolitan



**WU XIANDE** 

Fuzhou Municipal People's



**WOO BEOMKI** 

Mayor Jeonju City



YAO GAOYUAN

Mayor Hangzhou Municipal People's Government



**NAKANO YUSUKE** 

Hamamatsu City



YAN DONG

Vice President Chinese People's Association for Friendship with Foreign Countries (CPAFFC)



**PARK HEONG-JOON** 

Mayor Busan Metropolitan



**YE NIUPING** 

Xi'an Municipal People's

UCLG ASPAC comprises four sub-regions and all members are represented in the General Assembly, the supreme organ that is responsible for the overall policy, direction, and oversight of the Section. The Council is the principal policy-making body. It decides UCLG ASPAC's policies in a collegial way and ensures that general policies adopted by the General Assembly are implemented. The Executive Bureau is responsible for initiating proposals and carrying out the decisions of the Council. The Presidency, comprising the President and co-Presidents, represents all four sub-regions, the Associate and International Members, as well as ex-officio namely the Host, Immediate Past President, Founding President, and Women in Local Government. The President is the principal representative of UCLG ASPAC. The co-Presidents assist the President in carrying out his/her responsibilities and when necessary assume the role of President. The Secretary General directs the daily activities of UCLG ASPAC and carries out the decisions of the General Assembly, the Council and the Executive Bureau. The Secretary General manages the General Secretariat as well as the activities and programmes under the guidance of the Presidency and the responsibility of the Executive Bureau.

#### **SOUTHEAST ASIA**



ANDI HADIIN Mayor



DR. BIMA ARYA SUGIARTO

Samarinda City Association of Indonesia Municipalities (APEKSI) Mayor (~ Feb 2024)



DEXTED M LIV Catbalogan City



Acting Regent Mayor Musi Banyuasin Regency



SAV KOSAL

President

National League

of Local Councils



**JOUNE JAMES ESAU GANDA** 

Regent Mayor North Minahasa Regency



**NGUYEN NGOC SON** 

Association of Cities of Vietnam (ACVN) Chairman of Viet Tri City

### **PACIFIC**

### **SOUTH & SOUTHWEST ASIA**



**EDANCIS E R GDEEN** 

Kiribati Local Government Association Mayor Abaokoro



MD. REZAUL KARIM

Mayor Lalmonirhat Municipality



CHINTAN TAMANG

Mayor Dhankuta Municipality



LAXMI DEVI PANDEY

Chairperson National Association of Rural Municipalities in Nepal (NARMIN) Mayor Hunsekot Rural Municipality



NEUPANE

Mayor Vyas Municipality

### **DESIGNATED MEMBER**

### **SECRETARY GENERAL**



**TAMOTSU OKAMOTO** 

Chairperson, the Board of Director Council of Local Authorities for International Relations (CLAIR) of Japan

All names and designations are based on updates as of December 2023



BERNADIA IRAWATI TJANDRADEWI

Secretary General

# UCLG ASPAC MILESTONES 2023

9<sup>th</sup> UCLG ASPAC Congress



Countries

36



100



487
Participants



+170

Local Governments and Organisations



connecting

+5000

city and local government representatives



205

Members (cities, local governments, associations)



Presence

100

local, national, regional, international events



Knowledge Distribution

+5000

followers



The largest local government association in the region





# 9<sup>th</sup> UCLG ASPAC Congress: New Leadership, Cities Invigorated to Advance Economic Development in the Asia-Pacific Region

UCLG ASPAC successfully organised the 9<sup>th</sup> UCLG ASPAC Congress taking the theme "Advancing Balanced Economic Development for Asia and the Pacific," hosted by the Yiwu Municipal People's Government and the Chinese People's Association for Friendship with Foreign Countries (CPAFFC) from November 13-15, 2023. UCLG ASPAC took the 9<sup>th</sup> Congress to the next level, emboldening cities and local governments to rise to their highest potentialities, particularly to attain the Sustainable Development Goals. The Congress also accelerated cities' endeavours for development and sustainability through a Trade Matchmaking session.

(local governmer representatives partners, donors)

### Thematic Discussions:

Industrial upgrading, trade promotion, youth entrepreneurship, child-friendliness, and rural revitalisation

### **Recommendations and Insights For Cities**

The economic cooperation between the provincial government and the Korea International Cooperation Agency helped reduce poverty incidence and restored major watersheds in five



Mr. Dakila Carlo Cua, a newly elected President of UCLG ASPAC and Governor of Quirino Province and President of Union of Local Authorities of the Philippines (ULAP), newly elected President of UCLG ASPAC



The need to foster cooperation and leverage the opportunities of digital economy.

Mr. Ashok Kumar Byanju Shrestha, Mayor of Dhulikhel Municipality, Immediate Past President of UCLG ASPAC

The need for UCLG ASPAC members to work together for the common good and to encourage the growth of small and medium enterprises.

Ms. Tri Rismaharini, Minister of the Ministry of Social Affairs of Indonesia, President of UCLG ASPAC 2018-2021



Commitment to coordinated development that is open and inclusive, equal, and mutually beneficial, and innovative and green.

Mr. Yan Dong, Vice President of CPAFFC

Building open and inclusive system of cooperation, securing high-standard regional economic integration, exploring new domains of practical cooperation, and enhancing amity and trust among people.



Mr. Shi Zhongjun, Secretary General of ASEAN-China Centre



The need to improve the service level to promote the logistics industry.

Mr. Cai Jin, Vice Chairman of China Federation of Logistics and Purchasing, Asia-Pacific Regional Chair of the International Federation of Purchasing and Supply Management



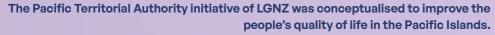
Mr. Wang Jian, Party Secretary of the Communist Party of China (CPC) Yiwu Municipal Committee





Yiwu City's open and inclusive investment and trade policies.

