

Local and Regional Governments Breaking Through As One

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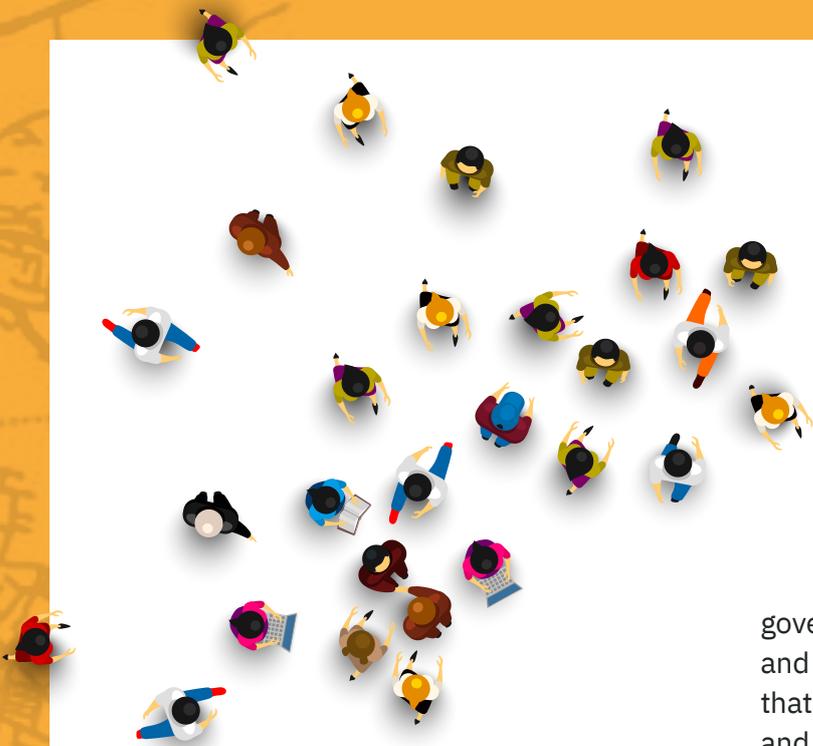
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Our purpose



The World Summit of Local and Regional Leaders and World Congress is the largest gathering of mayors, presidents of associations, local elected officers, and practitioners from around the world. Convened by United Cities and Local Governments (UCLG) and for the first-time hybrid, it also gathers critical partners and the international system driving forward the decision making of city and community life.

In 2022, we will embrace new possibilities to open up to audiences beyond the city of Daejeon, to be all together in every way we can while bringing in the Korean perspective on key issues of the international agenda.



Since our last World Summit in 2019, our reality has changed in unprecedented ways. In a world facing interconnected crises, local and regional governments have been at the forefront to mitigate the worst effects of the pandemic and the climate emergency to foster a sustainable, just and inclusive recovery grounded in caring for each other and for the planet. The global context continues to shed new light about the importance of local and regional governments in the construction of a culture of peace, opening pathways of dialogue and fostering local democracy and solidarity.

The triennial **UCLG World Summit and Congress** builds on the century-old origins of our organization as a movement driven by peace, solidarity and city diplomacy, and the pledge of the local and regional governments' constituency around the world. A pledge to safeguard the dreams and aspirations of our communities. A pledge to understand equality and care as the indispensable building blocks of any just, sustainable and thriving society. And a pledge to transform the relationship with nature through renewed forms of local

