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FOREWORD



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Chairperson, World Cities Summit Mayors Forum 2014

Welcome to the 5th annual World Cities Summit (WCS) Mayors Forum in Singapore.

Since its inauguration here in 2010, the WCS Mayors Forum has indeed become one of the largest and most important gatherings of the world's city leaders, where real solutions to pressing urban challenges are exchanged. Today, we welcome over 130 mayors and city leaders from over 50 countries, as well as leaders of international organisations, industry and other thought leaders. Rewarding exchanges and partnerships are at the heart of this forum.

Continuing from the discussion we had in Bilbao last year, where we staged the forum away from Singapore for the first time, the Forum theme of "Liveable and Sustainable Cities: Common Challenges, Shared Solutions" will further consolidate the key points we gathered and hopefully catalyse some solutions today. Topical Roundtables will form the core of the Forum where city leaders share their insights with a case study on one of six themes — promoting a vibrant city life, managing water and waste, driving investments, balancing stakeholder interests, fostering good governance and developing intelligent cities.



LIVEABLE AND SUSTAINABLE CITIES

Besides the sharing by mayors today, leaders at the Singapore Sustainability Symposium and WCS Young Leaders Symposium will also share provocative solutions and new scenarios to enhance urban liveability and sustainability.

The WCS Mayors Forum 2014 is timely. The UN Open Working Group is deliberating to adopt an urban-focused Sustainable Development Goal (SDG), "Sustainable Cities and Human Settlements", to ensure cities receive appropriate attention at the national and global levels. I thank you for supporting the letter to the Working Group on the adoption of this SDG. At the end of our Forum, UN-HABITAT Deputy Executive Director Dr Aisa Kacyira Kirabo will also deliver a presentation on the importance of such an SDG.

As this is the 5th edition, I also acknowledge and thank the mayors and city leaders who have been with us since 2010—Kuching South Council and Makassar. Let us continue to maintain this exclusive network of thought leadership and may this Mayors Forum continue to be platform where we meet every year.

Finally, we will announce some exciting news today about the next World Cities Summit Mayors Forum in 2015. In the meantime, I wish you an enriching stay in Singapore.

ABOUT WORLD CITIES SUMMIT

The biennial World Cities Summit is the exclusive and premier platform for government leaders and industry experts to address liveable and sustainable city challenges, share integrated urban solutions and forge new partnerships. The Summit is jointly organised by Singapore's Centre for Liveable Cities (CLC), and the Urban Redevelopment Authority (URA)



The unifying theme for the Summit, "*Liveable and Sustainable Cities: Common Challenges, Shared Solutions*", will build on the discussions at World Cities Summit Mayors Forum 2013. Cities will examine the state of urban challenges today and identify principles of shared solutions applicable to cities spanning the range of development, socio-economic and political contexts. The theme aims to unify all elements of the programme and stimulate ideas and discussion towards the objective of finding practical, implementable solutions as an outcome of the summit of leaders.

The Summit will be anchored by the following key components:

- World Cities Summit Mayors Forum
- Lee Kuan Yew World City Prize Lecture & Forum
- World Cities Summit Young Leaders
- Plenary Sessions
- Thematic Tracks
- In-Focus Forums
- Site Visits

Held concurrently with **World Cities Summit** 2014 are the **Singapore International Water Week** and **CleanEnviro Summit Singapore**, providing an integrated global platform for government and industry leaders to share solutions for sustainable urban development and the latest innovations in water and clean environment solutions. The co-location of the three events will enable exhibitors and participants to explore synergies, network and forge partnerships with a wider range of global industry leaders, policymakers and experts.



WORLD CITIES SUMMIT MAYORS FORUM

The World Cities Summit Mayors Forum was initiated by Singapore in 2010 as a response to the urgent need for cities to come together to address pressing urban challenges. It has since become one of the biggest and most important platforms for mayors and city leaders to generate new insights, ideas and solutions that can be applied to many cities.

The Forum is an annual by-invitation global event for city leaders to discuss urban issues and share best practices with one another. This peer-to-peer platform invites mayors and senior leaders from international organisations and the industry to exchange experiences in developing integrated urban solutions, building economic and environmental resilience, engaging with communities and sustaining a high quality of life in urban regions.

The 2014 Forum will continue from the discussion of the 2013 Forum, focusing on the urban challenges identified by mayors as the most critical and urgent to be discussed and tackled together.

MAYORS AND CITY LEADERS WILL ENGAGE ROUNDTABLE DISCUSSIONS ON:

01: HIGH QUALITY OF LIFE: A VIBRANT CITY LIFE

02: SUSTAINABLE ENVIRONMENT: WATER & WASTE MANAGEMENT

03: COMPETITIVE ECONOMY: DRIVING INVESTMENTS

04: INTEGRATED LONG-TERM PLANNING: BALANCING STAKEHOLDER INTERESTS

05: DYNAMIC URBAN GOVERNANCE: FOSTERING GOOD GOVERNANCE

06: INTELLIGENT CITIES

LEE KUAN YEW WORLD CITY PRIZE



LEE KUAN YEW WORLD CITY PRIZE

A highlight of World Cities Summit, the Lee Kuan Yew World City Prize is a biennial international award that honours outstanding achievements and contributions to the creation of liveable, vibrant and sustainable urban communities around the world.

The Prize seeks to recognise cities and their key leaders and organisations for displaying foresight, good governance and innovation in tackling the many urban challenges faced, to bring about social, economic and environmental benefits in a holistic way to their communities.

To facilitate the sharing of best practices in urban solutions that are easily replicable across cities, the Prize will place an emphasis on practical and cost effective solutions and ideas, for the benefit of cities around the world. Through this Prize, Singapore hopes to promote exemplary thought-leadership and exchange of ideas among cities, so as to spur further innovation in the area of sustainable urban development.

The Prize is named after Singapore's first prime minister, Lee Kuan Yew. Mr Lee was instrumental in developing Singapore into a distinctive, clean and green garden city in a short span of a few decades. Under his leadership, the adoption of strategic land use, transport and environmental policies and programmes have helped Singapore to develop into a liveable city with a high quality living environment, in tandem with rapid economic growth.

The Prize Laureate will be presented with an award certificate, a gold medallion and a cash prize of S$300,000, sponsored by Keppel Corporation.

Delegates can expect to gain insights from the 2014 Prize Laureate, Suzhou City, China, and cities receiving Special Mentions — Medellín, Colombia, and Yokohama, Japan — at the Lee Kuan Yew World City Prize Lecture and Forum. Past Laureates include Bilbao, Spain (2010) and New York City, USA (2012).

Nominations for the 2016 Prize will open on 2 June 2014.

www.leekuanyewworldcityprize.com.sg

WORLD CITIES SUMMIT MAYORS FORUM 2013, BILBAO, SPAIN

From 13 to 15 June 2013, 56 mayors, governors and other top city leaders from around the globe gathered in Bilbao, Spain, to attend the fourth annual World Cities Summit Mayors Forum.

The event was organised with the theme "Liveable and Sustainable Cities: Common Challenges, Shared Solutions". The Forum's Chairman, Singapore's Minister for National Development Khaw Boon Wan, stressed the importance of this theme in his opening address: "Solutions which are effective in one city cannot be simply replicated in another, but the sharing of best practices can shorten the learning curve and help cut down costs from missteps and wrong turns... A wise leader learns from the best and avoids making the other's mistakes."

Discussions at the Forum centred on leadership challenges and best practices. Individual city case studies were shared at two plenary presentations, on "Common Challenges" and "Shared Solutions". Case studies featured Bilbao, Cape Town, Fukuoka City, Guadalajara and Suzhou.

In addition, four thematic discussion sessions were organised according to themes drawn from the "CLC Liveability Framework".

- Integrated Planning & Dynamic Governance
- Building a Competitive Economy
- Ensuring a Sustainable Environment
- Achieving a High Quality of Life

The World Cities Summit Mayors Forum 2013 advocated strong city leadership in the rapidly urbanising world. First, it was acknowledged that leaders needed to align



the work of their governments with drivers of positive change. Second, leaders must mobilise resources such as people, space and finances as well as national governments, around a vision of successful cities in a flourishing world. Third, leaders have to address problems of corruption, dysfunctional governance and crime, which blight cities. These points underlined the case for strong city leadership.

The Forum also identified the means for city leadership to succeed. First, new approaches to city planning are needed to manage urbanisation and urban regeneration. Second, new financial models should allow value to be captured within city governance, and used for the good of the citizens, rather than externalised solely in business balance sheets. Third was to engender "place-making", to distinguish places and make them more appealing, in order to help attract mobile talents, visitors and investments, since physical places are the only parts of our world that are not mobile. Fourth, innovative systems and institutions can make cities more flexible and adaptable. Lastly, a new social contract between city government and citizens, based on mutual trust and confidence, could help cities motivate change in citizen behaviour to produce better social and environmental outcomes.

Cities will succeed when citizens and leaders have a strong relationship of inter-reliance. This final point was highlighted by the Forum's Guest of Honour, His Royal Highness the Prince of Asturias, in his closing address: "To achieve liveable and sustainable cities, we need to involve the local community. They are the key shapers of our cities. We must discuss the different models and common denominations that can bring public administration closer to citizens."

S3: SINGAPORE SUSTAINABILITY SYMPOSIUM 2013

PROSPERITY WITHIN GLOBAL LIMITS

Singapore's Nanyang Technological University organised the Singapore Sustainability Symposium (S3) in January 2014 as an international platform for sustainability research and solutions. Themed "Prosperity within Global Limits: How to Create Dynamic and Prosperous Societies within Planetary Boundaries", S3 focused on urban challenges.

In support of the World Cities Summit Mayors Forum 2014, key points from S3 have been summarised to provide city leaders with ideas for deliberation.

Key highlights from S3:

1. CITIES MATTER! URBANISATION IS A GLOBAL PHENOMENON

The increasing scale and complexity of urbanisation has to be examined and understood. Leaders, planners, and inhabitants of cities will benefit from opportunities to discuss common challenges and develop new solutions.

2. CITIES ARE OUR BEST FUTURE!

While sustainability challenges of cities are significant, urban areas also hold the key to achieving many global sustainability goals. The sustainability investments we make now in cities will therefore impact the future many times over.

3. MORE CITY DESIGN, LESS CITY PLANNING

Sustainability is multivariable and multidisciplinary. Cities should focus more on city design, by considering many variables and their interconnections, and less on optimising single variables.

www.sustainapore.sg/events/s3.html

4. THINK REGIONALLY!

Sustainable urbanisation should extend to broader relationships beyond cities. Cities should work collaboratively within their regional networks to account for resource use and degradation, regardless of the place of production or consumption.

5. BEING GLOBALLY MINDFUL

A greater awareness of environmental impacts and future outcomes will help Mayors make better decisions today to keep their cities prosperous, healthy and resilient long into the future.

6. MEASURING AND QUANTIFYING THE ECOLOGICAL FOOTPRINTS OF CITIES

Management and measurement systems for energy use and water consumption first require reliable baselines. That and a life cycle analysis for the importation and disposal of materials are the first steps to further reduce resource consumption.

7. MORE EDUCATION, BETTER EDUCATION, APPLIED EDUCATION

Education in sustainability is an influence that is felt at all levels: from primary education to provide a strong foundation in the principles of sustainability; to case studies and tools in executive education for policymakers and business leaders; to multidisciplinary graduate programmes in sustainability science or business.

8. CITIES, TECHNOLOGY AND INNOVATION

Technology and innovation will continue to be an important part of overall sustainability strategies, from engineering and product development to management structures and entrepreneurship — and cities are ideal test-beds for implementing or experimenting with new solutions.

9. CITY FINANCING AND INVESTMENT FOR SUSTAINABILITY

Aligning or reforming the sources, timing and forms of city finance with long-run city sustainable development goals would support the implementation of high impact solutions. Possibilities include: standardisation of project investment criteria; better matching of debt instruments and maturities to project scope and scale; political recognition and legitimation for long-run sustainability planning, etc.

10. GETTING THE PUBLIC AND PRIVATE SECTORS INVOLVED

It is essential to involve citizens as well as corporations in a city's sustainable development efforts. These stakeholders have different roles to play, and may require different incentives or tools to understand how they can contribute.

ROUNDTABLE DISCUSSIONS

The following questions guide the sharing of case studies at the Topical Roundtables and Plenary Discussion:

01/HIGH QUALITY OF LIFE: A VIBRANT CITY LIFE

What are the different liveability needs of distinctive groups of citizens and what are the common needs that city leaders have to respond to? In your city, how have initiatives to improve liveability succeeded and what outcomes have they achieved? How can social integration and a stronger community fabric be woven and promoted? Overall, what are the common challenges and the shared solutions that city leaders need to understand and promote?

02/SUSTAINABLE ENVIRONMENT: WATER & WASTE MANAGEMENT

What are the most effective means to manage and support the digestive system (metabolism) of the city? What supporting structures do city leaders need to foster? In your city, how have initiatives to improve sustainable environment succeeded and what outcomes have they achieved? Overall, what are the common challenges and the shared solutions that city leaders need to understand and promote?

03/COMPETITIVE ECONOMY: DRIVING INVESTMENTS

What are the key ingredients of the economic eco-system that city leaders need to nurture? Does your city have initiatives to improve the investment rate and what outcomes have they achieved? How can cities work with other cities in the region for a more coherent investment strategy? Overall, what are the common challenges and the shared solutions that city leaders need to understand and promote?

04/ INTEGRATED LONG-TERM PLANNING: BALANCING STAKEHOLDER INTERESTS

What are the key drivers of the future of cities that city leaders need to understand and plan for? How can key stakeholder groups work in a collaborative way towards common goals? In your city, how have initiatives to improve long-term planning succeeded and what outcomes have they achieved? Overall, what are the common challenges and the shared solutions that city leaders need to understand and promote?

05/ DYNAMIC URBAN GOVERNANCE: FOSTERING GOOD GOVERNANCE

What are the key ingredients of dynamic urban governance that city leaders need to foster? In your city, how have initiatives to streamline bureaucracy and introduce checks and balances succeeded and what is the role of city leaders? How can citizens be empowered as stakeholders to have active oversight of governance processes in cities? Overall, what are the common challenges and the shared solutions in transparent decision-making that city leaders need to understand and promote?

06/ INTELLIGENT CITIES

What are the key aspects of becoming an intelligent city that city leaders need to foster? How have initiatives to improve the efficiency of city systems succeeded and what outcomes have they achieved? How can cities be more intelligent, in the use of resources, sharing of information, and empowering of different stakeholders to act in the interest of broader sustainable development outcomes? Overall, what are the common challenges and the shared solutions that city leaders need to understand and promote?

FORUM FORMAT



01/BREAKOUT TOPICAL ROUNDTABLES

Topic Discussion Chairpersons will moderate the roundtable discussions. The roundtables form the central and most participatory component of the Forum, where city leaders are invited to contribute a case study relevant to one of the topics. Each city leader will share a short case study from their city or organisation's experience at their respective roundtables.

02/PLENARY DISCUSSION

This session rounds off the forum, and is intended for city leaders to discuss a breadth of issues from a leadership perspective, including facilitating stakeholder collaborations and rallying of resources to enhance urban liveability and sustainability.

03/WORLD CITIES SUMMIT (WCS) YOUNG LEADERS

The WCS Young Leaders is an initiative of the WCS organisers, and aims to be an interest group for outstanding young leaders with an established leadership track record in the urban development and governance fields, to network and exchange knowledge with peers from diverse urban sectors and to shape the agenda of future World Cities Summits. Drawn together by the passion to take on the challenge of catalysing change in cities, they will also convene a discussion on the sidelines of the forum to brainstorm initiatives and work plans together.

PROGRAMME OUTLINE

TIME	PROGRAMME
08:00–08:30	**NETWORKING.** Coffee and tea will be served.
08:30–08:40	**OPENING** by the Chairman of the Forum — Senior Minister of State for Ministry of Trade and Industry and Ministry of National Development, Singapore, Mr Lee Yi Shyan
08:40–09:00	Introduction of WSCMF message, themes, format by Moderator Mr Greg Clark. Round of introductions of all city leaders present in the room
09:00–09:30	**PRESENTATIONS** **Towards the Creation of an Urban Eco-System** by the Mayor of Rotterdam, Mr Ahmed Aboutaleb **Governance for Inclusive, Dynamic Cities** by the Mayor of Mississauga, Her Worship Hazel McCallion **Community Parks** by the Vice Mayor of Zhuhai, Mr Pan Ming
09:30–09:35	**Key Takeaways from Singapore Sustainability Symposium** by Prof Alexander Zehnder
09:35–10:35	**Breakout Topical Roundtables:** **Common Challenges; Shared Solutions (60min)** *Case study sharing and discussion at separate topical roundtables.* *For City Leaders to "deep-dive" into issues of particular interest* Topics include 1 of 6 (see guiding questions): High Quality of Life: A Vibrant City Life, Sustainable Environment: Water & Waste Management, Competitive Economy: Driving Investments, Integrated Long-term Planning: Balancing Stakeholder Interests, Dynamic Urban Governance: Fostering Good Governance, Intelligent Cities 40min Case Study Sharing at each Roundtable: Discussion Chairperson will introduce the topic (4min), invite each participant in turn to share a brief case study and highlight one common challenge from their respective city contexts that is relevant to the topic (4min each, participants may refer to city background in City Portraits booklet)

	20min Discussion at each Roundtable: Discussion Chairperson will: – Summarise and highlight 3 common challenges (2min) – Invite participants to share one solution to common challenges identified that is potentially replicable. Participants to be brief and to the point (limit comments to 2min).
10:35–11:00	Networking Tea
11:00–11:30	**PRESENTATIONS** **Vibrant Cities** by the Mayor of Melbourne, The Right Honourable The Lord Mayor Robert Doyle **Gifu: The Land of Clear Waters** **—Community Development Honouring Our Precious Heritage** by the Governor of Gifu Prefecture, His Excellency Hajime Furuta **People-centric Intelligent Cities** by the Chairman of Metropolitan Manila Development Authority, Honorable Atty Francis N Tolentino
11:30–11:35	**WCS Young Leaders Presentation** Inaugural Young Leaders Symposium Outcomes, highlighting provocative solutions and potential new scenarios for urban liveability
11:35–12:35	**Plenary Discussion: Common Challenges; Shared Solutions (60min)** *This will be a moderated discussion involving all participants. For City Leaders to discuss a breadth of issues from a leadership perspective, including facilitating stakeholder collaborations and rallying of resources to enhance urban liveability and sustainability* The Moderator Mr Greg Clark will: – Invite some of the Table Discussion Chairpersons to share salient outcomes from the Topical Roundtables for each topic, highlighting one common challenge faced and one replicable solution – Moderate a discussion, inviting contributions from the floor, including responses and proposed innovations and local applications based on the solutions shared. – Summarise the forum takeaways
12:35–12:40	**Cities are Important: Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) Presentation** by Dr Aisa Kacyira Kirabo
12:40–12:50	**Closing Remarks** by the Chairman of the forum—Senior Minister of State for Ministry of Trade and Industry and Ministry of National Development, Singapore, Mr Lee Yi Shyan
12:50–12:55	**Introduction to Host City of WCS Mayors Forum 2015**
12:55–13:00	**Official Photo** (involving city leaders only)
13:30–14:30	**VVIP Lunch for Ministers and Mayors** Combined with 10th Asia Pacific Infrastructure Ministers Meeting (APIMM)
Evening	**WCS-SIWW-CESS Opening Ceremony & Welcome Reception** Guest of Honour: Prime Minister of Singapore, Mr Lee Hsien Loong

WHO'S WHO AT THE FORUM

FORUM CHAIRPERSON



MR LEE YI-SHYAN
Senior Minister of State (National Development of Singapore)

FORUM MODERATOR



MR GREG CLARK
Global Advisor on Cities

HIGH QUALITY OF LIFE: A VIBRANT CITY LIFE TOPIC DISCUSSION CHAIRPERSONS



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SUSTAINABLE ENVIRONMENT: WATER & WASTE MANAGEMENT TOPIC DISCUSSION CHAIRPERSONS



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MR ANAND CHIPLUNKAR
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INTEGRATED LONG-TERM PLANNING: BALANCING STAKEHOLDER INTERESTS TOPIC DISCUSSION CHAIRPERSONS



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***Accurate as of 21 May 2014**



NORTH AMERICA

CANADA
Mississauga
Saskatoon

USA
New York
San Francisco

LATIN AMERICA

BRAZIL
Fortaleza

COLOMBIA
Barranquilla
Bucaramanga
Cartagena
Medellín

MEXICO
Hidalgo

EUROPE

ESTONIA
Tallinn

HUNGARY
Budapest

POLAND
Krakow

ROMANIA
Municipality of Timisoara

BELGIUM
Antwerp

FRANCE
Nice

NETHERLANDS
Rotterdam

RUSSIA
Moscow

SPAIN
Bilbao
Malaga City Council

AFRICA

ALGERIA
Algiers
Zeralda

EGYPT
Cairo

MOROCCO
Marrakech
Rabat

RWANDA
Gasabo District
City of Kigali

SOUTH AFRICA
Cape Town

Tunisia
Tunis

MIDDLE EAST

IRAN
Tehran

JORDAN
Greater Amman Municipality

LEBANON
Beirut

OMAN
Dhofar Municipality
Muscat Municipality

SAUDI ARABIA
Almadinah Almunwwara
Al-Qassim Region
Eastern Province
Jeddah
Riyadh

UNITED ARAB EMIRATES
Abu Dhabi
City of Dubai

ASIA

CHINA
Beihai
Chengdu
Guangzhou
Suzhou
Sino-Singapore Tianjin Eco-city
Zhuhai

JAPAN
Arakawa City
Gifu Prefecture
Kakamigahara City
Koto City
Sapporo
Tajimi City
Toyama City

TAIWAN
Kaohsiung
New Taipei
Taipei

TAJIKISTAN
Dushanbe

BHUTAN
Thimpu

INDIA
Chennai

MALDIVES
Malé City

SRI LANKA
Matara
Sri Jayawardenapura Kotte Municipal Council

BRUNEI
Tutong Municipality

CAMBODIA
Phnom Penh Capital City

INDONESIA
Balikpapan
Bandung
Batam
Bintan
Jakarta
Kota Jambi
Makassar
Palu
Semarang
South Sumatra
Tangerang City

LAOS
Luang Prabang Province
Vientiane

MALAYSIA
Ipoh
City of Kuching North
Kuching City South
Penang
Putrajaya

SINGAPORE
Southeast District
Northwest District

THAILAND
Yala Province

VIETNAM
Binh Duong Province
Da Nang
Hai Duong City
Khanh Hoa Province
Ho Chi Minh City

PHILIPPINES
Angeles City
Bacolod City
Province of Bohol
City of Calapan
Caloocan City
City of Cebu
Iloilo City
Koronadal City
Metropolitan Manila
Marikina City
Muntinlupa
Parañaque
Pateros Municipality
Quezon City
City of Santa Rosa
Tacloban City
City of Taguig
Tarlac Province
Valenzuela City

OCEANIA

AUSTRALIA
City of Adelaide
Brisbane
City of Darwin
City of Hobart
Melbourne
The City of Parramatta
Perth
Sydney
Bondi junction, Waverley
Woollahra Municipal Council

NEW ZEALAND
Auckland
Wellington



ABU DHABI

united arab emirates

MR ABDULLA AHMED BALALAA
Planning Manager of Abu Dhabi Urban Planning Council

Mr. Balalaa is currently the Development Review Planning Manager at the Abu Dhabi Urban Planning Council. He is one of the pioneers who established the Urban Planning Council in 2008 after serving for six years as Head projects in the construction and security sector with the Abu Dhabi Police General Head Quarter.