Mr. Luo Zupan, Vice Mayor of Yiwu



Mr. Sam Broughton, Mayor of Selwyn District, Co-President of UCLG ASPAC



To create a vibrant city, it is essential to focus on the development of jobs and the people.

Mr. Nakano Yusuke, Mayor of Hamamatsu City





How public-private partnerships can support the implementation of the sustainable development goals.

Datuk Abd. Hamid Bin Hussain, President of Sepang Municipal Council

The need to focus on inclusive growth, sustainable development, innovation and technology, and collaboration, for cities and local governments to advance balanced economic development.





The 9th UCLG ASPAC Congress also had several competitions. Winners of the Asia-Pacific Sanitation Award, conducted as part of the MuNASS Programme and supported by BMGF, were announced, namely: Warangal Municipality, Waling Municipality, Sakhipur Municipality, and Tangerang Regency. The second Photo Contest and first Essay Competition were also held and winners were announced in the Congress.

click to see their works: https://tinyurl.com/4w34udjf



Rangpur, Bangladesh Winner Photo Contest Category 1 "Trade and Industrial Advancement Post-pandemic Era"



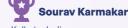
Quezon, Philippines Winner of Photo Contest Category 2 "Youth Involvement in Development"



Jakarta, Indonesia Winner of Photo Contest Category 3 "Promoting Innovative Local Development"



Kolkata, India Winner of Photo Contest Category 4 "Rural-Urban Interconnectivity"



Kolkata, India Winner of Photo Contest Favourite Award



Jakarta, Indonesia First Winner of Essay Competition



Second Winner of Essay Competition



Musi Banyuasin, Indonesia Third Winner of Essay Competition

### Results of Statutory Affairs Meeting



### **Approval of new members**

Bangladesh Municipal Development Fund (Bangladesh), Kageshwori Manohara Municipality (Nepal), Khaniyabas Rural Municipality (Nepal), Municipal Corporation of Turbat (Pakistan), Tangerang Regency (Indonesia), Waling Municipality (Nepal)



Establishment of UCLG ASPAC Logistics Committee led by Yiwu Municipal People's Government



Approval of North Minahasa Regency as the Host of the First Session of the 2024 UCLG ASPAC Executive **Bureau Meeting** 

UCLG ASPAC thanks all members and partners for actively participating in the 9th UCLG ASPAC Congress. We are looking forward to cooperating more with you to better impact cities and local governments in Asia and the Pacific region.

UCLG ASPAC also expresses its great appreciation to Jury members for their contributions at the first Regional Sanitation Award, Photo and Essay contests..

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# UCLG ASPAC and Metropolis Workshop: Listen to Metropolitan Cities' Needs and Concerns

UCLG ASPAC and World Association of the Major Metropolises (METROPOLIS) successfully co-organised a workshop "Listen to Metropolitan Cities: Financing Opportunities for Sustainable Urban Transitions/Transformations," supported by Jakarta Capital City Government, host of the UCLG ASPAC Secretariat, FMDV - The Global Fund for Cities Development, and The United Nations Capital Development Fund (UNCDF) on March 20, 2023. The event was held to gain a better understanding of the needs (including financial support) of Indonesian metropolitan city members, that significantly increase in number joining the UCLG, UCLG ASPAC, and Metropolis (Joint Membership). Cities' sharing in this event was used as input for Metropolis' Strategy 2023.



representing UCLG ASPAC metropolitan city members

We find that listening to cities is much better than acting and implementing based on assumptions.

Mr. Jordi Vaquer Secretary General of Metropolis



### **Cities Sharing**



### **Bandar Lampung City**

Preparation of Bandar Lampung as a metropolitan city, the city needs to manage funding and identify the development potential.

Dr. Rein Susinda Hesty

### **Palembang City**

Interested to contribute to more knowledge sharing sessions between metropolis cities.







### **Bogor City**

Eager to learn more on the essence of collaboration and learning between local governments and various stakeholders in implementing development projects with sustainability in mind. Challenges experienced have been in accessing funding, which have led to a halt in ongoing projects.

Mrs. Balgi Fahmi Sani

### **Jakarta City**

Eager to learn more about financing opportunities and waste management from other cities such as Banyumas, to improve Jakarta's participation as member of UCLG ASPAC and Metropolis at the upcoming Investment Forum.



Mr. Enggar Ferry



### **Medan City**

Resonated with the planning and implementation of projects on waste management, eager to share more about their experience in Public-Private Partnership (PPP) schemes for local governments, and that public-private aspect; equally expressed by Semarang city.

Mr. M. Kali Hamzah Siregar



### **Insights For Cities**



### Seoul

Seoul's private investment project, involving what is called a pre-negotiation system: from housing, public transport, and creation of public spaces; role of discussion, and collaboration between local governments, the public and even private sectors: formation of a negotiating committee comprised of both public and private organisations, pool of specialists for a working-level negotiation meeting followed by a policy negotiation meeting with the vice mayor before any specific decision and implementation of projects are made.

Ms. Kyungah Chung as a Secondee from Seoul Metropolitan Government (SMG) in UCLG ASPAC Secretariat



### **FMDV**

Cities to create the solutions to finance the just urban transition.

Ms. Margot de Groot Van Embden, Programme Manager for the Asia Desk of FMDV, a global alliance of cities initiated by UCLG and Metropolis



### SGAC

The multi-level intervention through the Smart Green ASEAN (SGAC) Programme targeting ASEAN cities.

Mr. Abdullah, Smart Green ASEAN Cities (SGAC) Project Officer of UNCDF

The workshop was closed with rounds of positive comments from both speakers and participants, with hopes of further UCLG ASPAC and Metropolis events in the future.



## **ASEAN Mayors Forum: Fortifies Collaboration among ASEAN Cities and Local Governments**

UCLG ASPAC, as the ASEAN Mayors Forum (AMF) Secretariat, successfully organised the 2023 AMF hosted by the Jakarta Special Capital Region on August 1-2, 2023. For the second time, the AMF and the Meeting of Governors and Mayors of ASEAN Capitals (MGMAC) were held jointly.