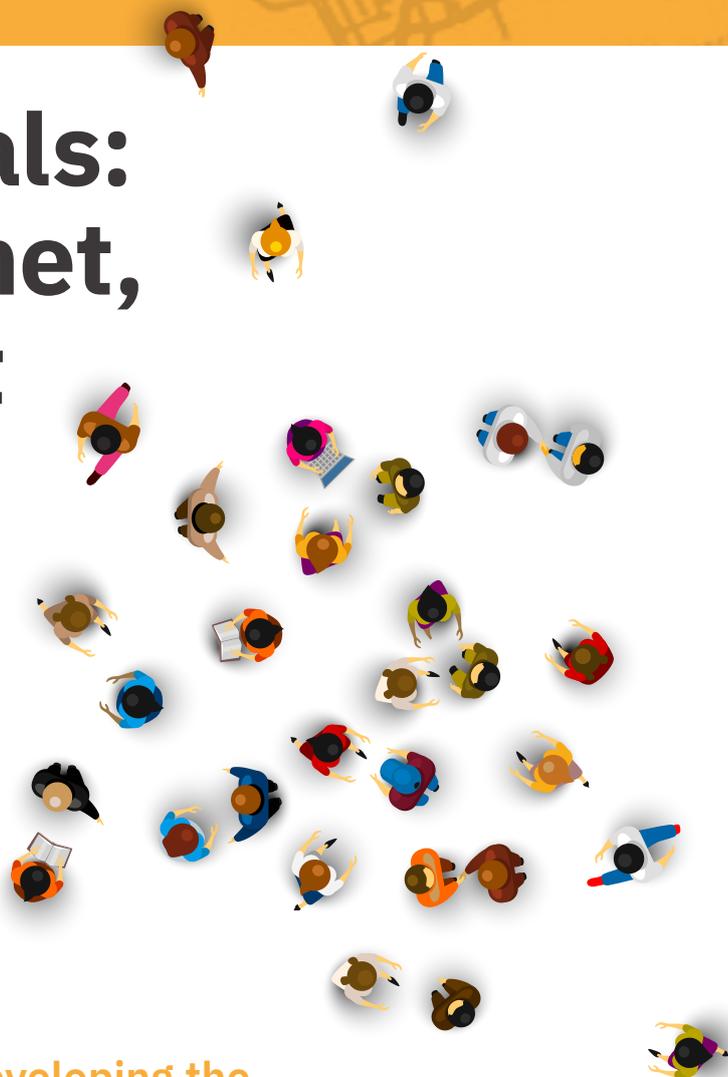
governance, based on strong accountability and the provision of new essential services that regenerates trust between government and people.

Aware that failing future generations is not an option, the municipal movement will gather under the motto **“Local and Regional Governments Breaking Through as One”**. The World Summit will bring local and international leaders together to meet a scenario of breakthrough.

To ensure we are fit for purpose to deliver **“Our Common Agenda”**, we are ready to break through as one by developing the Pact for the Future of Humanity, developed around three axes: People, Planet, and Government. The process of developing a **Pact for the Future** will have in Daejeon a landmark moment of deliberation and consultation towards defining the roadmap of the municipal movement and largely shaping the local and territorial contribution to the United Nations Summit of the Future.

In turn, the gathering in Daejeon will be a decisive moment to show the strength, diversity and decision-making capacity of the municipal movement to bolster a global governance system where the voices of our communities are listened to at all the relevant decision-making spaces.

The essentials: People, Planet, Government



The World Organization is developing the **Pact for the Future** of humanity based on three principles: people, planet, and government. The Pact will be the key outcome document of the 2022 World Congress in Daejeon and will define the Strategic Priorities for the Organization 2022 to 2028.

The axes will be the guiding force on the key themes that UCLG debates, advocates, researches and learns about. The Organization will push for the transformation of the social contract within the framework of the SDGs and through strengthened partnership with the international community, organized civil society through the Town Hall track and the inputs of local leaders and members through the Policy Councils and the Assembly Track.

A Feminist Era for Transformative Caring Policies

Local and regional governments (LRGs) are one of the main foundations of any peaceful and democratic society as they represent the level of government closest to the people. As the ultimate conveyors of the rights and aspirations of our communities, local and regional governments need to be at the forefront of a new way to do politics – one that contributes to fostering social justice and gender equality through the development of institutional frameworks, political leadership and innovative agendas founded on values of empathy, and dialogue and peace.

Feminist leadership of men and women alike embody these principles by putting the provision of care at the center of their action, prioritizing public goods responding to the needs of people, particularly of the most vulnerable among us, including by promoting an ecosystem of services that can protect communities during the worst times. **Caring towards communities and caregivers**, as the COVID-19 pandemic exposed the disproportionate impact of the crisis on women and girls. And caring as a conviction that health in our territories goes beyond healthcare, through the promotion of equal access to health services and universal vaccination, the involvement of LRGs, and an ecosystem of basic services that allow equal benefit and accessibility to safe, green public spaces that can sustain health services.

We must advocate for an open, healthy, and liveable environment for a humane sense of our cities and territories, resizing contemporary life, through more care, social life and proximity for all.