He began his career at the Engineering projects Department at the Abu Dhabi Police General Head Quarter as Engineer Officer. After 8 years, he joined the team responsible of forming the Urban Planning Council in 2008 as an Associate.In 2010, he won the Planner of the Year award at the local level. In 2011, he was appointed as the Planning Department Manager of the Abu Dhabi Urban Planning Council

Mr. Balalaa is a graduate with honours in Urban & Regional Planning from Paris Sorbonne University, has an Applied Diploma in Leadership Management from Cambridge University and holds a Bachelor Degree in Applied Science Civil Engineering from the Higher Colleges of Technology.

ABOUT THE CITY



CITY'S PRIORITIES IN THE NEXT 5 YEARS

- **Integrated Long-term Planning: Balancing Stakeholder Interests**
- **High Quality of Life: A Vibrant City Life**
- **Sustainable Environment: Water & Waste Management**

TOTAL LAND AREA
972.45 KM²

POPULATION SIZE
2,300,000

POPULATION DENSITY
2,365 PER KM²

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CORNICHE BEACH PROJECT

The Corniche Beach Project is a long-term plan led by the government. It aims to rejuvenate and develop segments of the long 8km stretch of the beautified waterfront landscape by furnishing it with clusters of services and activities, in line with the vision of Plan Abu Dhabi 2030 and its guiding principles. The goal is to attract visitors and appeal to residents of the Corniche, introducing a high quality of services and recreational facilities, and providing a safe and liveable environment for the community of Abu Dhabi.

Part of the Corniche beach development plan is the Abu Dhabi Public Beach initiative, a plan designed to be implemented over the course of a couple of years in phases.

The planned improvements will ensure that the Corniche will be able to offer a range of comprehensive recreation and leisure opportunities for the entire community. It will encourage an active lifestyle, and create a sense of belonging and identity by providing family oriented experiences with a boardwalk and infrastructure for cycling and sports. There will also be a variety of retail, food and beverage outlets to contribute towards this easily accessible public space along the beach.

The design framework for the project aims to incorporate cultural, environmental and aesthetic influences from different groups of people, contributing towards the development of the city and the overall vision of Plan Abu Dhabi 2030 .

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Abu Dhabi corniche from Marina Mall by Luca & Vita. CC by 2.0



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commonwealth of australia

THE RIGHT HONOURABLE THE LORD MAYOR OF ADELAIDE
STEPHEN YARWOOD, Commonwealth of Australia

Stephen Yarwood is the City of Adelaide's youngest-ever Lord Mayor. A town planner with nearly 20 years' experience in state and local government, Mr Yarwood has dedicated his professional life to developing cities.

Mr Yarwood is working to make Adelaide a modern, vibrant and sustainable place to do business, live and enjoy life. He believes an economy based on innovation, education, arts and culture will make Adelaide prosperous. He is also encouraging strong working relationships between all levels of government as well as business and the general community.

Mr Yarwood has an MBA as well as post-graduate qualifications in Regional and Urban Planning and Environmental Studies. He has also lectured in planning and management in several countries.

ABOUT THE CITY



CITY'S PRIORITIES IN THE NEXT 5 YEARS

- Intelligent Cities
- High Quality of Life: A Vibrant City Life
- Sustainable Environment: Water & Waste Management

TOTAL LAND AREA
15.57 KM²

POPULATION SIZE
21,590

POPULATION DENSITY
1,386 PER KM²

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PLACEMAKING – CREATING A CITY OF MANY GREAT PLACES

The City of Adelaide wants to enhance Adelaide's reputation as one of the world's great small cities. The greatest cities in the world are full of many unique districts and great places with strong individual character.

Those who use a place are often in the best position to know what a place should look and feel like. Therefore, they should have input into the way places are planned, funding is allocated and services are provided.

Placemaking is an overarching idea and a hands-on tool for improving a district or place. It involves looking at, listening to and asking questions of the people who live, work and play in a place to discover their needs and aspirations. The information gathered is then used to create a common vision for the place.

The City of Adelaide has developed and is implementing a "Placemaking Strategy" from 2013 to 2015. Three place pilots are part of the strategy. The city is also developing three innovative district plans.

As a result of this strategy, new approaches to planning and service delivery will emerge, as will new place and district governance structures.

The City of Adelaide is being acknowledged worldwide for its placemaking approach, most notably through Future of Places, an international alliance of UN-Habitat, Project for Public Spaces in New York City, and the Ax:son Johnson Foundation of Sweden.

Further information on the strategy can be found at www.adelaidecitycouncil.com



ALMADINAH ALMUNWWARA
kingdom of saudi arabia

HIS EXCELLENCY DR KHALID BIN ABDULQADER TAHER
Mayor of Almadinah Almunwwara
Kingdom of Saudi Arabia

ABOUT THE CITY



CITY'S PRIORITIES IN THE NEXT 5 YEARS

TOTAL LAND AREA
589 KM^2

POPULATION SIZE
1,180,770

POPULATION DENSITY
2,000 PER KM^2

CONTACT/www.amana-md.gov.sa



KNOWLEDGE ECONOMIC CITY

The fourth largest city in Saudi Arabia, with approximately 1.1 million residents, Al-Madinah Almunawwara (the city of light), plays an essential role in contributing to the national strategy of economic diversification. In the Islamic world, it had a key role in the beginnings of the religion and attracts millions of Muslims worldwide.

Knowledge Economic City (KEC) will address Madinah's strained infrastructure from increased tourists and population growth. The 4.8 million sqm development is expected to create 18,000 jobs, host 90,000 inhabitants, and contribute SR3.1 billion (US$0.83 billion) to the Saudi economy by 2030.

Phase 1 projects include:

1. Dar Al Jewar, a first residential villa gated community designed in the traditional Madinah style with spacious green areas and leisure services

2. The Visitors Complex, a fully integrated hospitality and leisure complex with capacity for 20,000 visitors and approximately 10,000 rooms

3. The Hospitality and Commerce Towers comprising a hotel, furnished apartments, office space and multi-purpose conference facilities

4. An International Medical Centre (IMC) for premium and world-class healing services

5. The Knowledge Cluster with facilities for Education and R&D, Healthcare, Museums, Training, Entrepreneurship, and MICE

6. Diwan Al Marifah, the first building to be completed at Knowledge Economic City, to accommodate knowledge-based activities to revive Almadinah Almunawwara as a centre of knowledge and culture

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AL-QASSIM REGION

kingdom of saudi arabia

HIS EXCELLENCY ENG. SALEH BIN AHMAD AL AHMAD
Mayor of Al Qassim, Kingdom of Saudi Arabia

Since 2013 , Eng. Saleh Ahmed Al Ahmad has been assigned Mayor of Al Qassim Region. He supervises the municipal works of 37 municipalities extended over the region of Qassim that serve more than 160 governorates and centres. He is a member of the Municipal Council, Qassim Council and many higher memberships in this region.

In 1984, he obtained the degree of Applied Civil Engineering Science from King Fahad University for Petroleum and Minerals in Al-Dhahran.

He has held leading positions before becoming Mayor, the most prominent of which is Deputy Mayor of Al-Qassim Region from 2005 to 2013, as well as Assistant General Director for Operating & Maintenance of Water & Sanitation Service in Al-Qassim between 2006 to 2008.

ABOUT THE CITY



CITY'S PRIORITIES IN THE NEXT 5 YEARS

- Sustainable Environment: Water & Waste Management
- Integrated Long-term Planning: Balancing Stakeholder Interests
- Intelligent Cities

TOTAL LAND AREA
70,300 KM²

POPULATION SIZE
1,215,858

POPULATION DENSITY
17 PER KM²



BURAYDAH : DATE CITY

Saudi Arabia has the highest number of palm trees in the world with more than 23 million accounting for 20 per cent of the world's production of dates.

There are more than six million date palms in Al-Qassim Region alone. Buraydah city — the capital city of Al-Qassim Region in central Saudi Arabia — celebrates the Festival of Dates annually over a period of 90 days. It is the largest festival in the world, starting mid-August, when temperatures rise to help in the maturity of dates. The festival sees farmers and vendors presenting a variety of products worth millions of riyals. Date merchants and traders from across Saudi Arabia and the Arab Gulf flock to Buraydah each year to buy the world's best dates.

To facilitate the festival and promote the produce, the city consists of administrative and service offices, date packing plants, refrigerated tankers and cold stores, marketing companies, international transport agenta, advanced motels, supermarkets, communication and coordination office for the exchange of experience and expertise to and from all over the world, and a date palm trees museum.



ALGIERS

people's democratic republic of algeria

HIS EXCELLENCY ABDELKADER ZOUKH
Governor of Algiers, People's Democratic Republic of Algeria

ABOUT THE CITY



CITY'S PRIORITIES IN THE NEXT 5 YEARS

- Sustainable Environment: Water & Waste Management
- Dynamic Urban Governance: Fostering Good Governance
- Intelligent Cities

TOTAL LAND AREA
273 KM^2

POPULATION SIZE
2,947,461

POPULATION DENSITY
11,000 PER KM^2



THE BAY OF ALGIERS DEVELOPMENT PROJECT

Algiers is situated west of a large bay along the coast of the Mediterranean Sea. The Bay of Algiers seafront development is part of Wilaya's strategic plan (2008–2020) to establish a showcase seafront and is the government's first attempt to implement a long-term vision of restructuring the city of Algiers in a progressive and sustainable way.

Priority projects have seen major travel routes, large public areas and green corridors linking the city to the bay, improving the quality of life. A green metropolis has also been planned, as the city's two main areas of vegetation – Baîñem Park in the west and Cape Matifou and Réghaia Lake in the east – are consolidated. Qued el Harrach is undergoing decontamination, seeing a restoration of the bank's ecological functions. A garden city has been envisioned through the creation of green windows which open to the sea and ensure a natural landscaped continuity with the coast.

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ANGELES CITY

philippines

HONORABLE EDGARDO D. PAMINTUAN
Mayor of Angeles City, Republic of the Philippines

Since becoming Mayor of Angeles City in July 2010, Mr Edgardo Dizon Pamintuan has before concentrated on improving the city's health services, providing better education for all and investing in infrastructure. Mayor Pamintuan built the City College of Angeles, a public college which stands as an institution of hope for the youth. He led the planting of 200,000 trees, cleared major waterways of refuse and modernised the city's public hospital. He also curbed graft and corruption leading to business confidence resulting in Angeles City becoming one of the least corrupt local governments in the Social Weather Station survey of 2012. Mayor Pamintuan received the Order of Lakandula — Grand Cross Rank of Bayani Award in 2010; Ten Outstanding Filipinos Abroad in 2010; the Seal of Good Housekeeping from the Department of Interior and Local Government from 2010 to 2013, Punto! Central Luzon's Man of the Year 2011; and one of the Most Outstanding Mayors of the Philippines in both 2012 and 2014. He was also voted among the Top Ten Mayors of the World in 2012 by the London-based City Mayors Foundation.

ABOUT THE CITY



CITY'S PRIORITIES IN THE NEXT 5 YEARS

- High Quality of Life: A Vibrant City Life
- Dynamic Urban Governance: Fostering Good Governance
- Sustainable Environment: Water & Waste Management

TOTAL LAND AREA
63.37 KM²

POPULATION SIZE
347,774

POPULATION DENSITY
5,487 PER KM²

CONTACT/ www.angelescity.gov.ph



ANGELES CITY - AN INSTITUTION OF HOPE

The city government believes that education is the panacea to the ills of society. Thus, in December 2011, the local government broke ground for the City College of Angeles, which now stands as an "institution of hope" for citizens, especially the youth, to provide opportunities and access to quality but affordable education.

At present, there are more than 3,000 job vacancies in Clark Freeport Zone, but locators are having problems in recruitment due to an apparent mismatch of the skills and training of the available manpower with the requirements of the job vacancies. This is why the college currently offers courses that are market-responsive and corresponds to the needs of locators within Clark and the emerging enterprises in Angeles City.

The college curriculum also ensures students' employability even at the completion of their first semester, upon which they can acquire certification from the Technical Education and Skills Development Authority (TESDA) stating that they have undergone the appropriate training and are equipped with the core competencies that will match the needs of the community.

Upon its inception, the City College of Angeles has received much praise and support from various educational authorities and organisations, including the Commission on Higher Education (CHED).



ANTWERP

belgium

MR PHILIP HEYLEN
Vice Mayor of Antwerp, Belgium

Philip Heylen is Vice Mayor for Culture, Economy, City Maintenance and Property Management for the City of Antwerp, in Belgium. He has a keen interest in promoting the city of Antwerp internationally.

Philip Heylen was born in Antwerp, in 1968. He has a Masters degree in Law. He became Vice Mayor of Antwerp in 2004, and got re-elected in 2006 and 2012, for the Flemish Christian democratic party CD&V.

He is Member of the Board of Directors of numerous companies and organisations, amongst others of Elias, ISVAG, the Flemish Opera/Ballet and M HKA.

In his sparse free time, Philip Heylen is an enthusiastic marathon runner, he loves opera and American crooners, he loves cooking and good food, and he has a particular fondness for hippos.

ABOUT THE CITY



CITY'S PRIORITIES IN THE NEXT 5 YEARS

- High Quality of Life: A Vibrant City Life
- Competitive Economy: Driving Investments
- Dynamic Urban Governance: Fostering Good Governance

TOTAL LAND AREA
204.5 KM²

POPULATION SIZE
520,000

POPULATION DENSITY
2,519 PER KM²

CONTACT/ www.antwerpen.be



THE RED STAR LINE MUSEUM: MILLIONS OF PEOPLE, ONE DREAM

With their whole life packed in a few suitcases, millions of people sailed from Europe to America after 1800. The United States and Canada were the promised land for fortune seekers and everyone looking for a better life. For many people, the trip to the New World began in a warehouse in Antwerp. Red Star Line ocean steamers paved the way to a new life for about two million men, women and children between 1873 and 1934.

The Red Star Line Museum invites you on an eventful journey in the footsteps of the emigrants. Become acquainted with the passengers and accompany them on their trip from their native village to Antwerp. The ocean steamers of the Red Star Line are docked on the quay ready to depart for the New World. Exciting and personal stories accompany you across the ocean. On the other side of the ocean you say goodbye to your fellow passengers.

The historic sheds of the legendary shipping company with the red star in its flag currently house the Red Star Line Museum. The museum tells the story of the millions of Europeans who were courageous or desperate enough to leave their old life behind and look for a better existence. Via an emotional rollercoaster of high expectations and deep disappointments, racing adrenaline and sleepless nights the dream becomes reality for some of them. The former harbour sheds of the Red Star Line are the perfect place to make the stories of countless passengers palpable and visible. Their dreams and complaints are brought to life in this inspiring environment.

The Red Star Line Museum is a journey to the past and an encounter with the present. Migration might have a different face these days, but the human side of migration is timeless and universal.



ARAKAWA CITY

tokyo

HIS EXCELLENCY TAIICHIRO NISHIKAWA
Mayor of Arakawa City, Japan

Mayor Nishikawa was born in 1942, in Arakawa City, Tokyo and was a Faculty of Commerce graduated from Waseda University.

He was a member of the Tokyo Metropolitan Assembly (1977) for four terms. In 1993, he was a three-term member in the House of Representatives of Japan.

He also held different positions such as Parliamentary Under-Secretary of State in Defense, Leading Representative in the National Commission on Educational Reform, Parliamentary Secretary in Economy, Trade and Industry and Senior Vice-Minister in Economy, Trade and Industry.

In 2004, Mr Nishikawa became the mayor of Arakawa City.

He is currently both President of Clean Authority of TOKYO 23 cities (from 2011) and the "Happiness League" (allied municipalities aimed to create a sense of happiness among residents; 2013).

ABOUT THE CITY



CITY'S PRIORITIES IN THE NEXT 5 YEARS

TOTAL LAND AREA
10.20 KM²

POPULATION SIZE
207,960

POPULATION DENSITY
20,388 PER KM²

CONTACT/www.city.arakawa.tokyo.jp



COMMUNITY RECYCLING GROUPS

In Arakawa City, collection of resources such as glass bottles, cans, used paper, PET bottles is done through volunteers in community recycling groups. Although the city government is not directly involved in the collection, community groups such as residential associations, collect and handover it over to private distribution and processing centres.

We do it this way because community groups are active and private recycling centres are plenty in Arakawa. By taking advantage of these, the city successfully recovers high-value recyclables in large amount and with less cost.

Annual resource collection through volunteer groups per capita is 54.3kg, which is the highest among 23 cities of Tokyo. The city government is committed to voluntary group collection through financial grants to respective residential associations, provision of subsidy to recycling business centres for programme continuity and through coordination between residential associations and related businesses.



AUCKLAND

new zealand

HIS WORSHIP LEN BROWN

Mayor of Auckland, New Zealand

Len Brown was elected Mayor of Auckland, Australasia's largest territorial authority, in 2010 and re-elected in 2013.

He has a vision for Auckland to be the world's most liveable city. He is committed to improving Auckland's transport network; quality compact urban design and more affordable housing; keeping rates low while improving economic performance; and building an inclusive culture in a city of 1.5 million people and 180 ethnicities. Raised and educated in Auckland, he studied then practised law, and co-founded local health, legal and business organisations as part of an ongoing commitment to community service. His political career began in 1992, as local councillor in the ward where he grew up. Under his leadership, Auckland has developed a 30-year spatial plan for the development of the region and improved its standing on all three major international quality of life surveys. Mayor BrownLen is committed to working across political boundaries to benefit Auckland.

ABOUT THE CITY



CITY'S PRIORITIES IN THE NEXT 5 YEARS

- High Quality of Life: A Vibrant City Life
- Competitive Economy: Driving Investments
- Sustainable Environment: Water & Waste Management

TOTAL LAND AREA
4,893 KM²

POPULATION SIZE
1,529,300

POPULATION DENSITY
312 PER KM²

CONTACT/ www.aucklandcouncil.govt.nz



AUCKLAND: THE WORLD'S MOST LIVEABLE CITY

Auckland is New Zealand's largest and fastest growing city, with a population projected to grow from 1.5 million to 2.5 million by 2040.

For decades, Auckland was held back by fragmented local governance and a lack of effective long-term planning. This changed in 2010, following a decision to merge eight councils into one 'super city' under a single Mayoralty.

The first elected Mayor of Auckland is Len Brown, who campaigned in 2010 on a vision of transforming Auckland into 'the world's most liveable city'.