### **Insights and Recommendations for Cities**

People should be at the core of government work. ... Governors and Mayors should pursue three main agendas to support the ASEAN Chairmanship theme: health resilience, food security, and

Ms. Retno L.P. Marsudi, The Minister of Foreign Affairs (MoF) of the Republic of Indonesia

Local governments have a big role in supporting the continued relevance of ASEAN in responding to regional and global challenges and strengthening ASEAN's position as the centre of regional economic growth. He mentioned how MGMAC was first initiated by the Provincial Government of DKI Jakarta during the leadership of Mr. Joko Widodo in 2013 and has been since held annually following the ASEAN Chairmanship rotation.

Mr. Heru Budi Hartono, Acting Governor of Jakarta Special Capital Region

"For innovative, inclusive, and sustainable urban development, cities will therefore need to find the right combination of technology, policy, and partners."

Dr. Kao Kim Hourn, Secretary General of ASEAN

"ASEAN Maters: Epicentrum of Growth" based on three pillars: ASEAN Matters to signify ASEAN's vital role to the region and importance of unity; Epicentrum of Growth to recognise ASEAN's great economic potential and asset; and the implementation of the ASEAN Outlook on the Indo-Pacific to facilitate stable economic development.

Mr. Berlianto Situngkir, Director of ASEAN Economic Cooperation of MoEF of Indonesia The Consul of the Consulate General of the Republic of Indonesia in Shanghai, China (November 2023 ~ present)



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partners, and other

stakeholder groups







The importance of balance between urban and rural life which is demonstrated by three strategies: regulation to manage rural life, the establishment of Ministry of Village and Development, and allocation of budget.

Dr. Safrizal ZA, Director General of Regional Administration, Ministry of Home Affairs of the Republic of Indonesia



His province (Quirino), as a rural area, contributes to sustainable development through ecological balance and the ambition to be net zero in the next 5-10 years.

Mr. Dakila Carlo E. Cua, The President of the Union of Local Authorities of the Philippines (ULAP)/Governor of Quirino Province, the Philippines



Vientiane had been planning several accelerated strategic programmes to increase job creation within 2023-2030 period, including: providing public spaces; improving the quality of clean water; improving transportation services (BRT development); and managing population growth



Mr. Atsaphangthong Siphandone, Governor of Vientiane

1 The importance of having long-term plans aligned with the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) and the New Urban Agenda (NUA).

Mrs. Noraini Roslan, President/Mayor of Klang Municipal Council, Malaysia



Strengthening partnership and collaboration is key to global growth and prosperity not only between ASEAN cities and partners but among ASEAN cities as well.

Mr. Nuon Pharat, Vice Governor of Phnom Penh, Cambodia



The importance of ensuring disaster resilience, and standardisation of data management and protection, and expressed support for the implementation of Voluntary Local Review (VLR).

Dr. Emil E. Dardak, Vice Governor of East Java (until February 2024)



Three goals to achieve the Brunei 2035 vision: develop educated, highly skilled, and accomplished people; ensure high quality of life; and achieve a dynamic and sustainable economy. Brunei also started mandatory reporting to track progress in reducing greenhouse gas emissions and achieved progress on SDGs 3, 4, 6, 7, 8, 14, and 15 as reflected in their Voluntary National Review (VNR) 2023.



Mr. Mohammad Sofian bin Haji Basri, Acting Tutong District Officer, Bandar Seri Begawan-Brunei Darussalam



How Siem Reap Province is trying to reduce poverty by improving public service through one window, one service; public healthcare service; infrastructure; tourism development; agriculture development; and education.

Ms. Math Azimah, Deputy Governor of Siem Reap Province



Their challenge is how local people annually burn their far which brings serious air pollution. To address this, Luang Prabang paid more attention to public awareness; education and public health; and the provision of jobs and project to address poverty.

Mr. Saveuy Silavan, Vice Mayor of Luang Prabang City



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UCLG ASPAC, and the Ministry of Home Affairs of the Republic of Indonesia (MoHA), successfully held the 2023 meeting of Coordination and Evaluation of the Cooperation, hosted by City Government of Jambi, on February 27-28, 2023. The meeting is part of the UCLG ASPAC-MoHA agreement to ensure the increased participation of and benefits for member cities and local governments in Indonesia, the host country of the UCLG ASPAC Secretariat. The meeting brought more than 100 city officials representing 26 Indonesian cities and regencies, MoHA, the State Secretary, and the National Secretariat for SDGs/Ministry of National Development Planning of Indonesia. In this meeting, UCLG ASPAC also invited PT Sarana Multi Infrastruktur (SMI), a State-Owned Enterprise dedicated to achieving sustainable development for investors, government, and society.

**Towards Prolific Collaboration** 

### **Key Discussions**

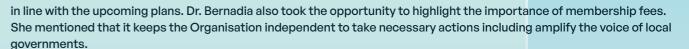
- 1 Synergy and Benefits of Collaboration by the Internal Work Unit of the MoHA;
- 2 Synergy and Benefits of Collaboration by the cities and local governments that are members of UCLG ASPAC;
- 3 Local Governments' Challenges and Constraints in membership in UCLG ASPAC;
- 4 Achievements and Good Practices as the result of Collaboration;
- 5 Favorable policy for continued support to UCLG ASPAC.

### Cities' Voices, Insights For Future Collaborations

- O City of Samarinda, City of Jambi, City of Pangkal Pinang, City of Banjarmasin, and Regency of Ogan Komering Ilir shared their positive responses and expectations for upcoming activities, including capacity building for labour; expert certification; creative economy programme; green building; assistance to develop VLR; eco-tourism; internship/secondment programme and short-courses for Indonesian local governments; and knowledge exchange on carbon trade.
- O City Government of Yogyakarta and Regency Government of North Minahasa also shared positive feedbacks and the North Minahasa Regency specifically proposed to get facilitation for collaboration and cooperation to develop their eco-tourism and optimise opportunities for their commodity (coconut oil).