The World Summit needs to be the stage where the members of our constituency **seek guidance, share knowledge, and learn from each other** to ensure that the dreams and aspirations of our communities around the world are listened to and conveyed. To promote cities and territories that are just, sustainable and equitable, for **a world of peace, justice and solidarity**.



In the spirit of our origins and building on the legacy of our movement, the role of our constituency across all areas of local governance in fostering peace and human rights protection and in the context of humanitarian emergencies will be central throughout our World Summit. The challenges of the coming years put to the test our shared values and principles, and call on us to rise to the task of being instrumental in the construction of sustainable peace founded on dialogue, the respect of international agreements, and the invigoration of a renewed form of networked multilateralism.

The commitment of local and regional governments to ensure the protection of **human rights, memory, dignity, diversity, and equal opportunities** must also aspire to develop a notion of citizenship that acknowledges all communities as neighbors and, as such, as right holders and community contributors. A notion that transforms the role and management of migration and displacement with a view to overcome border-centered approaches.

The construction of peaceful, inclusive and sustainable environments where all the members of our communities can thrive further commands us to continue galvanizing the role of culture as the fourth pillar of sustainable development and a core component of local and regional identity.

A strand of global solidarity, a vector for the main challenges of our time that protects communitary memory, heritage, creativity, diversity and knowledge. The need to bridge the digital divide is, in that sense, more crucial than ever.

Building on the **Universal Declaration of Human Rights**, the **Universal Declaration of the Rights of Humankind**, and our work on the right to the city, the World Summit must allow our constituency to find ways to continue protecting the fundamental rights at the origins of our movement while assessing new rights and new essentials. In the process of renewal of the **Global Charter-Agenda for Human Rights in the City** in its 10th anniversary, we must strive to promote in our cities and territories a form of development that is peaceful, sustainable, equitable, inclusive, and respectful of human rights for all, without discrimination.



Local and Regional Action at the Heart of the Ecological Transformation

As the world transforms its relationship with nature in unprecedented ways, local and regional governments (LRGs) must be at the forefront to promote a new view for our common future that seeks to transform the way how we relate to our environment.

Local and regional governments must embody a vision that goes beyond obtaining the resources that we need from nature and protects its biodiversity, its oceans, its air, and its land and subsoil as the complex web of life it is, with its boundaries, understanding that healthy ecosystems are key to human wellbeing and the basis for sustainable and fair economies.

A vision committed to action, to define and deliver on ever-ambitious commitments that address the climate emergency while **connecting the planetarian and social dimensions of the ecological crisis**. A vision that transcends the business as usual in the transition towards zero carbon and

local resilience and advocates for a radical change. And a vision that conceives these measures both from an emergency and a long-term perspective. To reinvigorate the economy through sustainable, inclusive, and environmentally-aware models of production and consumption once we enter the recovery phase, and foster a fair and equal distribution of the benefits of climate action and resilience building.

The World Summit will inspire local and regional leaders to advance towards the achievement of a **full ecological transformation that addresses the major challenges across the globe**. It will do so through presenting concrete cases and sharing experiences, but most importantly through allowing the local and regional government constituency to strategize on what our sphere of government can deliver to bring about change at the global level. **To transform our relationship with the ecosystem** by becoming a movement of mayors not only of our communities, but also of our territories and of nature.



Renewing Local Democracy as the backbone of “Our Common Agenda”

Local and regional governments through collective action, shared ownership and co-creation, need to be the building blocks of prosperous, sustainable, and creative societies that can thrive in peaceful and enabling environments. In an increasingly urbanized world, facing unequal and unsustainable patterns of development, our constituency needs to champion a way of governance that redefines governing in partnership, placing ordinary citizens and communities at the core of decision-making mechanisms and embracing their role and responsibility to promote a more equitable and sustainable quality of life for all.

Our democracies live in a time of political polarization and worsening cultural division, notably in the digital sphere, and such a state of mind extends to mainstream institutions and the official truth that they represent. As misinformation expands, so does mistrust towards elected officers and governments.