In his first term, Mayor Brown led the development of a single vision and plan for Auckland – the Auckland Plan. This plan was developed in partnership with central government, business, indigenous Maori tribes, and input from thousands of Aucklanders.

The Auckland Plan sets long-term economic, social and environmental goals to make Auckland the 'world's most liveable city', including:

- High quality urban planning and design standards based on the vision of a 'quality compact city'
- Investment in a world-class public transport system, with an urban rail link that will double the capacity of the rail network
- A global investment and tourism strategy
- Transformation of key parts of the city – including a major redevelopment of Auckland's stunning waterfront area

The Auckland Plan was adopted in May 2012 and is the roadmap for a transformational work programme.



BACOLOD CITY

republic of the philippines

HONOURABLE MONICO O. PUENTEVELLA
Mayor of Bacolod City, Republic of the Philippines

Mayor Monico Puentevella is a trailblazer. He entered government service in 1994 as Commissioner of the Philippine Sports Commission and became the longest serving sports official in the country. He became the only Filipino President of the Asian Weightlifting Federation (AWF) in 2003 and was Chairman of the Philippine Olympic Committee (POC) in 2009.

He was elected Representative of Bacolod City in 2001 and is the only local lawmaker to finish three full terms in congress. He passed a national law in his first term and went on to author 16 major national laws. In 2011, FIFA appointed him as International Director for its Television and Marketing Committee, the first Filipino to have been given that privilege.

He was elected Mayor of Bacolod City in 2013. He is an Outstanding Alumnus of the De la Salle University and is a graduate of Professional Management at the Asian Institute of Management.

ABOUT THE CITY



CITY'S PRIORITIES IN THE NEXT 5 YEARS

- Sustainable Environment: Water & Waste Management
- Competitive Economy: Driving Investments
- Intelligent Cities

TOTAL LAND AREA
162.67 KM²

POPULATION SIZE
511,820

POPULATION DENSITY
3,100 PER KM²

CONTACT/ www.bacolodcity.gov.ph



MKK: HELPING PEOPLE, SAVING LIVES

MKK or "Magbinuligay Kita para sa Kauswagan" (Helping each other towards progress), is a flagship program of the new administration that provides hospital assistance and health care support to indigent patients who are admitted to the national government-run hospital in Bacolod City. Before this programme, a relatively substantial percentage of the population did not have the means to pay for their hospitalization expenses and buy the necessary medicines for their illnesses. In the past, poor families were left on their own with no access and means to avail of even the most basic of health services.

Through MKK and Bacolod City's Department of Social Services and Development (DSSD), poor families are now given real opportunities to become healthy and productive members of the society. The local government shoulders the patients' hospital bills and provides them access to medicine support. The city government believes that healthy and productive communities are essential elements in economic growth and development.

The programme is an offshoot of the project spearheaded by newly-elected Mayor Monico Puentevella when he was still a member of Congress for three consecutive terms. Since then and up to now, MKK has given hope to poor families and extended health care assistance to almost 80,000 indigent patients in the city. The local health care initiative is complemented by the national government Philippine Health Insurance program through its PhilHealth cards. Both programmes ensure the sharing of valuable government resources and maximum utilisation of funds and benefits to communities.



BANDUNG

republic of indonesia

HIS EXCELLENCY RIDWAN KAMIL
Mayor of Bandung, Republic of Indonesia

Mochamad Ridwan Kamil, ST. MUD. (was born in Bandung, 4th of October 1971); is the Mayor of Bandung for 2013-2018. He is an architect, lecturer, and a social activist. He graduated from the Faculty of Architecture and Engineering of Bandung Institute of Technology (ITB) and received his Master's Degree from University of California, Berkeley.

He began his profesional carreer in several firms in the United States of America and finished more than 50 architectural and urban design projects of in America, Middle East and Asia. His firm won more than 20 international and local competitions and awards.

Ridwan Kamil has a great vision to build Bandung as the best city in Indonesia, by integrating three core spirits: inovation, creativity, and collaboration.

ABOUT THE CITY



CITY'S PRIORITIES IN THE NEXT 5 YEARS

TOTAL LAND AREA
167.29 KM²

POPULATION SIZE
2,394,000

POPULATION DENSITY
14,310 PER KM²

CONTACT/ www.bandung.go.id



OUR CITY IS OUR RESPONSIBILITY

One key challenge facing cities today is creating the culture of innovative bureaucracy. Innovation distinguishes between leader and follower. Surveys says that bureaucracy is usually less innovative due to the fear of accountability. Less idea means less responsibility. Therefore, a city leader needs to foster the culture of innovation, creating a breakthrough approach, setting great vision and clear direction to achieve the goals.

Some of the exemplary approaches/policies that has seeded change in Bandung is the power of collaboration between government and people. Voluntarism is a strong social culture in Bandung. For example, we launched Biopory Project to fight city flood by the help of 10,000 volunteers. In the future, most of programmes will be run on a collaborative approach where citizen can participate to improve the quality of public service. In Bandung, all government departments must have social media account - Twitter and Utube - as a mean to inform, answer and post public service activities.

If I could seed one change in my city, it would be the bringing the culture of collaboration in building Bandung. Because as our motto says: "Our City is Our Responsibility"

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BARRANQUILLA

republic of colombia

MS ELSA NOGUERA
Mayor of Barranquilla, Republic of Colombia

Ms Elsa Noguera is an economist who graduated from Universidad Javeriana, with a Minor in International Business from The American University. She has a specialisation in Corporate Finance and a Master's degree in Business Administration from the Universidad del Norte. Ms Noguera has experience in the financial sector and in the field of research, where she served as an economic analyst for Fundesarrollo.

She began her career in the public sector in January 2006 as Treasurer during the administration of Governor Carlos Noriega. She then became the Secretary of Finance for the Mayor of Barranquilla Alejandro Char from 2008 to 2010. Ms Noguera is recognised as the financial miracle of Barranquilla, bringing the city from total bankruptcy to financial stability. Ms Noguera became Mayor of Barranquilla in 2012, and her term is until 2015.

ABOUT THE CITY



CITY'S PRIORITIES IN THE NEXT 5 YEARS

TOTAL LAND AREA
166 KM^2

POPULATION SIZE
1,200,000

POPULATION DENSITY
7,228 PER KM^2

CONTACT/ www.barranquilla.gov.co



HOUSING FOR THE NEEDY

Barranquilla is currently working with the Housing Ministry to provide free housing to needy families. The programme targets families that do not currently own their homes. Families that have minimum wage income and savings of at least 5% of the value of the units will also enjoy subsidised rates.

The programme is possible with the collaboration between the city government of Barranquilla, the Ministry of Housing, the First Lady's Office and foundations like Prodesa and Mario Santo Domingo Foundation.

In the Megaproject Villas de San Pablo, for instance, with an investment of more than $34,000 million pesos (US$17 million) from various partners, the project has delivered the first 110 homes of 832 that are part of the free housing programme. Here, each unit consists of two bedrooms, a bathroom, a kitchen, a laundry area, a living room and a balcony within a space of 44 square metres.

The project has exceeded expectations by delivering housing units with excellent interior design, footpaths, parks, parking areas, playgrounds, multi-purpose recreation courts, community halls, refuse rooms and communal water tanks.

In the Verde Caribbean project, 1,350 apartment units will be allocated to needy families; and a further 3,144 apartments will be delivered in another project, called Caribbean City.

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BATAM

republic of indonesia

HIS EXCELLENCY H. AHMAD DAHLAN
Mayor of Batam, Republic of Indonesia

Ahmad Dahlan has been the Mayor of Batam since 2006, and is also Vice Chairman of the Batam Free Trade Zone Council. Prior to that, he served in various positions at the Batam Industrial Development Authority, including Head of the Public Relations and Marketing Bureau, Chief of the Public Bureau and Chief of the Personnel Bureau. He was also Head of Tourism and Transportation Services of the Riau Island Province.

Mayor Ahmad Dahlan graduated from the Islamic Institute of Sunan Kalijaga in Yogyakarta, the Institute of Business Law and Administration, Jakarta, and the Institute of National Defence and Security (Lemhanas) Jakarta. He has received many awards, such as from the Minister of Finance, Republic of Indonesia for being the regional government with a good performance in economy, finances and welfare (2009), and from the Minister of Public Housing as the top-ranked city government in housing development (2008 – 2011).

ABOUT THE CITY



CITY'S PRIORITIES IN THE NEXT 5 YEARS

TOTAL LAND AREA
715 KM^2

POPULATION SIZE
162,238

POPULATION DENSITY
227 PER KM^2

CONTACT/ ww.batamkota.go.id



SISKAMLING

Batam city has been experiencing consistently strong economic growth since the late 2000s, with over 7 per cent in economic growth every year from 2003 to 2010, except for 2009. It has transformed from a sleepy fishing outpost with just 6,000 residents into a hub for economic and tourist activity, with a population of more than one million, where its workforce numbers at about 300,000 and where more than a million tourists are received every year.

The push towards a better future for Batam and its people continues with a new policy recently introduced. 'Siskamling', or community patrols, was revived last year, in order to enhance neighbourhood security in the city, and to ensure a safe environment for children. This was particularly in response to a string of accidental deaths involving child, due to a lapse in supervision by parents. Village chiefs, neighbourhood and community heads would be activated to revive 'siskamling' on a neighbourhood level effort to improve the overall level of safety for local residents in the city.

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BILBAO

kingdom of spain

MR JOSE LUIS SABAS
Deputy Mayor of Bilbao, Kingdom of Spain

Mr Sabas was born in Bilbao, in 1953. He is an architect and worked as an independent professional with an architecture firm until 1985.

From 1985, he was an architect in the Health Department of the Basque Government and was appointed as Director of Infrastructure and Investments. He was responsible for the Investments Strategy when Basque Country's health system was renovated and new infrastructures were built. He served as Deputy Councillor for Culture and Tourism of the Bilbao City Council (1999-2003). Since then, he has been the Head of the City Council Department of Works and Services, in the position of Deputy Mayor; Coordinator of Land Policy; and Deputy Councillor for the Department of Works and Services of the Bilbao City Council.

He is also the Chairman of Surbisa and Bioartigas, Deputy Chairman of Alhóndiga Bilbao, and Councillor of the Arriaga Theatre, Bilbao Ría 2000 and Bilbao Kirolak, among other institutions.

ABOUT THE CITY



CITY'S PRIORITIES IN THE NEXT 5 YEARS

- Competitive Economy: Driving Investments
- High Quality of Life: A Vibrant City Life
- Sustainable Environment: Water & Waste Management

TOTAL LAND AREA
40.65 KM²

POPULATION SIZE
349,869

POPULATION DENSITY
8,606 PER KM²

CONTACT/www.bilbao.net



BILBAO NEXT: BUILDING THE FUTURE OF BILBAO

Bilbao is articulating a project of the future for the city and its metropolitan area under the assumption that a race between cities is taking place worldwide. "Bilbao Next" represents a strategy of joint territorial articulation in which the City of Bilbao and the Provincial Government of Bizkaia are particularly involved. To compete in the global scene, it is necessary to reach an important international dimension with the achievement of a regional urban centre being on top of our agenda. With this vision, the functional area of the city of Bilbao stretches beyond 1.5 million people. The new scale of Bilbao transcends the municipal and metropolitan boundaries to align its urban model at the regional or even mega regional scale.

For a city to remain competitive on a global scale, it must be connected both externally and internally. For the external connectivity, Bilbao will continue developing physical and technological infrastructures, aimed at improving the external accessibility of the city, turning Bilbao into a global and interconnected city. For the internal connectivity, the city will continue developing projects that contribute to the accessibility of citizens as well as new sustainable transport systems which improve the urban traffic and citizen´s mobility.

Bilbao Next is focused on the reinforcement of the innovative and open economy with 4 economic sectors being targeted. Those in which Bilbao is particularly well positioned are:

- Advanced Business services
- Eco-Technology and Urban Solutions
- Art & Technology and Design
- Tourism and Quality of Life and Health

It should be noted the leading role played by local companies in the process of urban regeneration occurred in Bilbao over the last 25 years in the aforementioned sectors.



BINH DUONG PROVINCE

socialist republic of vietnam

HIS EXCELLENCY LE THANH CUNG
Chairman of People's Committee of Binh Duong Province
Socialist Republic of Vietnam

ABOUT THE CITY



CITY'S PRIORITIES IN THE NEXT 5 YEARS

TOTAL LAND AREA
2,694.43 KM²

POPULATION SIZE
1,727,154

POPULATION DENSITY
550 PER KM²

CONTACT/www.binhduong.gov.vn



BINH DUONG: NEW ADMINISTRATION HUB

Binh Duong province is one of the provinces in Vietnam with a rapid economic growth rate and dynamic industrial development. It is located in the eastern part of the southern region of Vietnam, being the part of the Southern Key Economic Zone.

In recent years, with a high economic growth rate, the economic structure has been actively changing as industrial and service sectors rapidly grow within the province. Currently, Binh Duong has 28 industrial parks and zones with the total area of over 8,700 hectares, in which more than 1,200 domestic and foreign enterprises are under operation with a total capital investment of over US$ 13 billion. An example is the Vietnam – Singapore Industrial Park I.

The local authorities inaugurated a new integrated administration centre in Binh Duong New City in 2014, marking a milestone in the province's development and providing fresh opportunities for investors. The Binh Duong New City project is home to the hub and will be the focus for a central government-managed Binh Duong City by 2020. The hub is a symbol of the province's development, and reflected the efforts of the local authorities to provide fast, transparent and modern administration.

With the advantages in natural conditions, socio-economic potential and policies from the Central Party and Government, Binh Duong will continue to further foster the province's sustainable development, and act as a magnet for both Vietnamese and foreign investors, helping drive future growth.

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BINTAN

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HIS EXCELLENCY KHAZALIK

Vice Regent of Bintan, Republic of Indonesia

Born on 1963 in Terempa, Khazalik was DPPKD of the Kadis District, Bintan, as well as the Head of Tourism and Culture prior to his current appointment as Vice Regent of Bintan.

His previous position are acting Assistant to the Regional Secretariat of Civil Procedure Kepri and as Head of Legal Secretariat in 2004. He was also Head of the Department of Public Works TU in 2003.

ABOUT THE CITY



CITY'S PRIORITIES IN THE NEXT 5 YEARS

TOTAL LAND AREA

60,057 KM²

POPULATION SIZE

118,357

POPULATION DENSITY

1.97 PER KM²



MOVING TOWARDS A PROSPEROUS FUTURE

Bintan was declared a free trade zone in 2009, along with Batam and Karimun, all of which belong to the Riau Islands of Indonesia. This was made possible because of the determined and concerted effort of the Indonesian government alongside other international stakeholders.

Investment commitments were made by many businesses belonging to neighbouring countries, such as Singapore and Malaysia. Industries that would operate in Bintan include textiles, garments, and wood processing – many of which serve to complementsthe manufacturing chain for related industries in Singapore. Further, Singapore's Batam Industrial Park signed an agreement with Indonesia to lease Bintan's northern coast and develop it into the "Bintan Resort" targeted at Singaporeans.

An agribusiness venture according to the Master Plan for Bintan also anticipated the setting up of food production businessess, such as pig rearing, fishery cultivation and seafood processing. Mining activities can also be potentially developed, for ores such as bauxite, kaolin, granite, white sand and tin. A petroleum industry is also being planned.

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PROVINCE OF BOHOL

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HONOURABLE ATTY. EDGARDO M. CHATTO
Governor of Bohol Province, Republic of the Philippines

Governor Edgardo M. Chatto was born in Balilihan, Bohol, Philippines. He has a Master's Degree in Government Management and was a Ford Foundation Scholar of Public Sector Management for Senior Managers in Government at the Harvard University.

He started his political career as Provincial Board Member representing the youth sector when he served as president of the Youth Council (1980 to 1986). He was elected Municipal Mayor of Balilihan, Bohol (1988-1995), Vice Governor (1995 – 2001), Congressman of the 1st District of Bohol (2001-June 2010) and as Provincial Governor (July 2010-present). Under his leadership, Bohol received the distinction of Best Governed Province in 2010, 2011 and 2012.

Governor Chatto's government service for 30 years was marked with competence, excellence, integrity and dedication. He has been a recipient of various prestigious awards from government and private institutions.

ABOUT THE CITY



CITY'S PRIORITIES IN THE NEXT 5 YEARS

- **Sustainable Environment: Water & Waste Management**
- **Competitive Economy: Driving Investments**
- **High Quality of Life: A Vibrant City Life**

TOTAL LAND AREA
4,117 KM²

POPULATION SIZE
1,255,128

POPULATION DENSITY
260 PER KM²

CONTACT/ www.bohol.gov.ph



BOHOL'S DISASTER RISK REDUCTION AND MANAGEMENT

The Province of Bohol has had multiple award-winning initiatives, most notably those which have won the GalingPook Award (a local award that recognises outstanding local government programs and projects). These initiatives have been in Eco-cultural Tourism, Cultural Renaissance, Environmental Protection, Peace and Development and Rabies Prevention and Eradication.

Under the leadership of Gov. Edgardo M. Chatto, the Province of Bohol recently established its own best practices under its Disaster Risk Reduction and Management – Climate Change Adaptation (DRRM-CCA) program. It was tested when it experienced an unprecedented 7.2-magnitude earthquake last October 15, 2013. The earthquake, which destroyed churches which had stood for centuries, was the strongest that had ever been recorded in Bohol.. Bohol's DRRM-CCA program has addressed all four pillars of DRRM:

1st Pillar – Prevention and Mitigation: by updating the Bohol Environment Code ,the Provincial Development and Physical Framework Plan, and theMunicipal Land Use Plans throughout the province; creation of DRRM councils and bodies.

2nd Pillar – Preparedness: by conducting DRRM-CCA preparedness trainings and other capacity development activities throughout the province and assisting pilot initiatives in Local DRRM planning in disaster-prone municipalities.

3rd Pillar – Response: by managing the entire province's response to the Earthquake using Convergence on an unprecedented scale using the Cluster Approach, and taking the lead among government agencies and NGOs.

4th Pillar – Recovery and Rehabilitation: through the Preparation, Approval and Endorsement of the Recovery and Rehabilitation Plan to the National Government and Donor Agencies; and by managing efforts to realize the plan.



BUCARAMANGA

republic of colombia

MR LUIS FRANCISCO BOHORQUEZ
Mayor of Bucaramanga, Republic of Colombia

Mr. Luis Francisco Bohorquez is a lawyer who graduated from Universidad Autonoma de Bucaramanga University in which he later studied Public Law, consequently in the Universidad de Santander he studied Public Management, on the other hand, he studied Territorial Entities Management in the Universidad Externado de Colombia and in this last university he also studied Environmental Fiscal Control.

He began his career as Departmental Police Commissioner and then he worked as Auditor of the General Comptroller of the Republic. He served as Deputy of the Departmental Assembly of Santander of which he was President and received the "Luis Carlos Galan" Recognition of Order. Later on, he became the Government Secretary of the Department of Santander, position in which he received the recognition of Executive of the Year 2001 given by the Junior Chamber. Mr. Bohorquez became Mayor of Bucaramanga in the year 2012, and his term is until 2015.

ABOUT THE CITY



CITY'S PRIORITIES IN THE NEXT 5 YEARS

- Sustainable Environment: Water & Waste Management
- Competitive Economy: Driving Investments
- High Quality of Life: A Vibrant City Life

TOTAL LAND AREA
165 KM²

POPULATION SIZE
536,630

POPULATION DENSITY
3,252 PER KM²

CONTACT/ www.bucaramanga.gov.co

LEGALIZATION OF NEIGHBOURHOODS: A RIGHT FOR ALL CITIZENS

One of the biggest challenges of our administration it is to find dynamics towards sustainable development and growth, which involves equity, social well-being, quality of life for urban inhabitants and the right for everyone to the city and its ecological sustainability. This quest it is not only a public challenge, but a duty and a permanent right of different sectors of society.

The legalization of 87 settlements of the 170 neighborhoods of Bucaramanga is almost complete. Public intervention in these illegal zones is necessary in order to provide urban infrastructure improvements, recognize titles of property and integrate a conglomerate of families to the city and its social fabric. There are three principal approaches to regularization which are: legal regularization process to legalize land titles and transform property "of fact" in to juridical property; physical regularization to expand infrastructure services in irregular settlements and land titling, physical development with urban environment though direct public investment in road systems, connection to networks of infrastructure and public services, and incorporation in official maps. Finally, social integration trough specific programs adapted to the needs of the community in training and employment.

Legal regularisation allows integration of a group of houses to the city, widens the base of families that pay taxes in the municipality and includes properties in to the land market. However, it does not improve significantly the security nor eliminates the negative perception of the neighbourhood; to solve this, infrastructure and social integration programmes are needed.

Legalization of neighborhoods generates recognition, inclusion into official cartography, takes the place of construction licenses before developers, credit access and subsidies for house improvement and investments for the improvement of the neighbourhood.