# Responses by UCLG ASPAC Secretary General Dr. Bernadia:

- O For facilitation of international cooperation, local governments can draft a plan on their expected international cooperation, which includes their priorities.
- O For learning exchange, UCLG ASPAC will explore internship opportunities for Indonesia's local governments to city members in other countries in the region.
- For Carbon Trade issues, UCLG ASPAC will hold a workshop on carbon trade by inviting competent speakers.





# Knowledge Sharing with PT SMI, Bappenas, and Seoul Metropolitan Government

This was a space for better understanding on alternative financing for climate actions; introduction of VLR to increase the knowledge of local government in developing the inclusive SDGs report that contributes to the VNR; good practices of Seoul delivered by UCLG ASPAC Secondee from Seoul Metropolitan Government (SMG) in becoming eco-friendly and liveable city.

### Site Visit

All participants joined site-visit to the project location of the Integrated Resource Recovery Centre (IRRC) Waste to Energy (WTE) in Talang Banjar Market and Sanitary Landfill in Talang Gulo (TPA Talang Gulo). IRRC is a 2016 grant project from the United Nations Environment and Commission for Asia and the Pacific (UNESCAP) in partnership with UCLG ASPAC. Participants also visited the Talang Gulo sanitary landfill, developed from a collaboration between the Government of Indonesia and the Government of Germany in the Emission Reduction in Cities–Solid Waste Management (ERIC–SWM) Programme, and participated in tree planting as part of the Jambi-UNESCAP-UCLG ASPAC air-pollution programme and visited the location of leachate treatment.





### **UCLG ASPAC-MoHA Collaborations**

UCLG ASPAC and MoHA also collaborated in developing capacity building and training activities. Throughout 2023, several trainings were conducted, such as in collaboration with the Open Government Indonesia (OGI).

Online Training May 10-11, 2023	Outreach 39 local government representatives
Hybrid Training	Outreach
Nov 22-24, 2023; Bogor	25 local government representatives



## UCLG ASPAC at the 10<sup>th</sup> APFSD: Collective Power of Local Governments

**UCLG ASPAC** partook in the 10<sup>th</sup> Asia-Pacific Forum on Sustainable Development from March 27 to 30, 2023, held in Bangkok, Thailand, under the framework of Asia-Pacific Local Government Coordinating Body (APLG), the regional coordination mechanism of local governments in the region.

Theme: "Accelerating the recovery from the coronavirus disease (COVID-19) and the full implementation of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development at all levels in Asia and the Pacific". The Forum assessed progress on the following Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs): Goal 6 (Clean Water and Sanitation); Goal 7 (Affordable and Clean Energy); Goal 9 (Industry, Innovation, and Infrastructure); Goal 11 (Sustainable Cities and Communities) and Goal 17 (Partnership for the Goals).



UCLG ASPAC led the preparation of the Joint Statement of Local Authorities to the APFSD which was delivered by UCLG ASPAC Secretary General Dr. Bernadia Irawati Tjandradewi at the plenary session on March 27, 2023, highlighting the need for local level SDG indicators in line with the national frameworks, capacity building for local governments in Least Developed Countries especially the Pacific on the Voluntary Local Review (VLR), and innovative financing and investment to localise the SDGs.



Local governments are helping each other through decentralised cooperation, and we need national governments and the international community to provide an enabling environment that will let us be more effective in the essential work that we do. With our collective power, the power of we, we can build our common future.

Dr. Bernadia Irawati Tjandradewi Secretary General, UCLG ASPAC



Localisation and SDG 11 are crucial enablers of all the SDGs that must be invested upon.

(local government

representatives, associations, partners)

Ms. Germelina Singson-Goulart, Executive Vice President for Operations of the League of Municipalities of the Philippines (LMP) and Mayor of the Municipality of Caoayan







UCLG ASPAC organised/co-organised, together with partners, several in-person and virtual side events at the APFSD. At the side event "SDG11 in Focus: Glocalisation: Catalysing Local Implementation of Global Goals in Asia and the Pacific," UCLG ASPAC Secretary General emphasised the importance of localisation to realise the 2030 Agenda on Sustainable Development.

# Creating a Sustainable Urban Future at the 8<sup>th</sup> Asia-Pacific Urban Forum

(local government representatives, associations, partners)

**UCLG ASPAC,** under the framework of The Asia-Pacific Local Government Coordinating Body (APLG), facilitated the expression of the commitment of cities and local governments to the global agenda at the 8<sup>th</sup> Asia-Pacific Urban Forum through the Local Government Assembly and parallel sessions on October 23-25, 2023. The event, held in Suwon, South Korea, and organised by the United Nations Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific (UNESCAP), focused on urban and territorial planning, urban climate action, inclusive urban digitalisation, and urban finance.

### **Local Government Assembly**



Provided learning space for cities and local governments on initiatives related to urban regeneration and transformation for sustainable development and to discuss and finalise the Joint Local Government Statement to the APUF-8, serving as input to the Joint Statement of the Assemblies delivered at the Closing Ceremony of APUF-8.

Graced by: Mr. Tae-young Yeom, Vice Governor for the Economy of the Gyeonggi Provincial Government and Ms. Armida Salsiah Alisjahbana, Executive Secretary of UNESCAP

### **Parallel Sessions**



UCLG ASPAC co-organised three parallel sessions at APUF8.

- "Unlocking the Potential of VLRs: Building Sustainable Cities through Local Action and Follow-up and Review Processes"
- Enabling Frameworks to Support Asian Cities' Ability to Access Climate Finance (with UNESCAP, the Deutsche Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit (GIZ), Cities Climate Finance Leadership Alliance (CCFLA))
- Leveraging Digital Innovation for Sustainable Urban Development (with UNESCAP, UNHABITAT, and Seeds Star)



**UCLG ASPAC,** supported by the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation (BMGF), is implementing the Municipalities Network Advocacy on Sanitation in South Asia (MuNASS) programme in the South Asia region focusing on Bangladesh and Nepal to strengthen the capacity of municipalities and municipal associations in designing and implementing City Wide Inclusive Sanitation (CWIS). This investment has facilitated the learning of important lessons on how to fill SDG data gaps, made available important advocacy tools, and developed a scalable model for engaging municipalities to achieve SDG 6.2 within and beyond South Asia.