And yet, to address many of these issues, local and regional governments are in a unique position – that of **proximity**. The World Summit needs to be the stage where local and regional governments, together, learn from each other to ensure that communities around the world regain trust in their institutions, build cohesion and ownership at the community level, and spur on local engagement in public life. By redoubling efforts around transparency, open government and accountability, promoting the provision of care through strengthened public services, and putting our communities at the core of decision-making mechanisms.

In a global context of growingly interconnected crises and emergencies, local and regional governments need to focus on **social justice and empathy in the recovery**, promoting models of decentralized and city-to-city cooperation for development, and on **mobilizing adequate resources and access to finance** as a precondition to accelerate the achievement of the global agendas, towards the realization of a multilateral system where our constituency is fully present at the decision-making tables.

Through enhanced local democracy and local governance as the foundations from which propping up the next generation of multilateralism based on **multilevel governance and effective decentralization**.



Tracks to enhance the power of our movement

Statutory Track

We Meet



This is our beating heart, where decisions are called and where the policies that will shape the future of the World Organization take shape. The Statutory track is where magic happens.

The track comprises the meetings of the governing bodies of the **World Organization of United Cities and Local Governments**. They gather to determine our policies and workplan and lead the charge for the renewal of the UCLG Leadership.

This includes the **Financial Management Committee**, which advises the Treasury and Executive Bureau on financial matters, including on the preparation and execution of the budget. It also comprises the **Committee on Statutory Affairs** is in charge of reviewing any issues concerning the institutional work of the Organization. It also oversees the electoral process every three years.

The Executive Bureau is one of UCLG's Governing Bodies. Composed of 116 members, it is responsible for initiating proposals and carrying out the decisions of the World Council. In particular, it is in charge of the World Organization's administrative and financial management. It also prepares the ground for the content of the meetings of the World Council and the General Assembly.

The General Assembly (not to be confused with the World Assembly of LRGs) gathers all members of UCLG. It has the responsibility for the overall policy, direction and oversight of the World Organization. It receives the report of activities submitted to the World Council and adopts any revisions to the Constitution. Every three years, during the Congress, it appoints the World Council resulting from an electoral process led by the Sections of UCLG throughout the year of the Congress.

The World Council is the main policy and decision-making body of the World Organization. Composed of 342 members, it decides the Organization's policies and adopts the work plan. On the occasion of the Congress, the World Council is the body that elects the UCLG Presidency. ●

#UCLGMeets

Assembly Track

We Advocate



UCLG Sections as well as sister organizations will hold consultations with their own membership to develop position papers to be presented during the Assembly sittings in the framework of the World Summit of Local and Regional Leaders. Local and regional government representatives are the key drivers.

This is the the space for **UCLG Sections** and continental groups to define their policy-making priorities, align them with the overall work of the World Organization, and ensure that the policy process is truly bottom-up, for the people and by the people.

The UCLG Sections, which are driven by local and regional governments with specific policy focuses, contribute with their thematic priorities throughout the process, developing links with the regional priorities. Through the Assembly Track, **UCLG Sections as well as sister organizations will hold consultations** with their own membership to develop position papers to be presented during the Assembly sittings in the framework of the World Summit of Local and Regional Leaders.

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The political priorities included in the **Assembly Position Papers**, as well as the Assembly sittings in Daejeon, will form a compendium of policy inputs that the newly elected **UCLG Presidency** will receive to build the **Pact for the Future**. The compendium of policy recommendations will be used as inputs to the World Organization 2023 work programme and renewal of the strategic priorities from 2022 onwards. The outcomes of the Daejeon World Summit and Congress are set to inspire an entire decade of local action. ●

#Listen2Cities



Town Hall Track

We Listen



The Town Hall embodies the #CitiesAreListening experience of UCLG. The internationally organized civil society and the local and regional governments' constituency meet, dialogue, and co-create for a better shared future.

The Town Hall Track takes shape in the form of a process of continued **structured dialogue between the local and regional government constituency and civil society** with the ultimate goal of informing the policy of the World Organization of UCLG and the overall global policy processes.

The 2022 Town Hall strengthens this structured dialogue with the presence of international partners and three cross-cutting caucuses – **Youth, Feminism and Accessibility** –, ensuring that, throughout all Town Hall deliberations, these cross-cutting issues are present to ensure no one and no place is left behind.