CITY OF CALAPAN

republic of the philippines

HONOURABLE ARNAN C. PANALIGAN
Mayor of Calapan City , Republic of the Philippines

Mayor Arnan C. Panaligan is referred to as a "city builder" since he was one of the founders of Calapan City in 1998. He was elected as the first City Mayor of Calapan after it was converted into a city in 1998. As mayor, he steered the growth and development of the young city by promoting investments, improving the city's infrastructure and upgrading the delivery of social services. After completing nine years as mayor in 2004, he became Governor of the Province of Oriental Mindoro where he launched projects in agriculture and eco–tourism and formulated the Provincewide Investment Plan for Health that sought to improve the public health delivery system in the province. In 2013, he was elected to serve again as City Mayor in the city that he helped to establish. As City Mayor, he is prioritizing job generation, urban renewal, health care, housing, education and food security. He has also launched a program to make Calapan City the "City of Discipline and Good Character". Mayor Panaligan is a lawyer by profession.

ABOUT THE CITY



CITY'S PRIORITIES IN THE NEXT 5 YEARS

- High Quality of Life: A Vibrant City Life
- Dynamic Urban Governance: Fostering Good Governance
- Competitive Economy: Driving Investments

TOTAL LAND AREA
250 KM²

POPULATION SIZE
124,173

POPULATION DENSITY
496 PER KM²

CONTACT/ www.cityofcalapan.gov.ph



ONE CALAPAN: A BUSINESS-FRIENDLY CITY

One of the challenges facing cities today is urban poverty. Manifested in unemployment and lack of income opportunities, it leads to a host of inter-related urban problems such as proliferation of slums, upsurge in crime, environmental degradation, urban blight and social decay.

While economic growth is a prime factor in addressing urban poverty, prospering a dynamic business sector that provides jobs, income, and livelihood opportunities is needed to propel the redevelopment and revitalization of a once blighted downtown and urban cores.

The city's economic reform through simplifying regulatory processes for firm creation and growth, complimented by international standards that are ISO certified , strengthening of disaster risk management, trade, investment and tourism promotion signaled a more business-friendly environment that brought more investment opportunities to the Regional Government Center. Further enhancement of infrastructures and facilities prepared the city for future expansion and development while exploring potentials of Public-Private-Partnerships.

In years 2012 and 2013, Calapan was awarded as one of the "Most Business-Friendly Cities" in the Philippines by the Philippine Chamber of Commerce, Inc. Its constant assessment of the City Revenue Code ensured that tax rates and policies are fair, reasonable and just, and its continuous development and innovation of its management systems and human resources made Calapan truly competitive. The low cost of doing business in Calapan and its low taxes alongside a high quality of life and large talent pool makes it one of the top choices for new investments.

This city of "ONE CALAPAN" is **O**pportunity for growth and development, and **N**ew politics **E**nding poverty.



CALOOCAN CITY

republic of the philippines

HONOURABLE OSCAR G. MALAPITAN
Mayor of Caloocan City, Republic of the Philippines

Born in 1955, Mayor Malapitan is a politician and congressman with the United Nationalist Alliance, Philippines. Since 2004, he has been elected for two terms in the House of Representatives of the Philippines, as the Representative from the first District of Caloocan city.

ABOUT THE CITY



CITY'S PRIORITIES IN THE NEXT 5 YEARS

- Dynamic Urban Governance: Fostering Good Governance
- Competitive Economy: Driving Investments
- Sustainable Environment: Water & Waste Management

TOTAL LAND AREA
53.33 KM^2

POPULATION SIZE
1,489,040

POPULATION DENSITY
27,921 PER_2 KM

CONTACT/ www.caloocancity.gov.ph



CALOOCAN CITY ENVIRONMENTAL AND SANITATION SERVICES

The Solid Waste Management in Caloocan City is presently under the supervision of the Environmental Sanitation Services (ESS) with two sections: Garbage Collection and Disposal Services ad Street Cleaning Services. Pursuant to Metropolitan Manila Council Resolution No. 15 series of 1991, and through a Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) signed 7 August 1992, the services of the ESC was devolved under the supervision of the City Government. The refuse collection operation at present is being managed by a public Services Officer who serve as the assistant of the City General Services Officer in the delivery of the said basic services.

Within the ESS service areas, the major collection services are the door to door collection, station to station collection and street cleaning. Along with these services, ESS also implements Republic Act 9003 or the Ecological Solid Waste Management Act of 2000 through the following programs and projects:

Creation of "Barangays" Solid Waste Management Committee in 188 "Barangays" of the City; Establishment of Materials Recovery Facility (MRF) in "Barangays", schools, markets and other establishments; Conduct Solid Waste Management and Waste Segregation Seminar on different schools, "Barangays", markets, churches and other establishments; Conduct house to house information, education and communication campaign; Approved and enforcement of the City Ordinance 0407 series of 2006, otherwise known as the Comprehensive Solid Waste Management of the City of Caloocan and deputized Environmental Police to enforce the same; Achieved a 34.97% diversion rate for recyclable materials; and Livelihood programme (bags, wallets, pot holder making) and use of Alternative Technology (Charcoal Briquetting) at "Barangays" 182.



CAPE TOWN

republic of south africa

ALDERMAN MS PATRICIA DE LILLE
Her Worship The Executive Mayor of Cape Town
Western Cape Province, Republic of South Africa

Patricia de Lille has fought injustice for the past 34 years through her involvement in politics. She is known for her role as a trade unionist. In 1988, Ms de Lille was elected Vice-President of the National Council of Trade Unions, and served as the Regional Secretary of the Chemical Workers Union.

She became a Member of Parliament in 1994 and went on to chair the Parliamentary Committee on Transport until 1999. In March 2003 she formed the Independent Democrats, which won government seats in the 2004 elections.

Before her election as the Mayor of Cape Town, she was the Western Cape Minister of Social Development following the merger of the Independent Democrats and the Democratic Alliance. Once described by Nelson Mandela as "a strong, principled woman" and his "favourite opposition politician", she is married with two children and enjoys playing golf, listening to music and reading in her spare time.

ABOUT THE CITY



CITY'S PRIORITIES IN THE NEXT 5 YEARS

- Competitive Economy: Driving Investments
- Intelligent Cities
- Dynamic Urban Governance: Fostering Good Governance

TOTAL LAND AREA
2,455 KM²

POPULATION SIZE
3,740,025

POPULATION DENSITY
1,529 PER KM²

CONTACT/www.capetown.gov.za



MYCITI

The poor have typically endured long commutes on uncomfortable and unsafe vehicles as a consequence of embedded apartheid infrastructure. Public transport is fragmented and users often have to make many stops on several modes of transport. Rail, the backbone of public transport in the city, serves 52% of users. Another 19% use subsidised bus services.

MyCiTi is the City of Cape Town's Integrated Rapid Transit system. It aims to provide high quality bus-based public transport, integrated with rail, pedestrian and cycle infrastructure. MyCiTi is part of the City of Cape Town's overall plan for improved public transport led by the city's transport authority.

MyCiTi integrates the bus rapid transit service with other transport modes through well-designed precincts, walking and cycle paths, stations and stops. In busy transport corridors, the system includes dedicated bus lanes and priority signalling.

The new services reduce air pollution and traffic congestion, opening new routes and pathways formerly constricted by the structural dislocation of apartheid, and adding clean, safe and well maintained infrastructure for Cape Town's citizens. Stations and stops are well lit at night and CCTV cameras make public transport safer.

Universal access has also been achieved throughout most of the system, for the first time in Cape Town's public transport history. This includes level boarding at stations, low-floor buses on suburban routes with deployable boarding bridges, tactile paving in and around stations and stops to facilitate access for the blind and visually impaired and audio traffic signals at traffic signal intersections.



CARTAGENA

republic of colombia

MR CARLOS GRANADILLO
Deputy Mayor of Cartagena, Republic of Colombia

ABOUT THE CITY



CITY'S PRIORITIES IN THE NEXT 5 YEARS

TOTAL LAND AREA
572 KM^2

POPULATION SIZE
892,545

POPULATION DENSITY
1,560 PER KM^2

CONTACT/ www.cartagena.gov.co



SOWING HOUSES, REAP FUTURE

On 18th May 2014, 110 rural villagers in the Bayunca area of Cartagena received housing solutions that will improve their lives. The initiative is under the framework of the program "Sowing houses reap future," a signed agreement between the Ministry of Housing through the Agricultural Bank and the District of Cartagena mediated by Corvivienda .

According to Deputy Minister of Agriculture, Aníbal Fernández , the project aims to combat extreme poverty. The Bayunca horticulturists' project has an overall cost of 2,280 million pesos. In later stages of the project, approximately 657 families in the rural areas of Cartagena's Pasacaballos, Puerto King, Manzanillo del Mar, Arroyo Piedra and Arroyo Grande districts will benefit.

María Victoria Donado de Vélez of the District's Social Department, stressed the importance of this collaboration between the National Government and the District management to achieve the goals laid out in Cartagena's Development Plan, 'YES, NOW, CARTAGENA !'

Alvaro Navas, president of the Agrarian Bank announced that the 110 homes are just the first step in helping to make these families 100% productive and equipped the means to generate their own income, and achieve greater personal development. He said that these families have taken a big step to take ownership of their homes and to create better lives for themselves. He called on the beneficiaries to care for their homes and to keep them clean and well-maintained for the well-being of themselves and their children.

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CITY OF CEBU

republic of the philippines

HONOURABLE MICHAEL L. RAMA
Mayor of Cebu City, Republic of the Philippine

Mayor Michael Rama was born in Cebu City. He is a lawyer who worked for private firms and companies in Cebu City. He began his public service as a city councilor (1992-2001) and became a Vice Mayor for three consecutive terms (2001-2010). In 2010, he was appointed as Cebu City mayor, now serving his second term until 2016.

Under his leadership, the city received awards in the area of local governance like the "Cebu City Asean City of Culture in Creative Industries" in July 2011 and the "Gawad Pamanang Lahi Award for Exemplary Performance in Local Governance" in 2011 conferred by the Department of Interior and Local Government. In 2012, the city received the "Seal of Good Housekeeping" Award" conferred by the DILG and First Prize in the G2B Category in the eGovernance Award in 2012 and 2013 conferred by the National ICT Confederation of the Philippines.

Mayor Michael Rama is actively involved in community work. He is member of the Young Lawyers Association of Cebu (YLAC) and an active member of the Rotary Club of Cebu.

ABOUT THE CITY



CITY'S PRIORITIES IN THE NEXT 5 YEARS

- High Quality of Life: A Vibrant City Life
- Integrated Long-term Planning: Balancing Stakeholder Interests
- Competitive Economy: Driving Investments

TOTAL LAND AREA
315.0 KM²

POPULATION SIZE
866,171

POPULATION DENSITY
2,700 PER KM²

CONTACT/ www.cebu.gov.ph



LET THERE BE LIGHT PROGRAM

The "Let There Be Light Program" is being implemented by the Cebu City Government and the Visayan Electric Company, Inc.(VECO). It started in August 15, 2012 under the administration of Mayor Michael L. Rama.

The "Let There Be Light Program" addresses the first of the Millenium Development Goals of the Philippines to eradicate extreme poverty and hunger. The programme's target beneficiaries are the city's urban poor sector whose living conditions in the absence of electric power deserve to be uplifted, for them to live decent, healthy, moral and lawful lives and be given assistance and support for the health, safety and security of their lives. The Cebu City Government believes that the presence or absence of electric power is a driver of the economic, social and health conditions of a community.

The programme grants temporary electrical permits without cost to qualified urban poor households who are recognized by the local government. Through the programme and the provision light and electricity, electrical pilferage and crime rates are decreased.

Out of the 20,468 applicants for programme, 9,083 are already installed with electric connection while other applicants are still complying with the requirements. The 20,468 applicants are part of the 52,718 total households or families who have availed of the urban poor housing and lot amortization programs under the Division for the Welfare of the Urban Poor (DWUP).



CHENGDU

people's republic of china

MR GOU ZHENGLI
Vice Mayor of Chengdu, People's Republic of China

Gou Zhengli graduated from Lanzhou University majoring in Chinese Language & Literature and received an Executive Master Degree, Business Administration (EMBA) from the University of Electronic Science and Technology of China (UESTC).

From Dec 2011, he was appointed as the Vice Mayor of the Chengdu Municipal People's Government and a Member of the Party Leadership Group in charge of human resources and social security, civil administration and migration. From Jan 2007 to Aug 2008 he was a Member of the Standing Committee of CPC Ziyang Committee, Executive Vice Mayor of the Ziyang Municipal People's Government, Deputy Secretary of Party Leadership Group and Director General of the Municipal Administrative Institute.

In 2011 he became the Deputy Secretary General of CPC Ziyang Committee and Secretary General, Member of the Party Leadership Group, Chengdu Municipal People's Government and Vice Mayor of Chengdu Municipal People's Government, a Member of the Party Leadership Group.

ABOUT THE CITY



CITY'S PRIORITIES IN THE NEXT 5 YEARS

TOTAL LAND AREA
2,129 KM²

POPULATION SIZE
7,677,100

POPULATION DENSITY
3,600 PER KM²

CONTACT/ www.chengdu.gov.cn



TIANFU NEW DISTRICT

The Tianfu New District is an ambitious project that aims to accelerate Chengdu's development towards a modern, international, environmentally-sound metropolis conducive to finance, trade and living. The new district is a huge swath of land linking the prosperous southern end of the city with several smaller satellite towns, transforming the whole area into a "city within a city" that will house major global financial firms, the Tianfu Software Park and several incubation centers for IT and bio-chemical-related endeavors, the world's largest stand-alone building, and one of the most beautiful contemporary art centers in China, designed by Zaha Hadid.

Geographically, the Tianfu New District encompasses the southern part of the Chengdu High-Tech Development Zone, the Chengdu Economic and Technological Development Zone, the Southwest Airport Economic Development Zone, the Pengshan Economic Development Zone, and the Renshou Meishan Shigao Economic Development Zone.

Several top-level and multi-billion dollar industrial facilities and clusters are currently under construction in Tianfu New District, according to the Chengdu Industrial and Commercial Bureau.

Tianfu New District is now, and through 2015, undergoing a rapid growth phase. Its basic infrastructural support is already conducive to the accelerated growth of the manufacturing and services industries located within the multiple development zones within the district. Tianfu's directors hope to grow it into an industrial sister city to Chengdu by 2020, and to transform it into a modern residential and commercial city by 2030.

Source:
http://www.gochengdu.cn/investing/chengdu-tianfu-new-city



CHENNAI

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MR RAJEEV RANJAN
IAS, Principal Secretary to Government, Highways and Minor Ports Department, Government of Tamil Nadu, Republic of India

Mr. Rajeev Ranjan is the Principal Secretary to Government, Highways & Minor Ports Department, in the Government of Tamil Nadu looking after the development of roads and ports infrastructure in the State which has taken several initiatives under the PPP mode recently.

In his previous assignments, he has have handled several major projects and have extensive experience in Finance Department at the State Government Level as Deputy Secretary & Additional Secretary. He has also worked as Officer on Special Duty for the 12th Finance Commission. He has worked as Director (GOI), Department of Industrial Policy and Promotion and later as Joint Secretary in National Manufacturing Competitiveness Council under the Ministry of Commerce and Industry. He also held the post of Principal Secretary to Government, Industries Department; Commercial Taxes and Registration Department; and Revenue Department and as Chairman, Tamil Nadu Electricity Board, TANGEDCO and TANTRANSCO.

ABOUT THE CITY



CITY'S PRIORITIES IN THE NEXT 5 YEARS

TOTAL LAND AREA
1,189 KM^2

POPULATION SIZE
8,696,010

POPULATION DENSITY
7,300 PER KM^2

CONTACT/ www.chennaicorporation.gov.in



DECENTRALISATION FOR DECONGESTION

The Government of Tamil Nadu addresses transportation challenges through capacityh augmentation, development of pedestrian facilities, decentralisation and integrating various modes of transport.

Moreover, the government also developed peripheral roads to support this transportation development programmes.

Chennai Outer Ring Road: This is one of the major project being executed by Highways and Minor Ports Department being executed under DBFOT mode at an investment of INR 21.60 Billions. It's a six lane road including the 22m reserve space in the middle for future public transport corridor.

Since this is a major orbital corridor for Chennai Metro region, the traffic emanating on this corridor will have to be provided with effective dispersal system to link with the radial corridors and thus a grid system of road with radial and orbital linkages have been proposed.

Chennai Peripheral Ring Road: To address the rapid industrialization and other new developments on the peripheral of Chennai, alternate connectivity between major ports with industrial clusters and between major towns etc. the concept of Chennai Peripheral Ring Road is envisaged at an estimated cost of INR 115 Billions to a length of 110 Km.



CITY OF DARWIN

commonwealth of australia

THE RIGHT WORSHIPFUL THE LORD MAYOR OF DARWIN KATRINA FONG LIM

Commonwealth of Australia

Katrina was born in 1961 in Darwin. She worked for thirteen years with the Commonwealth Public Service, undertaking a variety of jobs in a range of government departments.

Katrina worked for 20 years for non-profit sectors including the YWCA, Crafts Council, NT Centenary of Federation and most recently as the Executive Director of Australia Day Council NT. Katrina has a Bachelor of Business with a double major in Human Resource Management and Marketing. She also holds a Master of Professional Accounting from the University of Southern Queensland. Katrina operated a small business in Darwin, initially delivering Financial Management Training to builders through the Master Builders Association NT.

Katrina was voted Lord Mayor of Darwin in April 2012, and together with twelve elected Aldermen, will lead the 21st Council of Darwin for a period of four years.

ABOUT THE CITY



CITY'S PRIORITIES IN THE NEXT 5 YEARS

- Dynamic Urban Governance: Fostering Good Governance
- Intelligent Cities
- Competitive Economy: Driving Investments

TOTAL LAND AREA
112 KM^2

POPULATION SIZE
81,670

POPULATION DENSITY
729 PER_2 KM

CONTACT/www.darwin.nt.gov.au



DARWIN CITY CENTRE MASTER PLAN "UNLOCKING THE POTENTIAL"

Darwin is Australia's northern most capital city and is known for its unique, relaxed tropical lifestyle and diverse culture. The central business district (CBD) is the economic hub of the City and is essential to future growth and success of the region.

The Darwin City Centre Master Plan (the Master Plan) depicts a shared vision for the City for the next 20 years and provides a roadmap to unlock the city's potential and guide its growth. Funded by the Australian Government, the Northern Territory Government and the City of Darwin, the Master Plan aims to improve the liveability, productivity and sustainability of Darwin.

Central to the development of the Master Plan has been local collaboration. Stakeholder engagement and consultation strategies delivered more than 120 workshops, technical master planning workshops, stakeholder meetings and local input, resulting in a plan that truly reflects the needs and aspirations of our community.

The Master Plan is a living document. It will allow governments to plan for new infrastructure, upgrade the existing public realm and create certainty for private sector investment and growth. The Master Plan articulates the principles that will guide Darwin's growth and relate directly to the goals and design principles of the National Urban Design Protocol which fulfil the criteria of the Council of Australian Governments (COAG) Criteria for Australian Capital Cities.

The Master Plan is underpinned by eight design rationales. The design rationales are implemented through a number of proposed concepts intended to ensure that the Master Plan is delivered progressively. The "deliverability" of the Master Plan has been a key determinant of its structure and content. Key qualities of the plan are that it is "evidence-based" and "project-oriented". This will ensure that the plan continues to guide future development and strategic investment in Darwin's CBD, creating a liveable, productive and sustainable City.



DHOFAR MUNICIPALITY

sultanate of oman

HIS EXCELLENCY SALIM BIN UFAIT AL-SHANFRI

Chairman of Dhofar Municipality, Sultanate of Oman

His Excellency Sheikh Salem bin Aufait Al Shanfari is the Chairman of Dhofar Municipality, and also headed the main committee for the annual Salalah Tourism Festival 10 in 2010. His Excellency also heads the audit committee of the Dhofar Beverages Food Stuff company.

ABOUT THE CITY



CITY'S PRIORITIES IN THE NEXT 5 YEARS

TOTAL LAND AREA
99,300 KM²

POPULATION SIZE
346,046

POPULATION DENSITY
3.5 PER KM²

CONTACT/www.dm.gov.om



SALALAH FREE ZONE

The Salalah Free Zone (SFZ) is a customs- and tax-free industrial development aimed at capitalising on the thriving Salalah Port and regionally cost-competitive labour force of Oman. The first of its kind in the Oman Sultanate, the economic zone now boasts investments worth up to $3.6 billion, spanning a wide variety of industries such as manufacturing, commercial, and petrochemical developments. The SFZ is currently undergoing a ten-year expansion plan.

The SFZ was conceived in 2006 and has contributed to development of the region's economy with the attraction of a wide variety of industries. By drawing international investment, the growth and expansion plans of the zone and Salalah port have boosted local business through higher localised demand for food, water and residential developments. Job creation has also boosted local income.

The free zone takes an open approach to industry development and allows for 100% foreign ownership of Free Zone companies, non-stipulation of minimum capital requirements, and no taxes on companies' profits and dividends. In return, the Free Zone has boosted the reputation of the Salalah Port and contributed to development of the region.

