



**URBAN SDG  
KNOWLEDGE PLATFORM**

# Introduction to the Urban SDG Knowledge Platform

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# Cities and the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development

- Cities are central to the implementation of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development
  - Dedicated goal on cities: Goal 11: Make cities inclusive, safe, resilient and sustainable
  - Implementation of all goals depends on local action
  - 65% of targets relevant to cities (UCLG)



# Cities leading the way

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- Cities concentrate development **challenges** & need innovation:
  - urban policy & planning,
  - municipal governance & data,
  - urban finance,
  - infrastructure & operations
- But cities also well placed to develop **solutions**:
  - Seoul on low-carbon urban development,
  - Indian cities & Port Moresby (PNG) to improve safety,
  - Kathamadu (Nepal) & Betio (Kiribati) building resilience,
  - Seberang Perai (Malaysia) gender-responsive participatory budgeting,
  - Almaty (Kazakhstan) sustainable transport





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# SEOULLO 7017: FLYING WALKWAY

A task of the competition was turning the Seoul Station Overpass, an industrial heritage of Seoul, into a new public space while preserving it as it was.

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## Perdana Botanical Garden Project

The Heritage Park of Kuala Lumpur

KUALA LUMPUR  
MALAYSIA



**Partnership of Seoul Metropolitan Government, CityNet & ESCAP**

# Overview of the Platform

## Objectives

The Platform will support local action for the implementation of the 2030 Agenda, by:

- Providing a repository of policies, initiatives and good practices at the city level.
- Facilitating regional cooperation, linking cities that have specific solutions with cities interested in replicating them.
- Facilitating regional follow-up and review of implementation of the 2030 Agenda.

## Target users and audience

- The main target users of the Platform are local governments.
- The Platform will also provide a useful knowledge base for national government officials, in particular those tasked with the implementation of the 2030 Agenda, multilateral agencies and donors, as well as civil society organizations active in cities.



# Linking with....

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- Work around the Platform will be linked to other initiatives & events related to SDGs, including :
  - 11th tranche **DA project on Localizing SDGs** in A-P (2018-2021)
  - Asia-Pacific Urban Forum (**APUF**) & World Urban Forum (**WUF**)
  - Asia-Pacific Forum on Sustainable Development (**APFSD**)
- The Platform will also help ESCAP and its partners:
  - **Identify cities that are leading in SDG implementation**
  - **Inform future research & publications**
  - **Identifying speakers for events**
- The platform will also facilitate the regional follow-up & review of progress in implementing the SDGs





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