### **Key achievements**

### **Policy Advocacy**



Provided feedback on the Water, Sanitation, and Hygiene (WASH) Policy, Joint Sector Review WASH Workshops in Madhesh Province, led the initiation of CWIS Guideline Indicators Validation Workshop (by MuAN);



Completed study on Sanitation Data Management by MAB focused on SDG 6.2 showing lower achievements of SDG 6 than the data found in SDG tracker, supportive to Sanitation data management policy level to reduce data gap;



Accomplished five national-level advocacy events including Policy Dialogue on Urban Sanitation and Shit Flow Diagram (SFD) Institutionalisation with more than 810 attendees including Mayors, Deputy Mayors, Municipal Staffs and Development partners;



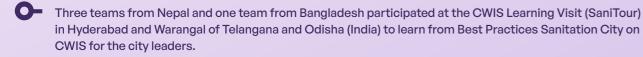
Drafted Seven By Laws to support pilot cities in Nepal as largest number of Policy support in Nepal;



Successfully organised CWIS Conclave in Nepal participated by more than 270 City Leaders, National Leaders, High Officials (by MuAN) with leaders' commitment to implement CWIS approach in Nepal.

### Capacity building

In the seven province of Nepal, 638 participants have received orientation on CWIS;



In Bangladesh, Press Institute Bangladesh and MAB has jointly organised orientation for National Media personnels;

- The SFD exercises took place in 52 Municipalities of Nepal with 29 reports published by international platform SuSanA. DWSS in Nepal has agreed to incorporate a dashboard on Sanitation under their NWASH System and to add SFDs for greater audience and support;
- Gender Equity and Social Inclusion (GESI) Unit has been given an orientation on CWIS followed by a need of assessment workshop. In Bangladesh, GESI Unit has initiated the activity to raise the awareness of mass people in cities and stakeholders on Safe Public Toilet for women.
- Waling Municipality in Nepal has completed the construction of Faecal Sludge Treatment Plant (FSTP) and is now under a trial run. By October, it will upgrade its system and become fully functional. The business plan has also been prepared and revalidated by the Municipality.
- In Bangladesh, Lalmonirhat and Bera Municipalities have completed the construction of FSTP with the support of the government fund and already started operations.



- Lalmonirhat Municipality Sanitation Business Plan has been presented as part of the upcoming module at the Asia Pacific Mayors Academy and was well appreciated by workshop participants.
- National Institute of Local Government (NILG) under the Ministry of Local Government in Bangladesh has updated National Sanitation Training Manual with the support from MuNASS in collaboration with MAB.
- FSTP of Dhulikhel Municipality has been upgraded to Co treatment plant.

### **Knowledge Management**

Sanitation Excellence Awards

UCLG ASPAC held Sanitation Excellence Awards and declared Ratnanagar Municipality of Nepal and Kushtia Municipality of Bangladesh as winners of Sanitation Excellence Award at the UCLG ASPAC Executive Bureau meeting (Kathmandu). Second round of Sanitation Excellence award winners: Warangal City Corporation, India, Waling Municipality of Nepal, Sakhipur Municipality of Bangladesh, and Tangerang Regency of Indonesia. Independent Evaluation committee led by the sector experts evaluated the award applications.

### MuNASS IEC Materials

MuNASS Phase 2 has published valuable knowledge materials to support SDG 6.2 in both Nepal and Bangladesh. Sustainable Finance Department in Bangladesh has published number of guidelines for private sector, MAB has made a compendium and shared with cities to get access to finance for private sectors to address FSM. MuAN in Nepal has published SFD reports in both local and international level. 29 Reports have already been published. A literature on SFD, Poster on Safe Sanitation, Sticker, one video have been published.

CWIS Regional Assembly in Kathmandu, Nepal (April 11-13, 2023)

Kathmandu Recommendations click: https://tinyurl.com/ffad6hu9

South and Southeast Asia City Wide Inclusive Sanitation (CWIS) Workshop, Tangerang Regency, Indonesia

Sanitation Innovation Technology session, 9th UCLG ASPAC Congress, China

# **Climate Action Support to Cities** CRIC

UCLG ASPAC Climate Resilient and Inclusive Cities (CRIC) Project, funded jointly with the European Union (EU), completed its capacity building support to cities and local governments in 2023. CRIC Project commits to supporting cities, particularly in their climate actions.

In 2023, CRIC Project:

### Held CRIC Panel Discussion: Tackling Climate Change Challenges and Creating Opportunities in Climate Action





The conduct of

**Assistances** 

Organisation of **Training Activities** 



Total participation of representatives of local governments









### **GCoM**

UCLG ASPAC Global Covenant of Mayors (GCoM) Southeast Asia (SEA) concluded its support to cities' resilience in 2023 through various activities such as webinars, knowledge sharing, networking events, and training.

# **5 National Workshops:**

Thailand, Indonesia, Malaysia, Viet Nam



**Total Participants:** 

539



Cities reached out:

164

# 1 Southeast Asia Regional Workshop



**Total Participants:** 

107



Cities reached out:

# 10<sup>th</sup> APFSD Side Event Knowledge Sharing



**Total Participants:** 

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# Local Empowerment, Advocacy and Development (LEAD) for Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) Localisation in Pakistan

**UCLG ASPAC** under the framework of LEAD for SDGs programme, jointly funded by the European Union, supported local governments in Pakistan to localise the SDGs, for sharing learnings on SDGs localisation at regional level. In year 2023, the programme concluded its support. Below is the summary of its journey this year.