Led by partner organizations such as the Global Platform for the Right to the City, the General Assembly of Partners, Cities Alliance and the Climate Heritage Network, the topics of the Town Hall cover ways to rethink the **Global Commons, Trust and Government, Caring Systems and Climate and Culture.**

The Town Hall culminates in a corpus of integrated policy recommendations, in the form of policy papers, resulting from each of the Town Halls. These recommendations are a sign of the transformation of our movement to include all stakeholders in the decision-making process and to showcase how cities are listening to deliver a pact for the future. ●



#CitiesAreListening

Local4Action Track

We Act



The Local4Action Track will be the space where everybody feels at home so innovation and creativity can flourish out of shared inspiration!

It will provide the diverse formats to engage with the diverse elements that compose the ecosystem of the local and regional governments constituency. Organized around the axes of people, planet and government, the following formats are proposed – make your choice!



- **Local inspiration to the world**
Come and see what's happening at the local level

Unfolding the processes and experiences of creation and co-creation of policy making in the city, implicating all levels of governance and actors of the urban sustainable development will compose this format (Open to UCLG members, national government, partners of UCLG, constituency members, UCLG mechanisms of consultation and partners).

- **Global Conversations**
A seat at the Global table!

Ongoing Global Conversations that integrates the current trends and global challenges will be at the heart of this format, implicating the Global Task Force, Stakeholders, Global Partnerships and High-Level exchanges, opening the Dialogue between life at local level and the global Conversation that impacts citizens' life (Open to Global Task Force constituency, Global Institutional Partners, Stakeholders).

- **Labs**
Interact and learn

This format will be dedicated to interactive sessions for training and specific workshops, with a larger duration (Open to UCLG members, national government partners of UCLG, constituency members).

#Local4Action

Action Spaces

As part of the Local4Action Track, the **Networking Sessions HUB** sessions will be a window into the processes that move the World Organization. Through a series of innovative in-person sessions, it will allow members of our constituency, the sections of UCLG, and partners, to lead and engage with sessions to get closer to what UCLG is, what UCLG dreams of, and what UCLG does to get there.

The Networking Hub, both celebratory and insightful, will be a platform to showcase, listen to, and deepen into our initiatives and policy priorities, our vision and our values. It will take both the perspective of the World Organization and the space for partners and sections to share their angle or present projects they lead in collaboration with UCLG.

In turn, the **Learning Forum** will assess the state of learning within the network and formulate recommendations around key elements of the UCLG Learning Strategy to disseminate our work around localization with local and regional governments associations, bringing localization to life by developing new methodologies to train trainers, developing on-line tools and helping to enhance local governments policies and public services.

The World Congress will further be the stage for the launch of the 6th Edition of the Report of the Global Observatory on Decentralization and Local Democracy (GOLD VI Report), named “Pathways to Urban and Territorial Equality: Addressing inequalities through local transformation strategies.” It will also gather the first **Research Forum**, which will take stock of the progress made with regards to research on urban and territorial issues and reflect on the research needs and aspirations of the UCLG network and partners, exploring synergies with the Pact for the Future.

UCLG TV will be a central element of the Action Spaces, and where audiovisual materials will take over to showcase what UCLG and its partners have been working on, and how do they see the role of local and regional governments in shaping an inclusive and sustainable future. You can expect exclusive podcast series, short documentaries, insightful interviews and engaging video explainers.

Daejeon Track



As the world is currently facing numerous major interconnected challenges, the joint response at the regional and local levels has never been more imperative. **As changes grow in speed, scope and complexity, taking place both at the local and global level, they need to be addressed through integrated and multilevel approaches that bring our collective knowledge together.**

As the science and research capital in Korea, Daejeon has addressed these challenges by harnessing the science and technology developed by Innopolis Daedeok for nearly 50 years since its foundation in 1973.

As such, and in the framework of the 2022 World Summit of Local and Regional Leaders - UCLG Congress, **Daejeon is offering a specific space under the name of Daejeon Track, to see and share the Korean and city perspective on key issues of the international agenda, such as sustainable development, innovation, science and technology, and peace.** This track will encourage the participation of all stakeholders to identify problems, explore solutions and ultimately see them reflected into viable policies.

In coordination with international partners and academia, the Daejeon Track will explore four themes around the role of Science and Technology: **Science and Cities, People and**

Science, Environment and Science, and Public Administration and Science.