The SFZ is a key part of the Oman 2020 vision economic development plan devised in 1995. With the development of this industrial zone, the Omani workforce has exposure to international business and best practices, building capacity of the local work force.

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CITY OF DUBAI

united arab emirates

HIS EXCELLENCY HUSSAIN NASSER LOOTAH

Director-General of Dubai Municipality
United Arab Emirates

His Excellency Hussain Nasser Lootah was appointed Acting Director-General of Dubai Municipality since February 2006. He was promoted to Director-General in January 2009. Mr Lootah began his career as an engineer with the Federal Ministry of Electricity and Water, where he was appointed later as Assistant Director-General for Environment and Public Health Affairs. In 2004, he was transferred to the post of Assistant Director-General for Planning and Building Affairs. He was promoted in December 2005 to the post of Deputy Director-General of Dubai Municipality. He was instrumental in winning some 30 local, regional and international awards for Dubai Municipality. As the Director-General of Dubai Municipality, Mr Lootah played a significant role in setting up the UAE Engineers Society, and held the post of Chairman from 1992 to 1996. Mr Lootah is also a member of the Executive Council of the Dubai government, where he heads a number of committees. Mr Lootah is an active member of numerous governmental and non-governmental boards, committees and councils, both on the local and international levels.

ABOUT THE CITY



CITY'S PRIORITIES IN THE NEXT 5 YEARS

- Sustainable Environment: Water & Waste Management
- Intelligent Cities
- High Quality of Life: A Vibrant City Life

TOTAL LAND AREA
4,114 KM²

POPULATION SIZE
2,262,000

POPULATION DENSITY
408.18 PER KM²

CONTACT/ www.dm.gov.ae



GREEN BUILDINGS REGULATION

The Dubai government aims to be among the world's top sustainable cities by 2020 as a strategic goal to enhance Dubai's leadership in sustainability efforts in all sectors and levels. Its vision in Dubai Municipality is "Creating an Excellent City that provides the Essence of Success and Comfort for Sustainable Living."

Building a sustainable city includes all aspects and pillars that impact the society, economy and environment. Green Buildings Regulations and their specifications were established in 2010 by the Dubai Municipality to improve the sustainability of its buildings by enhancing the healthy indoor lifestyle for people inside the buildings and saving on the consumption of water, electricity and raw materials in construction and also in the operation phase. The regulations were mandatory for government projects and optional for other types ofprojects between 2011 to 2013, and by the end of the experimental stage the government evaluated the implementation and market needs before mandating for all new projects from March 2014 to be green projects.

The key targets for Dubai's Green Buildings Regulations include lowering the consumption of water and electricity, reducing waste, reducing CO2 emissions with reasonable and controlled increments in costs with future plans to prevent any additional cost compared to traditional projects.

Building a sustainable city depends on the integration between the buildings and infrastructure. Deciding what are the best practices in construction should be aligned with sustainable infrastructure to gain the maximum benefits and profits for the society and other aspects of sustainability.



FORTALEZA

federative republic of brazil

MR ROBERTO CLÁUDIO
Mayor of Fortaleza, Federative Republic of Brazil

In 2012, Dr. Roberto Cláudio Frota Bezerra Neto was elected mayor of Fortaleza, the fifth-largest city in Brazil, at just 37 years old. Dr. Cláudio was trained in Brazil as a medical doctor, before earning his Masters in Public Health and Doctorate in Epidemiology (with a minor in public administration) from the University of Arizona.

Roberto Cláudio's campaign focused on health, education and transport issues. In the area of public transport, he intends to implement an integrated bus, subway and light rail ticketing system, build tunnels and expressways, as well as plug holes in the street.

ABOUT THE CITY



CITY'S PRIORITIES IN THE NEXT 5 YEARS

TOTAL LAND AREA
313.8 KM^2

POPULATION SIZE
2,551,806

POPULATION DENSITY
8,100 PER KM^2

CONTACT/ www.fortaleza.ce.gov.br



VILLAGE OF PRAIA PROGRAMME

Fortaleza is home to the greatest number of tourists in Brazil. Over the last 15 years, the number of tourists visiting the city has quadrupled, reaching 2.8 million in 2011. With this influx of visitors, municipal officials have sought to strengthen the tourism sector through orderly, productive and sustainable growth.

The Village of Praia Programe promotes a series of projects intended to improve urban land management, transforming productivity by creating jobs and income, reducing social inequalities, improving environmental sustainability, ensuring public safety and developing the region's cultural heritage. The Fortaleza Municipal Secretary of Tourism oversees the USD$166 million project, of which USD$83 million will be financed by CAF Development Bank of Latin America. Through expansion of the tourism sector, the city's competitiveness and growth is enhanced, employment is generated, social inclusion boosted and regional inequalities reduced.

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GIFU PREFECTURE

japan

HIS EXCELLENCY HAJIME FURUTA

Governor of Gifu Prefecture, Japan

Governor Hajime Furuta is currently serving his third successive term as Governor of Gifu Prefecture in the central region of Japan. He began his first term as Governor of Gifu Prefecture in February 2005.

He began his career at the Ministry of International Trade and Industry (MITI) in 1971, having graduated the same year with a Bachelor of Law from Tokyo University. From November 1974 until June 1976, he studied at the Ecole Nationale d'Administration in France.He served as Executive Secretary to Prime Ministers Hata and Murayama between 1994 and 1996 and was Director-General of the Economic Co-operation Bureau at Japan's Ministry of Foreign Affairs between 2002 and 2004. There, he was tasked with reforming Japan's Official Development Assistance (ODA) programme.

ABOUT THE CITY



CITY'S PRIORITIES IN THE NEXT 5 YEARS

- High Quality of Life: A Vibrant City Life
- Integrated Long-term Planning: Balancing Stakeholder Interests
- Dynamic Urban Governance: Fostering Good Governance

TOTAL LAND AREA
10,621 KM^2

POPULATION SIZE
2,047,855

POPULATION DENSITY
195 PER_2 KM

CONTACT/www.pref.gifu.lg.jp/English



GIFU: THE LAND OF CLEAR WATERS

Bountiful forests occupy 82% of Gifu Prefecture's total land area, giving rise to pristine, clear waters. A number of streams filled with these waters — which collectively hold the largest potential for hydroelectric power in the country — flow through the prefecture into the sea.

These clear waters nurture the rich natural resources, foster industrial development, and provide local people with a comfortable and diverse living environment. Gifu Prefecture is known as "The Land of Clear Waters" and that in turn forms a fundamental part of its people's identity.

In 2014, to show the prefecture's pride in its clear waters, it created the Gifu Prefectural Charter for "The Land of Clear Waters." Currently, it is putting into practice a number of community and urban development projects such as improving the living environment and promoting tourism and industry.

In 2020, the Olympic and Paralympic Games will be held in Tokyo. In anticipation of this opportunity, the prefecture has also begun efforts such as promoting sports, to showcase its attractiveness to the whole world.



GUANGZHOU

people's republic of china

MR TANG GUO CAI
Head of Guangzhou International Award for Urban Innovation, People's Republic of China

Mr. Tang Guo Cai was born in September 1970 in Jiangsu Province, China. He now serves as the Deputy Director General of the Foreign Affairs Office, Guangzhou Municipal People's Government.

Mr. Tang has worked in his current position since November 2012. Prior to that, he had worked as Counselor at the Liaison Office of the Central People's Government in the Hong Kong S.A.R. since September 2009. From July 2006 to September 2009, he had worked as Counselor and Director at the Policy Planning Department of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the People's Republic of China. From May 2002 to July 2006, he had served as First Secretary and Counselor at the Embassy of the People's Republic of China in the United States of America.

ABOUT THE CITY



CITY'S PRIORITIES IN THE NEXT 5 YEARS

TOTAL LAND AREA
7434.4 KM^2

POPULATION SIZE
17,000,000

POPULATION DENSITY
2,287 PER KM^2

CONTACT/ www.english.gz.gov.cn



Co-hosted by UCLG, Metropolis, and the Guangzhou Municipal Government, the Guangzhou International Award for Urban Innovation aims to reward innovations to improve the socio-economic environments in cities and regions, promote sustainability, and hence advance the livelih ood of their citizens. Presented biennially, the award will encourage and recognize outstanding innovative projects and practices in the public sector, including innovative achievements in such thematic fields as Public Services, Organization and Administration, Partnership and Citizen Involvement, Smart City, Sustainable City, and others.

In 2012 five city initiatives won the first cycle of the Guangzhou Award: Kocaeli (Turkey), Lilongwe (Malawi), Seoul (Korea) Vancouver (Canada), Vienna (Austria).

The second Guangzhou International Award for Urban Innovation will take place in November 2014. The Award is now calling for submissions.



HIDALGO

united mexican states

MR JOSÉ FRANCISCO OLVERA RUIZ
Governor of Hidalgo, United Mexican States

Born in Pachuca, José Francisco Olvera Ruiz attended law school in Hidalgo State University. He holds a Masters in Public Administration from the Monterrey Institute of Technology and Higher Education and the University of the Mexican Valley.

He began his career in Public Administration as Chief Director of the State Land Registration Office for nine years. Twice, he was designated Hidalgo's State Legislator. In 1995, he was commissioned Director of the General Notary Archives, and between 1999 and 2001 he became the State's Government Legal General Coordinator. In 2005, he became the State's Government Chief Minister.

In 2009, he was elected Mayor of Pachuca city. He initiated the creation of Hidalgo's Mayors Association, which is affiliated to the Municipalities' National Federation (FENAM). He was elected FENAM's National President of the Central Area and the Municipal Association of Mexico (AMMAC) in 2009. He was elected as Governor of Hidalgo and took office in April 2011.

ABOUT THE CITY



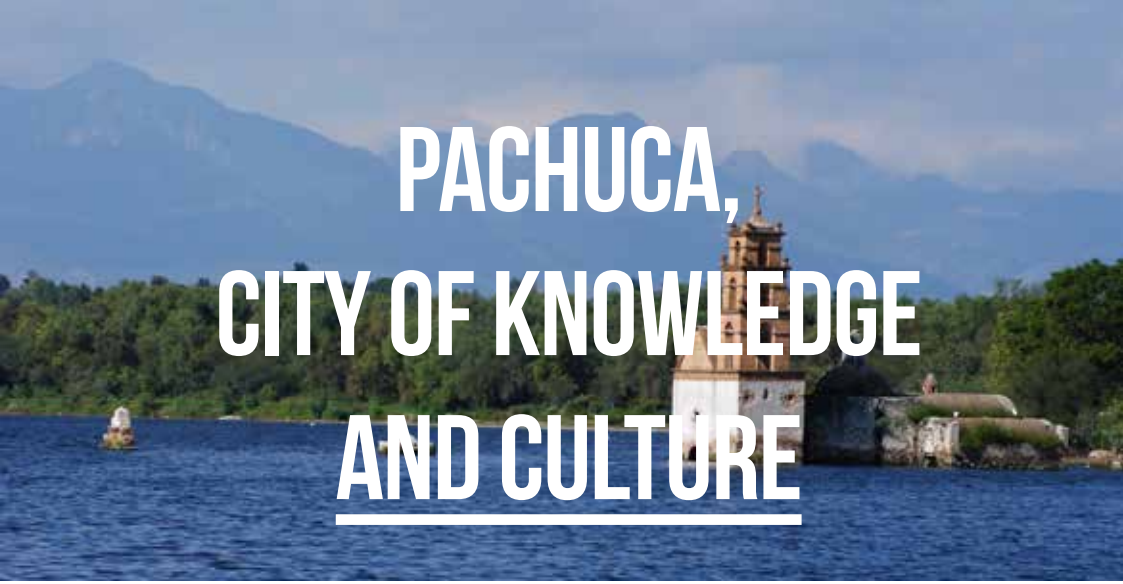
CITY'S PRIORITIES IN THE NEXT 5 YEARS

TOTAL LAND AREA
20,813 KM²

POPULATION SIZE
2,820,238

POPULATION DENSITY
135 PER KM²

CONTACT/ www.hidalgo.gob.mx



PACHUCA, CITY OF KNOWLEDGE AND CULTURE

Turning Pachuca's metropolitan zone into a city of knowledge and culture is one of the most important projects of the Government of the State of Hidalgo. This great task aims to turn the city's main economic activities towards education and research.

Tapping its strategic location in the centre of Mexico and its extraordinary connectivity, the intention is to consolidate Pachuca as a knowledge hub in the region, which produces 40% of the national GDP, captures 70% of foreign direct investments, and contributes with 40% of the country's exports.

By focusing on processes of innovation, technological development and innovation, "Pachuca, City of Knowledge and Culture" will bring together the academic, commercial and governmental sectors.

Additionally, an urban development of 178 hectares (1.78km^2) of land situated at the crossroads of this project has allowed the construction of the largest and most modern campuses of Mexico´s National Polytechnic Institute (IPN), various technology parks, research centres, and an exhibition and convention centre. The plan is to develop a modern territorial space with world-class features where education, science and innovation coexist with culture and recreation within a sustainable environment with exceptional transportation routes, security, green areas and high-tech services.

The Government of the State of Hidalgo has set out the objective of generating knowledge in order to boost development and economy as well as to create more and better jobs and improve the quality of life of those living in Hidalgo.



HO CHI MINH CITY

socialist republic of vietnam

HIS EXCELLENCY NGUYEN HUU TIN

Vice Chairman of People's Committee of Ho Chi Minh City, Socialist Republic of Vietnam

Mr. Nguyen Huu Tin is the Vice Chairman (Vice Mayor) of Ho Chi Minh City People's Committee. He was appointed as Vice Chairman from 2004 to 2008 and was re-appointed in August 2011.

Prior to his appointment to Ho Chi Minh City People's Committee, he served as Deputy Director General and then Director General of Ho Chi Minh City Department of Planning and Investment (from 1997 – 2004).

He is now in charge of urban planning and management. His aspirations are to transform Ho Chi Minh City into a more vibrant, liveable and sustainable city in Southeast Asia. He strongly advocates international cooperation in tackling city challenges including climate change, flooding and environmental pollution.

Mr. Nguyen Huu Tin was born in October 1957. He holds a Bachelor's degree in Physics and a Master's degree in Development Economics.

ABOUT THE CITY



CITY'S PRIORITIES IN THE NEXT 5 YEARS

TOTAL LAND AREA
2,095 KM²

POPULATION SIZE
8,190,775

POPULATION DENSITY
3,909 PER KM²

CONTACT/ www.hochiminhcity.gov.vn



CLIMATE CHANGE ADAPTATION

Ho Chi Minh City faces many challenges in adapting to climate change, whereby the densely populated delta city experiences frequent flooding due to heavy rainfall and the city's low-lying position. Major threats include a rising sea level, higher river discharges and the city's expansion towards the sea.

The government has partnered with the city of Rotterdam in developing a Climate Adaptation Strategy, as the city and harbour inch towards the sea. The Climate Adaptation Strategy will be directed at long-term and sustainable socio-economic development of the city. Rotterdam shall share knowledge and experience through the Rotterdam Climate Initiative in this project.

An integrated approach is undertaken, as working groups work together on multiple stakeholder levels, disciplines, geographical and time scales. The "Esperanto" (constructed international auxiliary language) of drawing is utilised to connect local Vietnamese knowledge and expertise and Dutch expertise, effectively bringing different disciplines together in conversation, and forming cohesive ideas.

Source: http://www.vcaps.org/en/



CITY OF HOBART

commonwealth of australia

THE RIGHT HONOURABLE THE LORD MAYOR OF HOBART ALDERMAN DAMON THOMAS, Commonwealth of Australia

As the Lord Mayor of Hobart, Alderman Damon Thomas has a passion for the potential of Hobart and long term interest in the City's future.

Alderman Thomas has an outstanding background in local and State Government, business and the Tasmanian community. He is a qualified lawyer with an extensive professional background that has encompassed significant public and private sector senior executive, director and statutory roles.

His achievements include appointments as Tasmanian Crown Solicitor, State Ombudsman, and Health Complaints Commissioner and CEO of the Tasmanian Chamber of Commerce and Industry. He is currently head of the Salvation Army Red Shield Appeal and is the Korean Consul. He works closely with the Australian Retailers Association, staying in touch with the needs of retailers at national and local levels.

Alderman Thomas is committed to a vision for the future that will include stronger Council partnerships with business, rate payers and the community.

ABOUT THE CITY



CITY'S PRIORITIES IN THE NEXT 5 YEARS

- High Quality of Life: A Vibrant City Life
- Competitive Economy: Driving Investments
- Intelligent Cities

TOTAL LAND AREA
1,695.5 KM²

POPULATION SIZE
217,973

POPULATION DENSITY
124.8 PER KM²

CONTACT/ www.hobartcity.com.au



URBAN RENEWAL

Cradled at the bottom of the world, Hobart is in an exciting phase of urban renewal combining private and public enterprise aided by the confidence of private investors, no doubt inspired by a new sense of optimism in the future.

The University of Tasmania is developing new state of the art buildings in the CBD and waterfront. These developments, including long term accommodation have enhanced the vibrancy, colour and vitality of our city, inspiring a new sense of purpose and complementing the work undertaken by Gehl Architects aimed at creating a new sense of civic place.

Connected communities are measured in terms of cultural vibrancy; educational excellence; music and diversity. There is no greater example of this nationally than the impact of the city's world-class, privately owned, Museum of Old and New Art (MONA) which has an ever increasing involvement with the City.

MONA is now partnering with Hobart in the running of a significant new winter festival. Dark MOFO is an amazing and intriguing treatment of the winter solstice and its traditions. Its centrepiece in 2013 was a 16km beam of light into the night sky! 2014 promises to be just as visionary.

Year round festivals guarantee a world class experience for both residents and visitors to Hobart, inviting people to re-engage via new formats and experiences.

Proposed new direct international air access provides the perfect opportunity for strong growth as a unique and engaging great global small city.

Hobart invites you to visit, invest and relax in its surrounds.

Photographer: Jonathan Wherrett



ILOILO CITY

republic of the philippines

HONORABLE JED PATRICK E. MABILOG

Mayor of Iloilo City, Republic of the Philippines

Mayor Jed Patrick E. Mabilog earned his degree in Biological Science at West Visayas State University, followed by a Master's degree in Public Management and a PhD in Human Resources Management. He also completed an Executive Fellowship Program in Public Administration at the Harvard Kennedy School.

In 2004, he was elected No. 1 City Councillor. He then became Vice Mayor, and ultimately, Mayor of Iloilo City in 2010. He is now serving his second term after being re-elected in 2013. Mayor Jed Patrick E. Mabilog is the only Elected Councillor who garnered over 130,000 votes (93.6% margin) in the election history of the City of Iloilo.

He authored the Iloilo City Investment and Incentives Code of 2006 which jumpstarted various economic activities in the city. He is Chairman of the Iloilo City Task Force on Economic Promotion and concurrently Chairman of the Iloilo City Peace and Order Council.

ABOUT THE CITY



CITY'S PRIORITIES IN THE NEXT 5 YEARS

TOTAL LAND AREA
78.34 KM²

POPULATION SIZE
424,619

POPULATION DENSITY
5,240 PER KM²

CONTACT/ www.iloilo.gov.ph



ILOILO BATIANO RIVER DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL

Created in 2004 and headed by the City Mayor, the Iloilo Batiano River Development Council leads and coordinates national agencies, non-government organisations, academics and civil society in the rehabilitation and protection of Iloilo River, a 15-kilometre estuary that divides the major districts of Iloilo City.

The key challenges included siltation, water quality, port management and biodiversity, and this list grew over time. In 2005 the first-ever city-wide sanitation campaign was launched. In 2008 the Iloilo Batiano River Water Quality Management Area was organised to address water quality issues. In 2011 the inaugural Iloilo River Summit was held.

Today, there are regular clean-up drives to remove debris from the river, and low-cost wastewater treatment technologies have been implemented. Illegal fish pens were cleared, mangroves have been reforested with 25,000 seedlings planted, and there is now improved public access to a cleaner, healthier river.

The Iloilo River Development Project was honoured by the International Awards for Livable Communities (LivCom) in 2010 and 2011. In 2013, the Iloilo Batiano River was one of four finalists in the prestigious Thiess International Riverprize highlighted at the 16th International Riversymposium in Brisbane, Australia.

Source:

http://www.riverfoundation.org.au



JAKARTA

republic of indonesia

HIS EXCELLENCY SUTANTO SOEHODHO
Deputy Governor of Jakarta, Republic of Indonesia

Prof. Soetanto has held positions such as CEO of a toll road company, director of a cement industry, Vice Rector of the University of Indonesia, and finally, the Deputy Governor of Jakarta.

As Deputy Governor, he envisions Jakarta as a modern service city which can compete with other developed cities. His emphasis is on the development of transport systems which are the backbone of the Jakarta economy as a service city.