### January 6, 23, 2023 | Karachi

Local Councils Association Sindh organised a day-long consecutive Provincial Policy Dialogues on Localisation and Implementation of 'SDG 3 Health and Well-being' and 'SDG 4 Quality Education' in Karachi on January 6 and 23, 2023 respectively.



### January 26, 2023 | Islamabad

Collaborating with the strategic stakeholder of LEAD for SDGs project, National Assembly of Pakistan's SDGs Secretariat, LEAD jointly arranged the inauguration ceremony of the SDGs Knowledge Hub (SKH). Developed by LEAD4SDGs in close coordination with The Federal Minister for Planning Development and Special Initiatives (PD&SI), SKH is to support the Government of Pakistan in supplementing the knowledge and information on the localisation of SDGs for development practitioners, policy, academia, and decision-makers to play a more effective role in sustainable local development through the realisation of SDGs Localisation in Pakistan.



### February 16, 2023 | Islamabad

The project partnered with the National Assembly of Pakistan's SDGs Secretariat and arranged an all-day National Dialogue on the localisation of the SDGs containing fruitful technical sessions on "Parliamentary Oversight of the SDGs, Local-level Reporting on SDGs and Identifying the Role of Local Governments in Achieving the Agenda 2030."



# February 27-28, March 1, 2023 | Gwadar, March 15-17, 2023 | Quetta

Three-day Programmes for multi-stakeholder intervention to rank SDGs and to build the capacity of the newly elected Local Government Representatives of Balochistan on Legal, Financial and Administrative Authorities and Localisation of SDGs in pilot districts of Gwadar and Quetta.



### March 29, 2023 | Bangkok

Mr. Mian Rajan Sultan Pirzada, President, Association for Development of Local Governance along with representatives of Local Governments from Balochistan and Sindh participated in the 10<sup>th</sup> APFSD.



### April 11, 2023 | Quetta

Multi-Stakeholders' Workshop for the provincial and two districts (Quetta and Kech) SDGs alliances to discuss the baseline study, SDGs ranking, prioritisation results, and finalising the themes relevant for action research to improve planning and development at all levels.



### April 13 - 14, 2023 | Karachi

Multi-Stakeholders' Workshop was organised by Local Councils Association Sindh under the LEAD for SDGs Programme.

The first dialogue was held on May 19, 2023, in Sukkur on SDG 13: Climate Action. It involved active participation from students, professors, and the Larkana District Alliance on SDGs.



### May 2023

Under the LEAD Project framework, the Local Councils Association Sindh and Balochistan conducted three district-level policy dialogues at Sukkur IBA University and the University of Turbat, addressing key Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs).



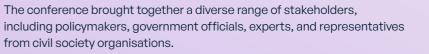
### June 13, 2023 | Islamabad

Capacity Building Workshop on SDG Local Reporting and Monitoring. The objectives: strengthening capacity of the local governments' representatives on data and information collection relevant to progress and implementation of SDGs at local level and institutionalising SDGs reporting at local level that will operate beyond project life and instrumental in long-term for a localised sustainable development in Pakistan.



### June 14, 2023

National Conference on Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) was organised in Islamabad, Pakistan to accelerate the implementation of the SDGs Agenda 2030 and empower local governments for inclusive and sustainable development at the grassroots level.





UCLG ASPAC Secretariat would like to thank our members in Pakistan for actively involved in the LEAD Programme, and to the EU for financial support.

# **Committees**

**UCLG ASPAC's** Committees also recorded various activities throughout year 2023 (such as in UCLG ASPAC Congress 2023):

### **HDP Nexus Committee**



### **Tourism Committee**



# Standing Committee for Southeast Asia



### **Culture Committee**



**Standing Committee for South and Southwest Asia** 



**BRLC** 



# Standing Committee on Women in Local Governments



# Women Empowerment: From Gender Responsive and Participatory Budgeting Workshop to Championing the Works of Women Leaders

Involved

a total of 42

participants from 12 local governments in Malaysia

**UCLG ASPAC** in collaboration with Penang Women's Development Corporation (PWDC), and the United Nations Human Settlements Programme (UN-HABITAT), held Learning Workshop on Gender Responsive and Participatory Budgeting (GRPB) for local governments on February 13<sup>th</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup>, 2023. As part of the Kuala Lumpur Regional Training Centre (KLRTC) 43, the event was hosted by the Dewan Bandaraya Kuala Lumpur (DBKL), Malaysia.



The GRPB in local government is important. This issue is a two-pronged approach that includes a top-down approach, which is Responsiveness in local government budgeting, and a bottom-up approach, which is "Participatory" to ensure community (particularly women) participation. Instead of having a separate budget for women, GRPB is an important tool to improve the transparency, accountability, effectiveness, and efficiency of the management of public expenditure and provides for a more equitable distribution of public finances for women and men.

Dr. Bernadia Irawati Tjandradewi, the Secretary General of UCLG ASPAC

UCLG ASPAC also championed great works of female city leaders promoted through its monthly eNewsletter distributed to members and partners:







]. Hj. Umi Azizah, Mayor of Tegal	7. Anna Reynolds, Lord Mayor of Hobart
2. Lani Mercado-Revilla, Mayor of Bacoor	8. Kasmarni Purbaningtyas, Regent of Bengkalis
3. Rahma, Regent of Tanjungpinang	9. Sitti Djalia Turabin-Hataman, Mayor of Isabela
4. Jane Censoria Cajes Yap, Mayor of Tagbilaran	10. Imelda Aguilar, Mayor of Las Pinas
5. Indah Putri Indriani, Regent of North Luwu	11. Beverly Rose Dimacuha, Mayor of Batangas
6. Satoko Kishimoto, Mayor of Suginami Ward	12. Viandrei Nicole J. Cuevas, Mayor of Palayan



## Asia-Pacific Mayors Academy: Supporting City Leaders' Capacity Building and Networking

**UCLG ASPAC** supports capacity building and networking of city leaders in the Asia-Pacific region under the framework of the Asia-Pacific Mayors Academy, a collaborative framework with the United Nations Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific (ESCAP), the United Nations Human Settlements Programme (UN-Habitat), the United Nations University, Institute for the Advanced Study of Sustainability (UNU-IAS), the Association of Pacific Rim Universities (APRU), and Institute for Global Environmental Strategies (IGES).