Science and Cities will explore the interaction between urban innovation and new technologies, the role of science and technology in the future of cities, and how to build global collaborations to promote urban sustainability.

People and Science will focus on leading discussions on policies that, through the use of science and technology, can improve the quality of “individual life” at all stages of the life cycle.

Environment and Science will observe how science and technology can be developed and used to overcome various environmental risk factors.

And finally, the **Public Administration and Science** will delve into discussions on decentralization and administrative innovation. It will assess ways to expand the powers and strengthen the capacities of local governments needed to promote sustainable and people-centered cities.

We invite all interested people to participate in the Daejeon Track to view, share and contribute to discussions on global challenges, from a unique perspective that fosters local solutions from the point of view of Daejeon City and its partners. ●

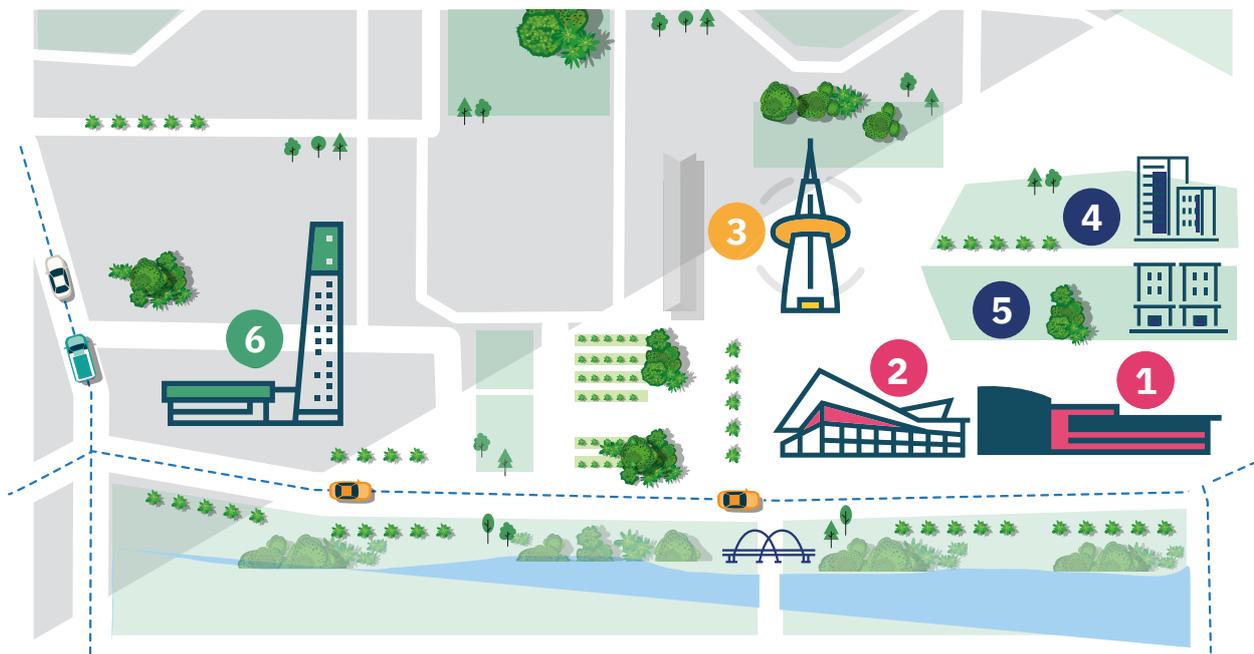


Welcome to Daejeon

The 2022 World Summit and Congress takes place in Daejeon, the central city of Korea and a municipality where culture and arts flourish thanks to a combination of tradition and modernity. This mixed nature, combined with its leading science and technology industry and the quality of its public services and the vibrant presence of nature within and surrounding

the city, makes Daejeon an exciting and all-encompassing experience.

Daejeon emerged as the central pole of Science and Technology of Korea in the 1970s with the opening of KAIST University. Today, it is home for cutting-edge Science and Technology industries, including many major public and private R&D institutes, and has played a crucial role in Korea's economic growth. This eminent role was celebrated in 1993, when Daejeon hosted the World Science Expo. Nearly 30 years later, we won to present the leadership of our city in this field during the 2022 UCLG World Congress.