ABOUT THE CITY



CITY'S PRIORITIES IN THE NEXT 5 YEARS

TOTAL LAND AREA
650.40 KM^2

POPULATION SIZE
9,580,000

POPULATION DENSITY
14,730 PER_2 KM

CONTACT/ www.jakarta.go.id



BUILDING THE CITY'S URBAN PUBLIC TRANSPORT SYSTEM

The government is presently prioritising the development of Jakarta city's public transport infrastructure after decades of focusing mainly on developing its road networks. With a burgeoning population reaching almost 10 million at a density of almost 15,000 people/km2, coupled with unrelenting traffic growth and the continued rise in car ownership, the city's roads are under increasing strain and experiencing worsening congestion. Larger overall commuting volumes are also being further spurred on by the phenomenon of wealthier Jakartans who work in the city relocating to city outskirts so as to reside in more conducive home environments.

Hence, since 2013 the government has committed to investing 9 trillion rupiah (S927 million) to build the city's monorail system in a bid to enhance the city's public transport services capacity and generate cost savings. Stretching 54 km, the monorail will link Jakarta, Cibubur and Bekasi, and once completed come 2015, will carry as many as 191,600 passengers daily, saving about 573,000 liters of fuel each day to save up to 1.5 trillion rupiah each year. Moreover, the city's first subway system will begin operating in 2016, thus helping to further alleviate the city's transportation woes.

Furthermore, incorporated along with these transportation plans are intentions to focus spatial planning efforts on locating housing near mass transit terminals and feeder railway networks, so as to maximise convenience and connectivity for the city's commuters.

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KOTA JAMBI

republic of indonesia

HIS EXCELLENCY SYARIF FASHA
Mayor of Jambi, Republic of Indonesia

Mr. Syarif Fasha is an entrepreneur with a Masters Degree in Economic Development from Jambi University and a specialty in Management. Mr. Fasha has strong experience in leading in private organizations. He began his career in 1990 as a Consulting Engineer Supervisor. In 1998 he became a director of PT. Bina Konsido Persada, and in 2009 became owner of Persada Group, a construction firm. He was named Chairman of Gapeknas (National Association of Contractor Businessmen) in Jambi Province, Indonesia as well as Chairman of ATAKI (Construction Experts Association of Indonesia).

Mr. Fasha was elected Jambi City Mayor in 2013 for a term expiring in 2018. His mission is to make Jambi City a center of trade and services built on a foundation of local community and culture. He seeks to transform city bureaucracy with a "leadership and bureaucracy entrepreneurship approach" to provide better public service with less red tape to efficiently meet the basic needs of Jambi's citizens and to increase local revenue.

ABOUT THE CITY



CITY'S PRIORITIES IN THE NEXT 5 YEARS

- Sustainable Environment: Water & Waste Management
- Competitive Economy: Driving Investments
- Dynamic Urban Governance: Fostering Good Governance

TOTAL LAND AREA
175.53 KM²

POPULATION SIZE
557,215

POPULATION DENSITY
2,713 PER KM²

CONTACT/ www.kotajambi.go.id



SANITATION IMPROVEMENT AND GREEN HOUSE EMISSION REDUCTION

Jambi City has continuing programmes that aim to reduce greenhouse emissions and improve health and sanitation.

The city produces 1440 M3/day of waste and currently only 61% is collected and transferred to the landfill. The remainder are burned and untreated. With annual population growth of 3.15% each year, Jambi City needs and plans to increase its collection capacity to 80%.

We also encourage waste reduction by empowering the community to reduce, recycle and reuse its waste. We currently have 31 Waste Banks organisations that collect, recycle and resell waste.

Each member has a bank account, which either issues cash or credits to the their account when a "deposit" is made. "Waste Banks" currently contribute to Jambi City's 3R programs. We are committed to becoming a green city with sustainable infrastructure to support our City's mission to become a center of trade and services based on local community and culture.

In our effort to be environmentally friendly, we have become the site of GIZ – VNAMA's pilot project in Indonesia to promote a solid waste management program for Green House Gas Reduction. Mayor Syarif Fasha also declared a policy to plant one tree for every newlywed couple while every building in the city must plant a tree for each of its floors. We will increase city parks and forest to make 30% of our land area green areas used for public social functions.

Jambi city also plans to build a sanitary landfill together with the Indonesian Public Housing Department and KfW. We also plan to build a small waste water treatment plant – Jambi's first - to reduce ground water pollution.



JEDDAH

kingdom of saudi arabia

HIS EXCELLENCY DR HANI ABURAS
Mayor of Jeddah, Kingdom of Saudi Arabia

Dr Hani Mohammad Aburas received his formal training in industrial engineering. He has a PhD from Central Florida University and over 20 years' experience in the private and public sectors. In 1995, he joined King Abdul Aziz University as a lecturer where he became Associate Professor.

He has served Jeddah Municipality since 2005 when he became Deputy Mayor. He worked as Secretary General to the Jeddah Chamber of Commerce and Industry, and was Advisor to the Minister of Commerce and Industry. In August 2010, Dr Hani became Mayor of Jeddah and in 2014, he was nominated for the World Mayor prize.

Dr Hani is committed to providing citizens with improved infrastructures, having recently implemented a major public transportation programme involving commuters, the metro, tram, water ferries, buses, bridges and stations. He encourages public-private partnerships to provide projects for housing, leisure, recreation and commercial development.

ABOUT THE CITY



CITY'S PRIORITIES IN THE NEXT 5 YEARS

- Competitive Economy: Driving Investments
- Intelligent Cities
- Dynamic Urban Governance: Fostering Good Governance

TOTAL LAND AREA
6,460 KM²

POPULATION SIZE
3,460,000

POPULATION DENSITY
525 PER KM²

CONTACT/ www.jeddah.gov.sa/english/



THE JEDDAH STRATEGIC PLAN

Jeddah has experienced the most significant economic growth and change in the past decade. This is a result of rapid population growth, increasing openness to the global economy and the desire to diversify the national economy to meet global standards.

With the rapid urbanisation of Jeddah since the 1950s, a wide range of urban issues have arisen including traffic congestion, unplanned settlements, degeneration of public open space, loss of historic areas and two catastrophic floods. Although there have been successive attempts at urban planning since the 1950s, many of these plans were not successfully implemented.

Population and economic growth have placed significant pressure on the existing urban areas and services across the Jeddah Governorate. To address the urban growth impacts, Jeddah has implemented a number of initiatives and planning strategies, to address and ensure a positive and creative future.

The most significant initiative is the creation of "The Jeddah Strategic Plan", which integrates a three-stage transportation master plan for Jeddah including the world's largest single metro plan; green initiatives to bring the city's environment up to international standards; the improvement of downtown and Jeddah's historic heritage; an infrastructure improvement master plan; and the improvement of Jeddah's coastal line.

Overall, the Strategic Plan addresses significant problems caused by rapid urban growth and provides a framework for the Governorate of Jeddah to respond and tackle future urbanisation challenges.



KAKAMIGAHARA CITY

japan

HIS EXCELLENCY KENJI ASANO
Mayor of Kakamigahara City, Japan

Mayor Asano attended the prominent Kano High School in Gifu Prefecture. Right after graduation in 1991, he showed his ability as a salesperson for Toyota Corolla Gifu and later worked in Toyota's Chubu Service Auto Division from 1996 to 2001. With these experiences, he ran as a candidate for Kakamigahara City Council in March 2001. Upon being elected to the city council at the young age of 28, he served until March 2012, totalling 12 years and three terms. In his last year on the council, he served in the top position as Chairman of the Kakamigahara City Council.

In May 2013, Mr Asano was inaugurated as Mayor of Kakamigahara. He is now vigorously tackling the task of city administration.

ABOUT THE CITY



CITY'S PRIORITIES IN THE NEXT 5 YEARS

- High Quality of Life: A Vibrant City Life
- Integrated Long-term Planning: Balancing Stakeholder Interests
- Dynamic Urban Governance: Fostering Good Governance

TOTAL LAND AREA
87.77 KM^2

POPULATION SIZE
145,604

POPULATION DENSITY
1,658 PER KM^2

CONTACT/ www.city.kakamigahara.lg.jp/international/english/



KAKAMIGAHARA CITY "FIELD HOCKEY COUNTRY"

Kakamigahara is a city with rich natural endowments. Its field hockey stadium, Gifu Green Stadium, has two artificial-turf pitches, and is said to be the best in Asia. Having begun as a base hosting national field hockey competitions, the city has attracted many international competitions since 2002. Kakamigahara City hosted the final qualification matches for men's and women's field hockey for both the 2008 Beijing Olympics and the 2012 London Olympics. This global level of competition both moves and inspires its citizens.

To produce and develop Olympic field hockey athletes, the city actively holds hockey practice starting from early childhood. It also supports plans to nurture competitive athletes from elementary students to working professionals.



KAOHSIUNG

taiwan

MS LIU SHYH-FANG
Deputy Mayor of Kaohsiung, Taiwan

With her Environmental Engineering master's degree, Deputy Mayor Liu has been devoting her efforts to improving the rudimentary level of environmental protection movements and has served as local and central government executive director in Taiwan for many years. Her continuous enthusiasm and professional attitude have led to positive effects for the environmental protection and ecological development of Taiwan. She campaigned for "no trash on the ground" in Taipei City which was a great success. She also played an important role in major health crisies and natural disasters in Taiwan, such as recovering from the 921 Earthquake (1999); the SARS crisis (2003); and reconstruction work from Typhoon Morakot (2009). Her contribution in energy efficiency and carbon reduction over the years is highly valued.

Now, Taiwanese environmental protection groups and professionals and Deputy Mayor Liu will be actively involved with the international community to exchange valuable experiences in fighting against global climate change with regional partner cities.

ABOUT THE CITY



CITY'S PRIORITIES IN THE NEXT 5 YEARS

- Intelligent Cities
- High Quality of Life: A Vibrant City Life
- Dynamic Urban Governance: Fostering Good Governance

TOTAL LAND AREA
2,946 KM²

POPULATION SIZE
2,770,000

POPULATION DENSITY
940 PER KM²

CONTACT/www.kcg.gov.tw/EN



ALL EYES ON ASIA'S NEW BAY AREA IN KAOHSIUNG

As major harbours around the globe undergo redevelopment, many historical port cities are given new life as lustrous, vibrant commercial and tourist centers gilded with waterfront beauty.

Asia's New Bay Area comprises four major building projects and a new waterfront light rail system. The Kaohsiung Exhibition and Convention Center will host major international exhibitions and serve as an integrated marketing platform for the agriculture, IT, yacht, marine technology, automobile, metal fastener, electronics components, and tourism industries in Southern Taiwan, and a propagator of exhibition-related industries. The Port and Cruise Service Center will serve travellers with a yacht industrial park that can hold two 225,000-ton yachts by the pier and entertain 2,000 passengers at an hourly rate. The center will become the headquarters of Taiwan International Ports Corporation and the main harbour for international luxury yachts. The Kaohsiung Maritime Culture and Popular Music Center is slated to be a dynamic hub where roughly 500 bayside exhibitions and musical and cultural performances will be held in the marine culture exhibition centre, indoor performance halls, and outdoor theatere stages throughout the year. The Kaohsiung Main Public Library is the only cables-suspended, eco-friendly piece of architecture in the world. The Waterfront Light Rail is an 8.7- km lifeline that connects the aforementioned constructions and a multi-purpose trade and commerce park, creating a seamless transportation service in the New Bay Area, which, as an open ground for experimental architecture from around the world, will also turn Kaohsiung into a waterfront city of architectural wonders.



KHANH HOA PROVINCE

socialist republic of vietnam

HIS EXCELLENCY NGUYEN CHIEN THANG
Chairman of Khanh Hoa Province
Socialist Republic of Vietnam

Nguyen Chien Thang from Vinh Trung Commune, Nha Trang city, Khanh Hoa province was born in 1955. He holds a Ph.D. degree

Since 2007, he has been a Member of the Provincial Standing Committee, Vice Chairman, Secretary Vice Chairman of Khanh Hoa province.

Previously, he held various positions such as Member of the Provincial Standing Committee, Deputy Provincial Party Committee Organization Department, Head of the Organizing Committee of Khanh Hoa (2005-2006); Head of Technical Department, Provincial Commissioner, Deputy Director and Director of the Department of Fisheries (1999-2005).

He was also a university lecturer in Nha Trang Fisheries (1979-1999) and a lecturer in School of Industrial Engineering, Thu Duc, Ho Chi Minh City (1978-1979).

ABOUT THE CITY



CITY'S PRIORITIES IN THE NEXT 5 YEARS

- **High Quality of Life: A Vibrant City Life**
- **Competitive Economy: Driving Investments**
- **Sustainable Environment: Water & Waste Management**

TOTAL LAND AREA
251 KM²

POPULATION SIZE
500,000

POPULATION DENSITY
1,992 PER KM²

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NHA TRANG "TYPE 1" URBAN CITY

Nha Trang is a centre of maritime-based tourism in Vietnam and the socio-economic centre of Khanh Hoa province. It is also an attractive destination for international travellers, a hub of science, technology, education and training for the South Central Coast and Highlands.

Since 2007, the city began working towards the goal of being recognised as a "Type 1 Urban City" in Vietnam. Its average income per capita was US$1,779 , and GDP increased by an annual average of 13.13% from 2004 to 2007, while land for building urban infrastructure reached 9.6m2/person.

Upon attaining all the requirements, Nha Trang was recognised as a "Type 1 Urban City" in 2009, announced by Vietnam's Deputy Prime Minister with the approval of Vietnam's Prime Minister.

Since then, the city has continued the development momentum by exploring external opportunities. Through expanding investments, Nha Trang aims to contribute to the socio-economic development of Khanh Hoa province in the upcoming years.



CITY OF KIGALI

republic of rwanda

YOUR WORSHIP FIDELE NDAYISABA
Mayor of Kigali, Republic of Rwanda

Ndayisaba Fidele holds a Master's degree in Economics from Sherbrook University in Quebec, Canada. He has wide experience in tax administration and was one of the architects of the local government fiscal system in Rwanda. Mayor Ndayisaba worked at different levels in the Rwandan tax administration for over 10 year. Then in 2006 he was appointed the Executive Secretary of the City of Kigali. In 2007 he was appointed the Governor of the Southern province in Rwanda for 5 years.

He was elected as Mayor of the City of Kigali in 2011 presently serving his first 5-year term.

He has embarked on entrenching proper public financial management in the City of Kigali while also investing in infrastructure development. He has overseen the completion and implementation of the Kigali masterplan. He is also credited with streamlining and organizing public transport , IT in service delivery and the new street addressing system and reforms in facilitating doing business in the city.

ABOUT THE CITY



CITY'S PRIORITIES IN THE NEXT 5 YEARS

TOTAL LAND AREA
730 KM^2

POPULATION SIZE
1,200,000

POPULATION DENSITY
500 PER_2 KM

CONTACT/ www.kigalicity.gov.rw



NEW PUBLIC TRANSPORT SYSTEM IN THE CITY OF KIGALI

On August 30, 2013, the City of Kigali launched a new transport system. These new public transport reforms are in line with the implementation of the public transport policy and strategy approved by the Rwandan Government in October 2012.

The new transport system ushers in a new era for public transport operations in Kigali whereby operators compete for dedicated operation zones and are now operating under a time bound license. It also shifted from operating only full buses to operating on time intervals at each bus stop.

The objective of the reforms are:

-Redesigning public transport routes in order to reduce distances walked by passengers to the nearest bus stop within City of Kigali

-Increasing reliability of public transport services through establishment of scheduled public transport services

-Encouraging the use of modern, smart and bigger buses appropriate for public transport along congested trunk roads in the City of Kigali

-Putting in place a clear and favourable regulatory framework that encourages investment in public transport as a lucrative sector in the City of Kigali.

The new system has increased reliability of public transport services through establishment of scheduled public transport services and also encourages the use of modern, smart, bigger and much more comfortable buses appropriate for public transport along congested trunk roads in the City of Kigali.



KORONADAL CITY

republic of the philippines

HONOURABLE PETER B. MIGUEL
Mayor of Koronadal City

Mayor Peter B. Miguel is a medical doctor by profession who graduated from the University of Santo Tomas in Manila, the Philippines. He is a fellow of the Philippine Society of Otorhinolaryngology Head and Neck Surgery in 2002. He served his first term as City Mayor of Koronadal from 2010–2013 and is now serving his second term for the same position from 2013–2016. He is described as a young and dynamic leader who initiated programmes and projects beyond the usual offerings of basic public services such as the Tree Growing Festival that has planted almost a million trees in the city over the past three years and is planting one million more in 2014, major and minor surgical missions, massive sports training programmes, and with stronger public-private partnerships in almost all activities of the city, to name a few. During his administration, the city was conferred the Silver Seal of Good Housekeeping, a mark of good governance that propelled the city to be judged as the sixth among the Ten Most Competitive Cities of the Philippines, ranking second in Economic Dynamism Category.

ABOUT THE CITY



CITY'S PRIORITIES IN THE NEXT 5 YEARS

TOTAL LAND AREA
277 KM^2

POPULATION SIZE
158,273

POPULATION DENSITY
571 PER_2 KM

CONTACT/ www.koronadal.gov.ph



KORONADAL'S TREE GROWING FESTIVAL

Launched in June 2012, the annual Tree Growing Festival is the call of the City Government of Koronadal to involve citizens and multi-sectoral groups to bring back the once-luscious forest trees impacted by commercial forest exploitation and slash-and-burn practices. It aims to rehabilitate degraded forest areas and lands by promoting volunteerism and the "bayanihan spirit" among citizens.

Gathering some 23,000 volunteer tree growers from all across sectors, about 131,028 assorted forest and fruit trees were planted across six highland villages along 5.2 square kilometres of the Roxas Mountain Range.

In 2012, 17,076 volunteer tree growers planted 307,073 assorted forest and fruit trees including cacao, coffee, and coconut across 12.45 square kilometres of denuded forestland along the Quezon Mountain Range. In the following year, another 20,000 volunteer tree growers planted 351,410 assorted forest and fruit trees across 13.37 square kilometres along the Roxas and Quezon Mountain Ranges. More seedlings were grown thereafter with some 5,000 more donated to farmers of the Typhoon Yolanda-stricken Sante Fe, Leyte.

Covering areas of 11 of the 27 barangays of the city, the past tree growing festivals achieved approximately an average of a 70% survival rate of trees planted and grown.

Now in its fourth year, the festival focuses on the beautification and greening of the lowland areas, especially those along roadsides of highways and main streets. In 2014, tree growing will be a continuous activity from June to December, and the city hopes to have grown some one million trees in a period of six months.



KOTO CITY

japan

HIS EXCELLENCY YAMAZAKI TAKAAKI

Mayor of Koto City, Japan

Mr. Yamazaki was born in 1943, in Koto City, Tokyo.

He graduated from the Faculty of Commerce, Waseda University, Japan in 1967.

In May 1983, Mr. Yamazaki was elected as a member of Koto City Assembly for the first time and has been elected for two consecutive terms. He was then elected as a member of the Tokyo Metropolitan Assembly for the first time in April 1991 and was elected for five consecutive terms.

In April 2007, Mr. Yamazaki was elected as Mayor of Koto City until the present time.

He became Vice President of Clean Authority of TOKYO 23cities in 2011.

ABOUT THE CITY



CITY'S PRIORITIES IN THE NEXT 5 YEARS

TOTAL LAND AREA
39.99 KM²

POPULATION SIZE
490,970

POPULATION DENSITY
12,277 PER KM²

CONTACT/www.city.koto.lg.jp



RARE METAL RECYCLING

The city collects any small-scale home appliances no longer in use, then recovers rare metals to be recycled.

Koto City Mayor Yamazaki believes that it is important to establish a sustainable society through effective use of precious natural resources to avoid overuse. Local governments should play a leading role to realize this issue.



KRAKOW

republic of poland

PROFESSOR JACEK MAJCHROWSKI
Mayor of Kraków, Republic of Poland

Prof. Jacek Majchrowski is a lawyer and a Professor of the Jagiellonian University. He was previously the Deputy Chairman of the State Tribunal and is the current judge of the State Tribunal.

From 1996 through 1997, when Professor Jacek Majchrowski was holding the office of the Voivode of Krakow (Head of the Krakow Region), he was instrumental in creating a Special Economic Zone in Krakow and signing the preliminary agreement on building the Congress and Conference Center. He cured the long-standing problems in land and real estate management; increased the revenues of the city whilst maintaining a restrictive financial policy, initialized the cooperation with low-fare airlines and helped in the rapid development of the tourist industry, culture and sports infrastructure. During his previous terms in office, the largest ecological investments in Poland were carried out. The expansion and modernization of the public transportation system was also launched during his tenure.

In 2010 he was elected President of the City of Krakow for the third time.

ABOUT THE CITY



CITY'S PRIORITIES IN THE NEXT 5 YEARS

- High Quality of Life: A Vibrant City Life
- Integrated Long-term Planning: Balancing Stakeholder Interests
- Intelligent Cities

TOTAL LAND AREA
327 KM²

POPULATION SIZE
758,334

POPULATION DENSITY
2,319 PER KM²

CONTACT/ www.krakow.pl



NOWA HUTA OF THE FUTURE

"Nowa Huta" of the Future is more than one of many municipal projects in the pipeline for Krakow. It is, in fact, a revolutionary vision that will breathe new life into Nowa Huta – a post-industrial eastern district of our city. The infrastructural, functional and social innovations will transform it into an interesting yet cozy home to many Krakovians, an exciting business opportunity for investors and a unique destination for tourists.