In 2023, the Asia-Pacific Mayors Academy virtually launched and held its first two modules on April 4 and 18, 2023. A total of 13 Mayors from four countries comprise the fourth batch including Hang Tuah Jaya and Rompin (Malaysia), Bedkot, Bheri, Phikkal, and Hetauda (Nepal), Anilao, Badiangan, Calapan, Cauayan, Iligan, and Ormoc (Philippines), and Nakhon Si Thammarat (Thailand).

Module 1 (Cities 2030) introduced global development frameworks mainly the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development and its linkages with the Paris Climate Change Agreement, Sendai Framework, New Urban Agenda, and Addis Ababa Action Agenda. It highlighted that all the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) have an urban dimension which underscored the importance of cities in achieving them.





During their self-introductions, Mayors identified the following challenges for sustainable urban development in their cities: insufficient financial resources; lack of technical capacity for disaster preparedness, climate change adaptation, and sustainable waste management; lack of adequate infrastructure; and limited public awareness and engagement on sustainable development.

Module 2 (COVID-19 Recovery) established the link between the SDGs and COVID-19 recovery and introduced the Voluntary Local Review (VLR). In her opening message, UCLG ASPAC Secretary General Dr. Bernadia Irawati Tjandradewi acknowledged how local actions can shape the future of cities and how local solutions contribute to the regional recovery. UCLG ASPAC President Mayor Ashok Kumar Byanju Shrestha shared his experience in developing Dhulikhel Municipality's VLR which enabled connection with the federal and provincial governments, and collaboration with different stakeholders. The VLR showcased their work on SDGs 1, 2, 4, and 6, and on participatory governance through the stakeholder councils for women, youth, and people with disabilities. Dhulikhel Municipality's VLR is the first in Nepal and South Asia.

UCLG ASPAC is a permanent member of the Academy's Advisory Board. For more information on the Asia-Pacific Mayors Academy, visit https://www.asiapacificmayorsacademy.org/.

# Facilitating Cities in Smart City Innovation Lab

**UCLG ASPAC** was engaged by the United Nations Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific (UNESCAP) to support the implementation of the "SCIL" Smart City Innovation Integration Project (October 2021-2023), a project to respond to the rapid population growth in cities across the Asia-Pacific region, which has brought about challenges such as traffic congestion, pollution, waste management, environmental degradation, and the increasing potential for a digital revolution. This project fostered innovation in the region by facilitating collaboration among cities, start-ups, major technology companies, and key development stakeholders to implement and expand technological solutions for sustainable urban development.





RESULT: The SCIL project selected Chiangmai, Sihanoukville, and Surabaya for implementation and local startups as service providers for respective pilot cities: Jaramba (Surabaya), GEPP (Sihanoukville), and Ally Generation (Chiang Mai).

UCLG ASPAC is proud to be part of this project's journey, accompanying the process and delivering support to cities.

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### **New Members**



### **Bangladesh Municipal Development Fund (BMDF)**

Chairman : Mr. Muhammad Ibrahim Website : bmdf.portal.gov.bd



### **Bheemdatt Municipality**

Mayor : Mr. Padam Bokati
Website : bheemdattamun.gov.np



### **Biratnagar Metropolitan City**

Mayor : Mr. Nagesh Koirala

Website : www.biratnagarmun.gov.np



### **Birendranagar Municipality**

Mayor : Mr. Mohan Maya Dhakal Website : birendranagarmun.gov.np



### **Dhangadhi Sub-Metropolitan City**

Mayor : Mr. Gopal Hamalhttps Website : dhangadhimun.gov.np



### **Dharamshala Municipal Corporation**

Mayor : Mr. Onkar Singh Nehria Website : enedharamshala.in



### **Gyeongju City**

Mayor : Mr. Joo Nak-Young Website : gyeongju.go.kr



### **Kageshwori Manohara Municipality**

Mayor : Mr. Upendra Karki

Website : kageshworimanoharamun.gov.np



### **Khaniyabas Rural Municipality**

Mayor : Mr. Rana Bahadur Tamang
Website : khaniyabasmun.gov.np



### **Lalmonirhat Municipality**

Mayor : Md. Rezaul Karim Swapan

Website: www.lalmonirhatmunicipality.gov.bd



### **Mardan City**

1ayor : Mr. Himayat Ullah Mayar

Website: -



### **Municipal Corporation Turbat**

Mayor : Mr. Balakhsher Website : dckech.com.pk



### **Pariaman City**

Mr. Genius Umar (October 2018 - October 2023)

Website : pariamankota.go.id



### **Qingdao Municipal People's Government**

1ayor : Mr. Zhao Haozhi

Website : english.qingdao.gov.cn



### **Tangerang Regency**

Mayor : Dr. Andi Ony P., M.si. Website : tangerangkab.go.id



### **Waling Municipality**

Mayor : Mr. Krishna Khand Website : walingmun.gov.np





Alma Atisla

Bachelor's degree University of Malaya Urban and Regional Planning



#### Iffah Zati Mazaya

Bachelor's Degree Institute of Technology Bandung Urban and Regional Planning



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Bachelor's degree University of Gadjah Mada, International Relation



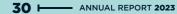
### **Laudza Fajrul Falakh** Bachelor's degree

Parahyangan Catholic University, Bandung



### Nicole Accalia Angriawan

Bachelor's degree University of Indonesia Social Anthropology (2020)



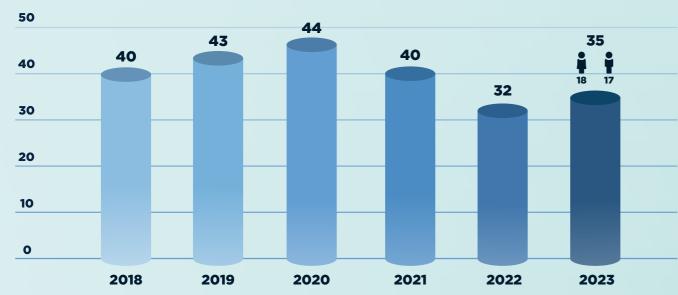
# Strengthening the Secretariat



UCLG ASPAC Secretariat is headed by the Secretary General. The Secretariat is made up of 35 members (as of December 2023), including core and project staffs, who serve a broad range of UCLG ASPAC's works and activities throughout the Asia Pacific region, with balanced gender portion.