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Networking Hub

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Opening/ Closing
Ceremony
Welcome/ Farewell
Dinner
SmartCityShow

3 Daejeon Expo Science Park

4 Hotel ICC

5 Lotte City Hotel

6 SHINSEGAE Arts & Science



Daejeon has beautiful natural scenery surrounded by three major rivers, Lake Daecheong, and mountains. Water supply, sewage treatment and housing supply rates have reached nearly 100%, and public services that are important for residents' quality of life, such as cultural facilities, parks and intelligent transportation systems. It is also an environmentally friendly city where more than 70% of waste is recycled.

Official and Special Events

Also as part of the official program, the Daejeon Track will feature a series of special events to show the hospitality of the Municipality of Daejeon with an opening ceremony and a welcome dinner, and showcase avantguard expressions of Korean culture with K-pop concert.

Daejeon Festival

All along the UCLG Congress, from 10 to 14 October the city of Daejeon will host a Welcome Festival that will include an international beer and wine fair, a food court and a flea market, as well as a bread festival, a night show of fireworks, a special performance at the Music Fountain, and a media façade showcasing the vision of Daejeon as the Science City.

Discovering Daejeon

Beyond the sessions part of the official program of the Congress, Daejeon also provides enlightening activities and side events to explore how the city has forged its identity and looks at the future. These events will include an industry-related tour that will bring participants to the Daejeon's Research Institute and will explore the future of its leading industry sector; a city tour to explore the history, traditions and modern culture of Daejeon, as well as a green tour around the Lake Daecheong (the third largest lake in Korea), or a visit to O-World, a science theme park featuring state of the art attractions; and individual tours around the city that will bring participants to Hanbat Arboretum, which is the largest urban arboretum in Korea, the National Science Museum, Yurim Park, where chrysanthemums will bloom to welcome autumn, the Daejeon Art & Culture Complex, or the Dunsan Commercial Area.

We invite you to consult the separate special brochure containing further information on the different activities described above. ●

Registration



Registration period and fees

Please visit the official website to register for the 2022 Daejeon UCLG World Congress and find more detailed information about the process and fees <https://daejeon2022.uclg.org/>

*Early bird registration ends on **August 31st***



Visa Issuance

If you are entering the Republic of Korea from abroad to attend the 2022 Daejeon UCLG Congress, you will need a valid passport and Korean visa issued by Korean embassy or consulate for some countries.

Please make sure you have the appropriate information before departure, depending on your itinerary and nationality.

- Citizens of countries that have signed a visa waiver agreement with the Republic of Korea (66 countries) and countries/ regions where visa-free entry is permitted (46 countries) can get travel permits online through the Korea Electronic Travel Authorization (KOREA Electronic Travel Authorization).

You can check the list of the countries for which K-ETA has been applied for on the website <https://www.k-eta.go.kr/>



Reservation for Accommodation

Participants who have completed the online registration for the 2022 Daejeon UCLG Congress can reserve the official hotel at a discounted rate. (The room rate will be provided when making the reservation through this website and will not change until

September 30, 2022.) After the reservation is made, we will check the reservation details and send an email with the payment request. Payment will be made after confirmation of the final reservation details. Once the payment is made or the transfer details are confirmed, a confirmation email of the accommodation will be sent to the applicant and the reservation is completed.