Once completed, the investments, spreading over 584.83 hectares, will enrich Nowa Huta's urban tissue with:

• Branice Science and Technolgy Park- An innovative science, research and technology centre, 13 km away from the heart of the city. The centre will stimulate the economy of Krakow and the Małopolska region having, in fact, an international outreach. Office, workshop, laboratory and conference spaces will be complemented with service facilities, making the centre a solid business opportunity for industry leaders, as well as local SMEs and startups.

• A logistics centre- The centre is to facilitate smooth flow of goods in the eastern part of the city and the entire region, consequently stimulating economic growth.

• Błonia 2.0 – An urban space for large scale cultural events. Cutting-edge infrastructural solutions of the Błonia 2.0 project will turn major concerts, international sporting events and religious gatherings in Nowa Huta into exciting reality.

• Przylasek Rusiecki entertainment and services zone- A comprehensive revitalization scheme will turn the area into a perfect space for rest and relaxation.

"Nowa Huta" of the Future is the new face of the ancient Krakow.



CITY OF KUCHING NORTH

malaysia

Y.BHG. DATUK HAJI ABANG ABDUL WAHAP BIN HAJI ABANG JULAI, Commissioner of Kuching City North Commission, Malaysia

Datuk Haji Abang Abdul Wahap Bin Haji Abang Julai is the sixth mayor of Kuching North City Hall and was conferred on Aug 1, 2011.He received his education at Haji Bolhassan Primary School before continuing his secondary education at St Thomas Secondary School, Kuching. Upon completion of his secondary school education, he worked as a teacher before becoming a Probationary Inspector in 1970. His love for the job carried him for 37 years from 1970 to 2007. He received his Advance Diploma in Police Science at University Kebangsaan Malaysia (UKM) in 1989, and Bachelor of Law (LLB) (Honours) from University Islam Antarabangsa (UIA) in 1994. He served a State Deputy Police Commissioner of Sarawak from 2002 until 2005. His last post with the police was as Director of Narcotics Crime Investigation Department (NCID) at Bukit Aman Police HQ, Kuala Lumpur and retired in 2007. In 2007, he was awarded the 'Panglima Gagah Pasukan Police" (PGPP), the highest award in Malaysian Police Force and 'Panglima Jasa Negara" (PJN) which carries the title "Datuk" by His Majesty Yang Di Pertuan Agong, King of Malaysia.

ABOUT THE CITY



CITY'S PRIORITIES IN THE NEXT 5 YEARS

- High Quality of Life: A Vibrant City Life
- Integrated Long-term Planning: Balancing Stakeholder Interests
- Competitive Economy: Driving Investments

TOTAL LAND AREA
369.48 KM²

POPULATION SIZE
209,900

POPULATION DENSITY
568 PER KM²

CONTACT/www.dbku.sarawak.gov.my



KUCHING CBS ENHANCEMENT PLAN

The CLEAN, BEAUTIFUL AND SAFE (CBS) Enhancement Plan is a five years plan prescribing a conceptual framework to enhance and transform Kuching City as the cleanest, most beautiful, safest and the most-talked about city in Asia by 2017. It calls on the citizens to rise to the challenge of transforming the community to create a sustainable urban environment for future generations with the emphasis of creating a city with a soul.

This action plan sets out a clear vision, with concrete targets and the steps required in achieving the targets. It is classified into three significant focus areas – clean, beautiful and safe.

CLEAN CITY INITIATIVES

Kuching North City Hall is committed to providing clean public spaces and spaces for all communities to use and enjoy. The Clean City Strategy aims to enhance public spaces focussing on three elements – land, air and water incorporating community engagement initiatives.

BEAUTIFUL CITY INIATIVES

Kuching North City Hall strives not only to enhance, but to preserve, conserve and sustain its heritage in making Kuching City one of the most beautiful cities in Asia for the benefit of all generations to see.

SAFE CITY INITIATIVES

This part focuses on the safety aspects of the city. It provides for conceptual approach to the city safety, identifying key challenges to be addressed at all levels and the need to develop sustainable networks that involve the participation of partners and the local communities.



KUCHING CITY SOUTH

malaysia

Y. BHG DATO' JAMES CHAN KHAY SYN
Mayor of Kuching City South Council, Malaysia

The Honorable Dato James Chan Khay Syn is a Catholic and was born on 1st June 1950. He is now serving his 3rd term as the Mayor of Kuching City South Council since his very first appointment on 1st June 2008. He is the first non-political Mayor in Kuching South. He was conferred the title 'Dato' by the Sarawak State Government for his excellent service and contributions to the development of Kuching City South in the past 5 years. Under his administration, Kuching South was awarded the Tourist City Award during the 2nd World Cities Scientific Development Forum and 1st Mayor Summit on Disaster Risk Reduction co-organized by United Nations International Strategy for Disaster Risk Reduction (UNISDR), World Cities Scientific Development Alliance (WCSDA) and Sister Cities International in Chengdu. During the Alliance for Healthy Cities 5th Global Conference in Brisbane, Kuching South was awarded "WHO Recognition for Healthy Cities Best Practice under the Public Sanitary Convenience" Category and Dato James was also awarded the "AFHC Awards for Pioneers in Healthy Cities".

ABOUT THE CITY



CITY'S PRIORITIES IN THE NEXT 5 YEARS

- High Quality of Life: A Vibrant City Life
- Integrated Long-term Planning: Balancing Stakeholder Interests
- Sustainable Environment: Water & Waste Management

TOTAL LAND AREA
61.53 KM²

POPULATION SIZE
280,000

POPULATION DENSITY
4,550 PER KM²

CONTACT/www.mbks.gov.my



15TH DAY LUNAR CHINESE NEW YEAR GATHERING (CHAP GOH MEI)

The annual Chap Goh Mei Gathering is a community-based project initiated by Dato James Chan Khay Syn in 2010 as part of the Healthy City Programme and has run for five consecutive years

The objective of this initiation is to enhance further and to maintain the existing mutual understanding and respect among the people of Kuching. In short, it is to develop Kuching City South into a community that is lively, vibrant, inclusive, diverse and friendly.

The programme boasts of strong participation and collaboration of key players from various sectors of the society such as community leaders, community-based organizations, community service providers, non-governmental organizations, government agencies, local authorities etc.

In order to organize the event smoothly, funds are sourced from established local companies and government-linked agencies and some non-governmental organizations. The success of this kind of gathering is attributed to the huge turn-up and the full support from the members of the public and the visitors alike.

As the result, Mayor Dato James Chan Khay Syn was awarded the AFHC Awards for Pioneers in Healthy Cities under the Alliance of Healthy Cities in Brisbane, Australia in 2012.



LUANG PRABANG PROVINCE

lao people's democratic republic

HIS EXCELLENCY SAISAMONE KHOMTHAVONG
Vice Provincial Governor of Luang Prabang, Lao People's Democratic Republic

H.E Saisamone Khomthavong was a Director of Luang Prabang Educational District in 1975 - 1983. In 1984 - 1989 he furthered his studies at the National Political Institute of Ho Chi Minh (Vietnam), based on his knowledge and experience in the years 1990 to 2002 when he was a district governor of LuangPrabang.

In 2003 , Mr. Saisamone was appointed Director of Planning and Investment Department. During the year 2006 he was a Committee Leader of the Provincial National Assembly Member of Luang Prabang (Session VI). Since 2007, he has been a Vice-Governor of Luang Prabang Province in charge of Social Development and Laws Commission.

ABOUT THE CITY



CITY'S PRIORITIES IN THE NEXT 5 YEARS

TOTAL LAND AREA
17,917 KM^2

POPULATION SIZE
450,000

POPULATION DENSITY
24 PER KM^2



SAFEGUARDING AND ENHANCEMENT PLAN (SEP)

The tourism industry plays a significant role for the city, providing job opportunities for the residents of Luang Prabang and producing income for the Laos economy. This growth is accelerated by the opening of the Luang Prabang International Airport.

In 1995, Luang Prabang was designated as a UNESCO World Heritage City. The city seeks to preserve many of its cultural attractions and urban heritage, which showcases the distinct blend of traditional Lao architecture with structures inherited from its European colonial history. The built environment is balanced with the surrounding lush natural environment, with measures set in place to protect its monuments and religious buildings. These include the force of law on urban heritage protection and the setting up of the National and Local Heritage Committee. The Safeguarding and Enhancement Plan (SEP) also aims to ensure rapid urbanization does not damage local heritage, while allowing some flexibility in the implementation of city projects.

With the increase in population due to rural-urban migration, the city is tackling its challenges in transport, drainage and waste management. Initiatives have been put in place, for example to construct new sanitary landfill, raise awareness of keeping public spaces clean, and educate school-going children about the importance of waste recycling. Still, plans for infrastructural development and behavioral change must continue to abide by Luang Prabang's objective to improve the city while preserving its urban and natural heritage.

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MAKASSAR

republic of indonesia

HIS EXCELLENCY MOHAMMAD RAMDHAN POMANTO
Mayor of Makassar, Republic of Indonesia

Mr. Mohammad Ramdhan Pomanto is an architect who graduated from Hasanuddin University, Makassar, Indonesia.

He began his career as a lecturer in the Faculty of Engineering of Hasanuddin University and started his own architectural firm.

He has produced 651 architectural designs and works in 71 cities and regencies in Indonesia. His work brought positive changes to the cities.

As the advisor to the Mayor of Makassar from 2008 to early 2014, Mr. Pomanto has a strong desire to develop Makassar into an international city.

He became Mayor of Makassar in May 2014, and his term is until 2019.

ABOUT THE CITY



CITY'S PRIORITIES IN THE NEXT 5 YEARS

- Sustainable Environment: Water & Waste Management
- Intelligent Cities
- High Quality of Life: A Vibrant City Life

TOTAL LAND AREA
175.77 KM^2

POPULATION SIZE
1,369,606

POPULATION DENSITY
7,792 PER_2 KM

CONTACT/www.makassarkota.go.id



RECLAMATION OF LOSARI BEACH, MAKASSAR (WATERFRONT CITY MAKASSAR)

Long before other cities in Indonesia thought about reclamation, Makassar came up with this idea in 2005. Eventually, it was included in the Makassar local regulation. Even the National Regulation for coastal management and small islands took inspiration from this project.

Based on a long-term vision, the project created vast knowledge in hydro oceanography and public space creation. This experience had been an important learning point for Makassar and other local cities.

The reclamation was initially opposed because the citizens had differing views on how it will be implemented. But through the lessons learned in the first phase of reclamation - an area of less than one hectare - people had a better insight and eventually supported the next phase for an area of 4,500 hectares.

The project was a breakthrough by the Makassar city government because it generated valuable lessons in coastal management technology, as was well as in tackling climate change and global warming.



MALAGA CITY COUNCIL

kingdom of spain

MR FRANCISCO DE LA TORRE
Mayor of Málaga, Kingdom of Spain

Francisco de la Torre Prados has a PhD in Agronomy from the University of Madrid, Regional Development Specialist at the University of Rennes , France and a BA in Sociology from the University of Málaga. Francisco played an important role in Spain's transition to democracy. He was national deputy and adviser in the first pre - autonomous government of Andalusia between 1978 and 1979.

He has been Mayor of the City of Malaga from 2002 and a Senator since 2011 .

He is also the Vice Chairman of the Standing Committee for the Euro-Mediterranean Paternariado of Regional and Local Authorities COPPEM since 2010 .

As Vice President of ARLEM (Euro -Mediterranean Regional and Local Assembly), he is notably involved in the development of Malaga, as a pioneer city in SmartCity and Sustainable Development and to the Mediterranean EU policies related to the environment, immigration, equality and more.

ABOUT THE CITY



CITY'S PRIORITIES IN THE NEXT 5 YEARS

TOTAL LAND AREA
398 KM²

POPULATION SIZE
575,000

POPULATION DENSITY
1,444 PER KM²

CONTACT/www.malaga.eu



THE MALAGA CHALLENGE

Malaga, with three thousand years of history, is one of the oldest cities in Europe for which its inhabitants have always felt a special attraction. Its strategic location in the Spanish Mediterranean area, its exceptional climate-in temperature and humidity and its environmental conditions-stimulates the visitor with an irresistible desire to stay.

It is the city where the great artist Pablo Picasso and the international actor Antonio Banderas was born, our football team has played in the Champions League, we have the best conditions for playing golf, and we are leading in the Smart European Cities index.

Today, with 575,000 inhabitants and an area of 398 square kilometers, Malaga, capital of Costa del Sol, has an international airport; high-speed trains, a cruise port which connects Malaga to the major destinations of the world, and offers a full range of multilingual schools.

Malaga is the Andalusian city with great economic activity. At present, it drives economic growth and catalyzes the process of ending the economic crisis in Spain.

These are reflected in the tourism industry and new technologies brought by start-up companies. Malaga also attracts the growing creative and cultural sector as well as major international art centres.

Experiencing Malaga is a challenge we invite you to live. It will open a wide range of possibilities not only for business but mostly for your personal life. Dare!



MALÉ CITY

republic of maldives

MR MOHAMED SHIHAB
Mayor of Malé, Republic of Maldives

Mr. Mohamed Shihab was elected as the Mayor of the Malé City Council in February 2014.

With over 30 years of work experience in both the public sector as well as the political arena, Mr. Shihab has held respected positions such as the Speaker of the People's Majilis (legislature of the Maldives), Minister of Home Affairs, Minister of Finance and Treasury and Advisor to the President on Political Affairs, President's Office.

He is also one of the longest serving members of the People's Majilis, having been elected for 25 consecutive years until 2009. Mr. Shihab also served as the Managing Director of the Maldives Post Limited and was the Chairperson of the Public Enterprises Monitoring and Evaluation Board, Ministry of Finance and Treasury. Mr. Shihab holds a Bachelor of Economics from James Cook University, Australia.

ABOUT THE CITY



CITY'S PRIORITIES IN THE NEXT 5 YEARS

- **Sustainable Environment: Water & Waste Management**
- **Competitive Economy: Driving Investments**
- **High Quality of Life: A Vibrant City Life**

TOTAL LAND AREA
5.78 KM²

POPULATION SIZE
103,693

POPULATION DENSITY
1,052 PER KM²

CONTACT/ www.malecity.gov.mv



REDISCOVER THE MAGIC

As the capital of Maldives, Malé City has become one of the most densely populated islands in the world. As an initiative led by BIG, in collaboration with the Malé City Council, the Nala Fehi project is based on reviving the city to make it one of the best island capitals in the world. Its goal is to make Malé the cleanest, most liveable, ecologically sustainable island capital.

The concept of the project is to "rediscover the magic" of Malé City, as a place where everyone falls in love with life itself. In order to make this vision a reality, we have set out to conduct several programs which include a series of cleaning events, awareness campaigns, beautification of the city as well as a number of cultural festivals and events.

With the city's unique geography and roots deep in island culture, we believe that Malé City already has the perfect ecological and cultural history to rebrand it as a place where people can experience the magic of an island within an urban city. We want to recreate this magic by using what is already in the city, in a way that both the locals and visitors can connect with the natural enchantment of the island and experience the culture and history that Malé City can offer.



METROPOLITAN MANILA

republic of the philippines

HONOURABLE ATTY FRANCIS N TOLENTINO

Chairman of Metropolitan Manila Development Authority, Republic of the Philippines

Atty. Francis N. Tolentino is the Chairman of the Metropolitan Manila Development Authority (MMDA), tasked to supervise and coordinate metrowide services of Metro Manila without prejudice toward the autonomy of the affected 17 local government units. Prior to this, he was appointed, then elected, as Mayor of Tagaytay City for three consecutive terms (1995-2004) and was the President of League of Cities of the Philippines (2001-2004), and EVP of the Union of Local Authorities of the Philippines (2001-2004). He is a Doctor of Judicial Science Candidate (International Environmental Law) of Tulane University Law School (New Orleans, USA), a Master of Laws (LLM) graduate at the University of London (England) specializing in Public International Law (with Merit, 2nd Honours), a Master of National Security Administration (MNSA) degree holder at the National Defense College of the Philippines (Ranked #6 out of 55 graduates), a Graduate Diploma holder in Public Administration from Robert F. Wagner Graduate School of Public Service, New York University USA), a Bachelor of Laws (LLB) graduate from Ateneo de Manila University Law School (1984) and a Bachelor of Arts (Philosophy) graduate of the Ateneo de Manila University (1980).

ABOUT THE CITY



CITY'S PRIORITIES IN THE NEXT 5 YEARS

TOTAL LAND AREA
636 KM^2

POPULATION SIZE
11,855,975

POPULATION DENSITY
18,641 PER_{KM^2}

CONTACT/www.mmda.gov.ph



MMDA'S BEST PRACTICES ON DISASTER RISK-REDUCTION

Cognizant of MMDA's mandate and function in Metro Manila, the MMDA being the chairperson of the Metro Manila Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Council (MMDRRMC) serves as the conduit between the NDRRMC and the Disaster Coordinating Councils of the Local Government Units in Metro Manila. This three-tiered organization has been proven effective in the more recent calamities that hit Metro Manila in terms of minimal loss of lives and damage.

As part of MMDA's effort on disaster management, the agency crafted contingency plans such as "Oplan Unos" designed to respond to life- and property-threatening situations caused by storms, and "Oplan Metro Yakal" in case an earthquake would hit Metro Manila. The agency is also conducting Disaster Preparedness and Management Skills Trainings for MMDA employees, LGUs, line agencies, schools, volunteers and other private organizations and conducts immediate clean-up, rescue, relief and rehabilitation operations in affected areas every time there is a disaster not only in Metro Manila but also outside the metropolis. MMDA also has adequate equipment and tools for Disaster Response and is continuously enhancing its Disaster Management Capabilities by investing in additional indigenous resources as well as state-of-the-art equipment.

Most notable is the recent Typhoon Haiyan (Yolanda), which is the world's deadliest Philippine typhoon on record, killing at least 6,000 people and affecting about 11 million people. As one of the first responders, the Agency deployed 309 personnel between November to December, 2013. On January 2012 (Typhoon Sendong), MMDA sent a 40-man contingent to assist in clean-up operations and to distribute relief goods to the flood victims in Cagayan de Oro and Iligan City. The agency was likewise involved in the search and rescue, and medical assistance in the quake-stricken Dumaguete City in Negros Oriental on February 2012.



MARIKINA CITY

republic of the philippines

HONOURABLE DEL R. DE GUZMAN
Mayor of Marikina City, Republic of the Philippines

Del de Guzman was the Vice Mayor of the City of Marikina from 1992 to 2001. Prior to that, he was Municipal Councillor from 1988 to 1992.

In May 2001, he was elected in the Philippine Congress to represent the Lone District of Marikina. He served in this post from 2001 to 2007.

Upon the creation of the 2nd District of Marikina City through Republic Act No. 9364, he ran again under the administration in May 2007 and won, becoming the first congressman of the district.

He is concurrently Chairman of the House Committee on Basic Education and Culture (Philippine Congress).

ABOUT THE CITY



CITY'S PRIORITIES IN THE NEXT 5 YEARS

TOTAL LAND AREA
21.52 KM²

POPULATION SIZE
424,150

POPULATION DENSITY
19,709 PER KM²

CONTACT/www.marikina.gov.ph



PROJECT NOAH

Project Noah is a programme of the national government to put in place a response system for disaster risk reduction and mitigation that will provide lead-time warning to vulnerable communities against impending floods.

The project harnesses technologies and management services offered by the Department of Science and Technology through its agencies such as Pagasa, the Philippine Institute of Volcanology and Seismology, and the Advanced Science and Technology Institute, in partnership with the University of the Philippines (UP) National Institute of Geological Sciences and the UP College of Engineering.

Project Noah was launched by the President in 2012 in Balubad, Nangka, the most vulnerable area in Marikina.

In 2013, Typhoon Maring brought about heavy rains in August and caused massive flooding in Metro Manila and the surrounding provinces, killing at least 15 people and forcing thousands of families out of homes. Marikina received the brunt of rains and floodwaters from San Mateo, Antipolo and Montalban. Through Project Noah, families in flood-prone areas were relocated in an efficient and systematic manner. Officials and residents had between three to six hours lead-time to carry out an orderly evacuation.

With Project Noah, the city accomplished its target of zero-casualty during the disaster. The dynamic synergy between the national government and the local government units was also key to the successful disaster response.

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MARRAKECH

kingdom of morocco

HER EXCELLENCY FATIMA ZAHRA MANSOURI,
Mayor of Marrakech, Kingdom of Morocco

Fatima Zahra Mansouri was born in 1976 into a family of dignitaries from the Rhamna . She is the daughter of Abderrahman Mansouri, who was pasha (deputy governor) of Marrakech for eight years and the ambassador of Morocco to the United Arab Emirates.

Mansouri started her career as a lawyer and founded a law firm that specializes in commercial and real estate transactions. She also served as a municipal counselor for the Authenticity and Modernity Party (PAM).

Educated in French schools in Marrakesh, she studied law in France, influenced by her father from a young age, watching his arguments in court.