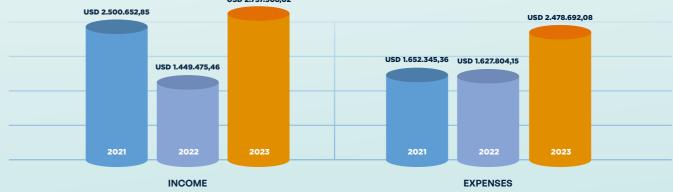
In 2023, UCLG ASPAC Secretariat Office continued the implementation of Enterprise Resources Planning (ERP) System in Human Resources Integrated System (HRIS) and started to cover the Key Performance Indicator (KPI) aspect to monitor and evaluate the employee performance, progress and impact as well as identify any issue on manifesto implementation, risk, or opportunity. In September 2023, KPI Modules of ERP System is ready to be utilised by the Secretariat's staff.

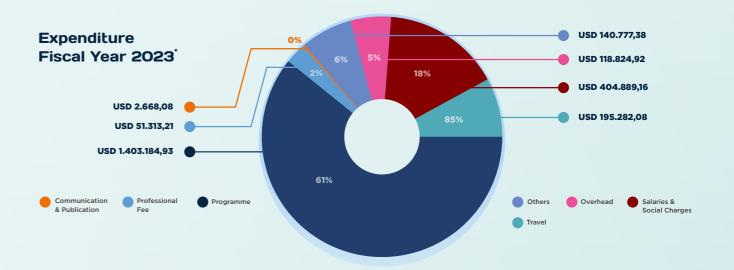
### **Number Of Employees**



<sup>\*)</sup> In 2021, some employees completed their contracts and were hired as part-time consultants.

### **Financial Highlights** USD 2.757.508,02 USD 2.500.652,85







2022



USD 351.421

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Other Factors That Allow

**UCLG ASPAC** to Operate



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**









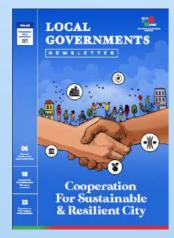


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# **Knowledge Development Products**

Throughout 2023, UCLG ASPAC produced and disseminated various knowledge development to our network.

### Newsletter





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### e-Newsletter



### Website



### e-Learning



### **Videos**











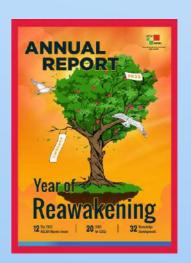


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### **Indonesian Parliament and Ministries**



Cooperation (BKSAP















The Indonesian House Committee for Home Affairs Inter-Parliamentary

Ministry of National Development Planning

Ministry of Foreign Affairs

Ministry of Environment Ministry of Public Works and Forestry and Public Housing

Indonesian National Board for Disaster Management



# Calendar of Activities 2024



### 19-23 February

**Online Presidency Meeting** Organised by: UCLG World

### 19-24 February

**Fellowship Training Programme Gyeonggi Province Organised by: HDP Nexus Committee** 

### 20-23 February

11th Asia-Pacific Forum on **Sustainable Development** Bangkok Organised by: UN ESCAP

### 17-19 April

**UCLG Executive Bureau Meeting** Organised by: UCLG World

### 23-25 April

First Session of 2024 UCLG ASPAC **Executive Bureau Meeting** North Minahasa Regency Organised by: UCLG ASPAC

### **April-August**

Asia Pacific Mayors Academy | virtual Organised by: UCLG ASPAC, ESCAP, **UN Habitat** 

### 18-25 May

The 10<sup>th</sup> World water Forum

**Organised by: World Water Council** 

### **21 May**

Local and Regional Governments Day; International Conference of Local and Regional Governments in conjunction with the 10<sup>th</sup> World Water Forum Organised by: UCLG

### 22-23 May

**International Workshop on Building Smart and Resilient Cities and** Communities in Asia and the Pacific in conjunction with the 10<sup>th</sup> **World Water Forum** Organised by: UCLG ASPAC, UNCRD

### **June 2024**

**International Workshop** Organised by: UCLG ASPAC **Culture Committee** 

### **2-4 July**

International Mayors Forum 2024 Organised by: UNOSD, UCLG ASPAC, **Jakarta City Government** 

### 8-18 **July**

**High Level Political Forum New York** Organised by: UN

### 11 July

**Local and Regional Governments** Forum (TBC) **New York** Organised by: UCLG

### **5 September**

The 2<sup>nd</sup> Belt and Road Local Cooperation Committee (BRLC) Committee General Assembly and 2023 **Council Meeting** Hangzhou

Organised by: Belt and Road Local

**Cooperation Committee** 

### 18-19 September

2024 ASEAN Mayors Forum Vientiane Organised by: UCLG ASPAC

### September

**Global Youth Creatives Residency Organised by: Culture Committee** 

### September/October

**UCLG ASPAC Executive Bureau and 2024 Council Meetings Zhengzhou City** Organised by: UCLG ASPAC

Second Session of 2024

### 8-10 October

**UCLG Council** The Hague Organised by: UCLG WORLD



**Asia-Pacific Ministerial Conference** on Disaster Risk Reduction **Pasig** 

### 14-17 October

Organised by: UNDRR

We would like to thank our members and partners for contributing photos and materials used for this publication.

We want to hear from you! Please send your feedbacks and suggestions to communication@uclg-aspac.org

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