- You can find a list of hotels in the area of the Congress venue on our website



Transportation & Information

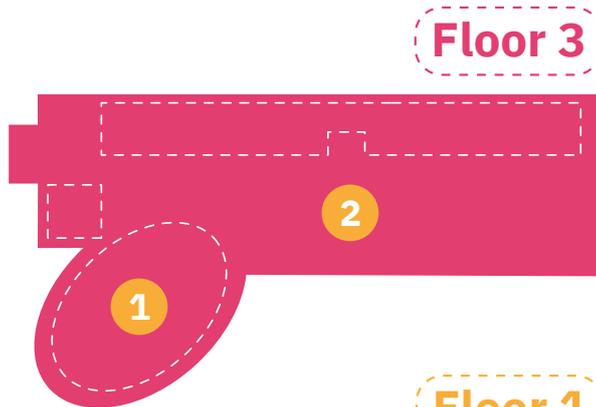
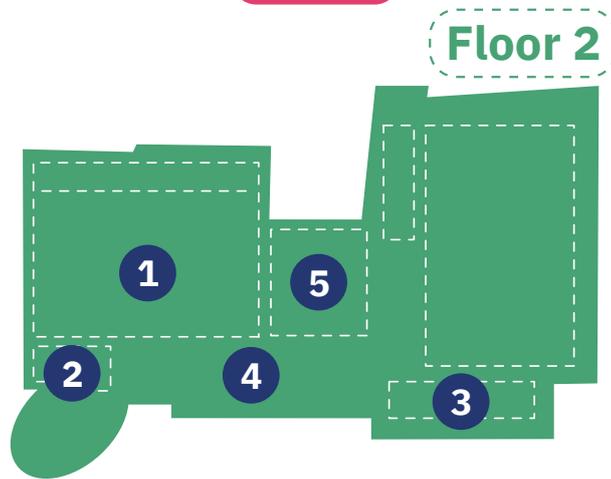
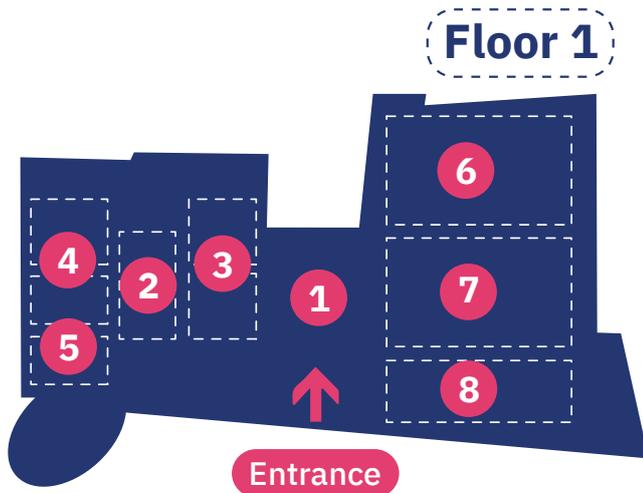
A desk at Incheon International Airport will provide information on the different transportation options to get to Daejeon.

For more information on schedule, fees, ticket purchase and boarding point for each transportation, please check our website.

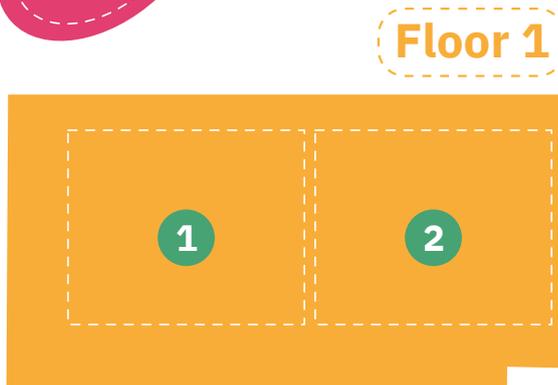


Venue map

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- 1 Agora
- 2 Networking HUB
- 3 Local4Action Track and UCLG ASPAC Committees
- 4 Daejeon Track and UCLG ASPAC Committees
- 5 Press Room
- 6 Offices
- 7 Urban Exhibition
- 8 Statutory Track and UCLG ASPAC Committees

- 1 Grand Ballroom: Statutory Track and Plenaries
- 2 Statutory Room
- 3 Local4Action Track
- 4 Exhibition Space Floor 2
- 5 Terrace

- 1 Conference Hall (Assembly, Local4Action, Daejeon Track)
- 2 Exhibition Space Floor 3
- 1 Exhibition Hall 1: Opening/closing Ceremony, Welcome/Farewell Dinner
- 2 Exhibition Hall 2: SmartCity Show

Daejeon Convention Centers



An aerial view of a group of diverse people icons, each holding a laptop or tablet, scattered across a light orange background with faint map lines. The icons are in various colors and orientations, representing a global and multicultural group.

Still have questions about the UCLG World Summit, or have an idea you'd like to share? Please feel free to reach out to our coordination team with any inputs, comments, questions or concerns: daejeon2022@uclg.org

You may also visit our website for more in depth information, and for the most recent updates: www.daejeon2022.uclg.org