ABOUT THE CITY



CITY'S PRIORITIES IN THE NEXT 5 YEARS

TOTAL LAND AREA
230 KM²

POPULATION SIZE
909,000

POPULATION DENSITY
3,952 PER KM²



MARRAKECH CITY OF PERMANENT RENEWAL

The "Marrakech city of permanent renewal" reflects the city's strong will to secure a balanced, integrated and sustainable development of the ochre city. The four year program, requiring 6.3 billion MAD in investments, revolves around developing cultural legacy, improving urban mobility and integration, promoting good governance and preserving the environment.

Based on an innovative approach which consists of overarching, integrated and coherent public actions, the project will support the city's urban and demographic development, consolidate its economic attractiveness, reinforce its status as a world tourism pole, improve social, cultural and sports infrastructures and promote human development indicators.

The city also launched the Mhamid citizen space project (189 million MAD), which is an integral part of the "Marrakech city of permanent renewal project". The space will feature a polyvalent sports hall, a swimming pool, football and rugby stadiums, a mini-football stadium, a library, a music academy and a mosque. It will also comprise a centre for persons with specific needs, an exhibition space of handicraft products, a playground, a centre for associations and a shelter for the elderly.

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MATARA

democratic socialist republic of sri lanka

MR SOSINDRA HANDUNGE
Mayor of Matara, Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka

Sosindra Handunge has been involved with the people of the Matara District for a long time, focusing on issues related to improving their social and economic conditions.

Prior to being elected as Mayor of Matara, Sonsindra Handunge was the Southern Province Councillor and Chairman of Matara Pradeshiya Shabawa.

Mayor Handunge obtained a degree in political and social science.

ABOUT THE CITY



CITY'S PRIORITIES IN THE NEXT 5 YEARS

TOTAL LAND AREA
13 KM^2

POPULATION SIZE
68,244

POPULATION DENSITY
5,841 PER KM^2

CONTACT/ www.matara.ds.gov.lk



SYNERGISTIC APPROACH TO DISASTER RISK MANAGEMENT

Matara City and its suburbs often experience an overflow from the highly-silted Nilwala River, damaging crops, agricultural land and urban areas. The Matara Municipal Council has taken a proactive approach to mainstream disaster risk reduction concerns to local governance and development planning. It has worked with Southern Provincial Council and other disaster risk management stakeholders to holistically analyse the city's disaster risk and share the information to its people thereafter. The main objective was to reduce the vulnerability of urban communities through enhanced preparedness and mitigation for hydro-meteorological disasters in urban local authority areas. Activities include hazard, vulnerability and risk management, and the development of a city hazard map; community-based mitigation and preparedness; training and public awareness; and advocacy for mainstreaming disaster risk. Good governance, especially in policy formulation and enforcement, has facilitated efficient risk reduction at the local level, bringing communities together and actualising effective synergy.

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MEDELLIN

republic of colombia

MR ANÍBAL GAVIRIA CORREA
Mayor of Medellín, Republic of Colombia

Mr Aníbal Gaviria Correa was born in Medellin, Antioquia. He is a Business Manager of EAFIT University.

He studied with the Extension School at Harvard University and participated as a fellow of the John F. Kennedy School of Government at the same institution.

When he was governor of Antioquia (2004 - 2007), he oriented his management plan towards housing, food safety, social protection, and education. This led to an improvement in the quality of life of the inhabitants of the region.

In 2007, he was recognized as the Best Governor of Colombia by the "Leader Colombia Project". At the end of his term, he gained 89% of favorability in his management. In 2009, he became the presidential candidate for the Liberal Party and was then part of the presidential ticket as vice-president in the 2010 elections.

In 2011 he was elected mayor of Medellin, a position he currently holds.

ABOUT THE CITY



CITY'S PRIORITIES IN THE NEXT 5 YEARS

- **High Quality of Life: A Vibrant City Life**
- **Dynamic Urban Governance: Fostering Good Governance**
- **Competitive Economy: Driving Investments**

TOTAL LAND AREA
380.64 KM²

POPULATION SIZE
2,441,123

POPULATION DENSITY
6,355 PER KM²

CONTACT/ www.medellin.gov.co



MEDELLÍN'S LAND USE PLAN REVIEW

The review of Medellín's Land Use Plan ("Plan de Ordenamiento Territorial"- POT), which is currently being developed, is a unique and strategic opportunity to capitalize the lessons and challenges from the advances made during the last two decades.

Community and participatory planning efforts in the city provided the basis for diverse urban actions in architecture and infrastructure.

Currently, the Land Use Plan, urban projects and the political-administrative dimensions are harmonized through medium and long term city projects. These were applied in past and new urban interventions which include "Strategic Intervention Areas" (AIE).

Public and private partnership projects were given importance over a "territorial city model" as defined in the Land Use Plan. These became a reality because of its structure that emphasize regulatory and normative dimensions.

Although the "city model" defined in the Land Use Plan since 1999 has been postponed, we have risen to the challenge to implement its first phase together with policies and commitment of citizens.

"Strategic Intervention Areas" (AIE) planning included contests, forums, research and urban projects which addressed the different agendas of economic, social and political stakeholders of the city.



MISSISSAUGA

canada

HER WORSHIP HAZEL MCCALLION

Mayor of Mississauga, Canada

Hazel McCallion was elected Mayor of Mississauga in 1978 and is currently serving her 12th term. She has been recognized numerous times for her contributions to public service and was inducted as a Member of the Order of Canada in 2005, honoured with a Lifetime Achievement Award by the Mississauga Board of Trade in April 2010 and in June 2010, was conferred with the Honorary Doctor of Laws degree by the University of Toronto. In March 2011, Mayor McCallion was honoured by the Ottawa Chapter of the Famous 5 as a "Nation Builder" and in May 2012, was honoured by the Learning Partnership with a Lifetime Achievement Award, and in June 2012, she received a Queen Elizabeth II Diamond Jubilee Medal presented by the Lieutenant Governor of Ontario. In April 2013, Mayor McCallion was honoured by the University of Toronto Mississauga Alumni Association with their their Paul A. Fox Award for her outstanding volunteer service to the Mississauga Campus.

ABOUT THE CITY



CITY'S PRIORITIES IN THE NEXT 5 YEARS

- Competitive Economy: Driving Investments
- Sustainable Environment: Water & Waste Management
- Dynamic Urban Governance: Fostering Good Governance

TOTAL LAND AREA
292.13 KM^2

POPULATION SIZE
752,000

POPULATION DENSITY
2,574 PER KM^2

CONTACT/ www.mississauga.ca



THE HEALTHY CITY STEWARDSHIP CENTRE (HCSC)

The Healthy City Stewardship Centre (HCSC) was created in 2004. It is a volunteer initiative that brings together key, decision-making, organizations in the City of Mississauga and Region of Peel to work together for the betterment of health of the people, community and environment.

The Stewardship Centre is a virtual centre and time and resources are in-kind.

Mayor McCallion is the honourary chair and visionary for the HCSC based on her affiliation with the World Health Organization (WHO) Healthy Cities Initiative. The HCSC brings together key organizations in the city to collectively work toward improving personal health and environmental health for residents.

HCSC VISION

Mississauga will be a Healthy City of people with optimal physical, mental and spiritual health.

HCSC GOALS

All people in Mississauga will value and strive for optimal health; All people in Mississauga will feel safe in their communities; All people in Mississauga will have equal access to information and services; All people in Mississauga will live in and contribute to a clean and sustainable environment; All people in Mississauga will feel part of a larger community and will know that they will be cared for in times of need

HCSC ACTION

Mobilize more of City's population to achieve better health; Support the Active 2010 Get Active Mississauga Plan; Support the youth strategy development and implementation; Make our communities feel safe for active living; Communication on health information for all communities in Mississauga; Support 'Public Health and Urban Form'; Support the UTM's 'Centre for Emerging Energy Technologies'; Investigate health and community needs of new immigrants; Research existing volunteer programs and create forum to share success stories



MOSCOW

russia federation

MR ANDREI SHARONOV

Dean of Moscow School of Management SKOLKOVO, Head of Executive Committee of Moscow Urban Forum, Russian Federation

Andrei Sharonov joined the Moscow School of Management SKOLKOVO in September 2013 as Dean, having left the position of Deputy Mayor of Moscow for Economic Policy in the Moscow City Government. Andrei Sharonov graduated as an engineer and as a lawyer. He also holds a PhD in Social Studies. He was a member of the Soviet Parliament, Congress of People's deputies of the USSR (1989-1991); till 1996 when he chaired the Russian Federal Committee (Ministry) on Youth Affairs. In 1996-2007 he took the position of Deputy Minister, State Secretary and First Deputy Minister at the Economics Development Ministry of the Russian Federation. He was the Managing Director and the Board of Directors' Chairman for Troika Dialog (2007-2010). Andrei Sharonov was appointed as Deputy Mayor of Moscow for Economic Policy in 2010. He also sat on the boards of several Russian companies. He received the 2009 "Aristos" Awards as "Independent Director" and "Director of the Year"; the Person of the Year in Business Reputation for 2012. He was awarded with the Order of Honour and granted the title of "Honoured Economist of Russian Federation". Since 2012, Andrei Sharonov has been heading Executive Committees of Moscow Urban Forum and Open Innovations Forum.

ABOUT THE CITY



CITY'S PRIORITIES IN THE NEXT 5 YEARS

- Intelligent Cities
- High Quality of Life: A Vibrant City Life
- Dynamic Urban Governance: Fostering Good Governance

TOTAL LAND AREA
2,570 KM^2

POPULATION SIZE
12,029,000

POPULATION DENSITY
4,660 PER KM^2

CONTACT/ www.mos.ru



KRIMSKAYA EMBANKMENT

The reconstruction of Krimskaya Embankment is one of the most successful and notable projects to create a pedestrian public space in the centre of Moscow, covering an area of 4.5 hectares. From 2013, the city has laid more than 14 km of walking routes including 11 pedestrian areas, with seven more planned to be added.

Prior to the reconstruction Krimskaya Embankment was a bypass road, but motorists primarily used it for parking their cars. After the reconstruction, the embankment was turned into a pedestrian zone – a landscaped park with fountains, bicycle lanes and beautiful designer street furniture.

The Krimskaya Embankment improvement project involved the creation of three zones – the "Green Hills" entry area, a fountain area and a vernissage for artists. Greenery occupies approximately 25% of the waterfront where flowerbeds, 148 trees and 332 bushes were planted. Along the waterfront, there are 10 parking areas for bicycles and three pavilions for cafes. The main architectural element of the waterfront is a wave reflected in the bench, foothpaths and bicycle path designs.

The result of the reconstruction project was the merger of three city centre parks: Muzeon, Gorky Park and Neskuchny Sad. The united parks now create a single urban space – the largest park in Europe. A 10 km bicycle route starts from Krimskaya Embankment.

The project has made the embankment very attractive and convenient for city residents. Now, the park and the embankment can be used for a wide variety of activities: sculpting workshops, concerts and musical parades; sledging and holding Christmas and New Year bazaars during winter.



MUNTINLUPA

philippines

HONOURABLE JAIME R. FRESNEDI
Mayor of Muntinlupa City, Republic of the Philippines

Jaime Dela Rosa Fresnedi was born in Poblacion, Muntinlupa. He has a degree in AB Political Science (1967–1971) and a Bachelor of Law (1971–1975) at the Lyceum of the Philippines in Manila. He passed the bar exam in 1976.

His political career started in 1986 when he became the city Municipal Attorney. In 1988 he was elected Vice Mayor, before being elected as City Mayor of Muntinlupa in 1998. His leadership spanned three terms and ended 2007. In 2013, he was re-elected as Mayor for the city.

As City Mayor, he introduced "The Eight Point Program of Governance": education, health, peace and order, social welfare and housing, local governance, economic development, clean and green/environment, and urban housing.

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CITY'S PRIORITIES IN THE NEXT 5 YEARS

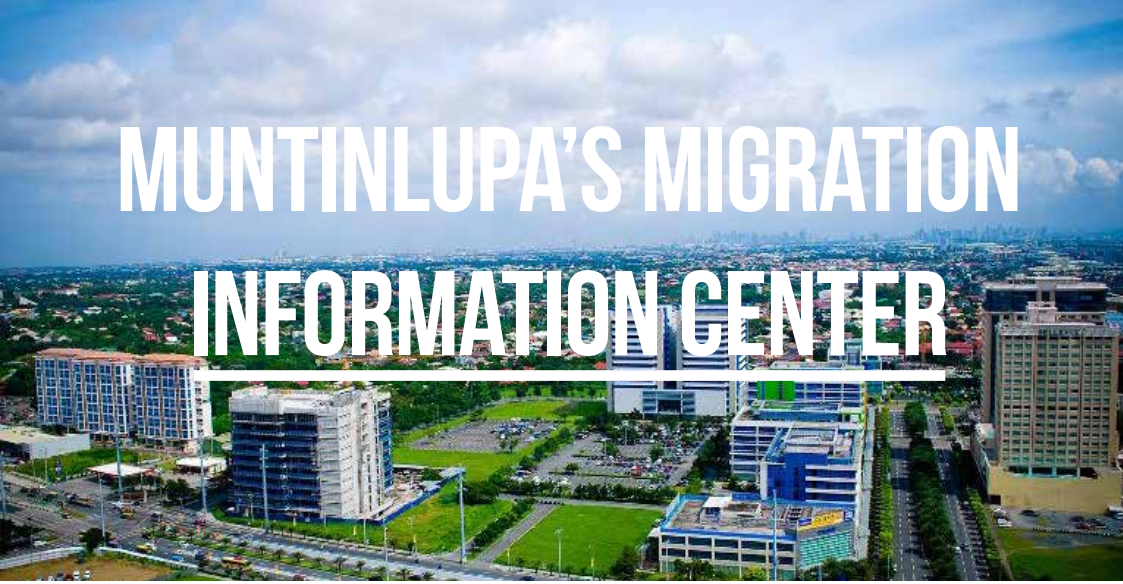
- Competitive Economy: Driving Investments
- Integrated Long-term Planning: Balancing Stakeholder Interests
- High Quality of Life: A Vibrant City Life

TOTAL LAND AREA
46.7 KM²

POPULATION SIZE
496,887

POPULATION DENSITY
10,639 PER KM²

CONTACT/ www.muntinlupacity.gov.ph/



MUNTINLUPA'S MIGRATION INFORMATION CENTER

In the late 1990s, population growth in the City of Muntinlupa was at an alarming rate due to the influx of migrants from other provinces and neighbouring localities. The impending population explosion was expected to create enormous problems in the city, such as unemployment, environmental degradation and poor education, among others.

To address this, the city established a mechanism to monitor the movement of people in the city, which would guide city officials in applying appropriate actions to mitigate the ill effects of in-migration. Thus, the Migration Information Center (MIC) was established in 1998 in accordance with the provisions of Republic Act 7279 or the Urban Development and Housing Act of 1992, which enjoins all local government units to set up effective mechanisms to monitor the movement of the population.

The MIC has been operational in all the nine barangays of the City of Muntinlupa. Government units, both local and foreign, have visited the City of Muntinlupa to learn from the initiative and eventually adapt the system to their respective localities.

For the MIC, the City Government of Muntinlupa received the prestigious "Rafael M. Salas Population and Development Award" for the Local Government Unit Category in 2004.



MUSCAT MUNICIPALITY

sultanate of oman

HIS EXCELLENCY ENG. MOHSEN BIN MOHAMMED BIN ALI AL SHAIK

Chairman of Muscat Municipality, Sultanate of Oman

His Excellency Engineer Mohsen Bin Mohammed Bin Ali Al Shaik was conferred the Royal Commendation Order of 'First Class' by His Majesty Sultan Qaboos Bin Said in 2010. In 2011, he held the title of Minister of Tourism.

In November 2013, he was appointed Chairman of Muscat Municipality.

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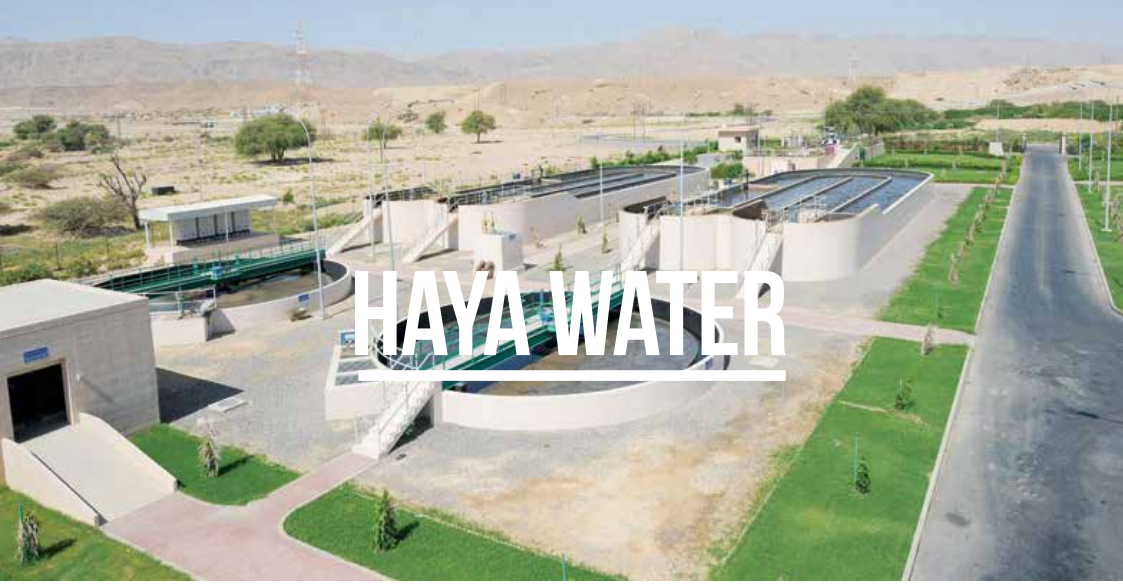
CITY'S PRIORITIES IN THE NEXT 5 YEARS

TOTAL LAND AREA
3,500 KM²

POPULATION SIZE
3,830,000

POPULATION DENSITY
1,100 PER KM²

CONTACT/www.mm.gov.om/english



HAYA WATER

Haya Water was created in December 2002 with the objective to build and operate a world class water reuse system for the Muscat Governorate. It is a closed joint stock company owned by the Government of the Sultanate of Oman. Its vision is to enable Muscat to become one of the top cities in the world by building and operating a world class water reuse system that connects at least 80% of the properties by the year 2018 and brings enormous environmental benefits to the city. Haya Water is fully committed to its goal of "Making Muscat A Better City" – a modern, environmentally aware urban center - that helps individuals, families and businesses enjoy a successful and prosperous future.

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http://main.omanobserver.om/



NEW TAIPEI CITY

taiwan

DR CHEN SHEN-HSIEN
Deputy Mayor of New Taipei City, Taiwan

Dr. Shen-Hsien, Chen is currently the Deputy Mayor of New Taipei City. Before he was appointed Deputy Mayor in 2014, he served as Secretary-General of the New Taipei City Government for nearly four years. Before joining the New Taipei City Government, he was the president at Sinotech Engineering Consultants, INC. He was the Engineering Superintendent for the Ministry of Economic Affairs (2009-2010), and before that, he served as Director-General at the Water Conservancy Agency, MOEA. Dr. Shen-Hsien Chen has been dedicating his experience and expertise in water source management. He was Chief Executive Officer of the Kao-ping River Watershed Management Commission from 2001 to 2002. He served as Executive Secretary of the Supervisory board for the Labor Pension Fund and then as Department Chief of the Executive Yuan Council of the Labor Affairs Labor Conditions Department (2000-2001). From 1992 to 2000, Dr. Chen was in charge of the Executive Yuan Council of Labor Affairs Labor-Management Relations Department and the Labor Inspection Department . Dr. Shen-Hsien Chen holds a Ph.D and a Master's degree in Civil Engineering.

ABOUT THE CITY



CITY'S PRIORITIES IN THE NEXT 5 YEARS

- **Sustainable Environment: Water & Waste Management**
- **High Quality of Life: A Vibrant City Life**
- **Competitive Economy: Driving Investments**

TOTAL LAND AREA
2,052 KM²

POPULATION SIZE
3,955,390

POPULATION DENSITY
1,927 PER KM²

CONTACT/www.foreigner.ntpc.gov.



INNOVATIVE COMMUNITY WELFARE PROJECTS IN NEW TAIPEI CITY

New Taipei City is the largest local administration in Taiwan, and home to nearly four million citizens. Like other major cities, New Taipei City is confronted with challenges to create a better and liveable City.

The main challenge of the city is the sharp birth rate drop and a quickly greying population. As a response, New Taipei City has launched a series of programs to encourage child birth such as child-rearing allowance application for mothers and the establishment of a Municipal Infant and Toddler Care Centre. As services for senior citizens, the city launched the "Elderly Care Savings Program", "Congregate Meal" and "Hospice Care Services" which are praised as innovative solutions to expand community-based palliation and hospice network for the elderly.

New Taipei City's policies also prioritised emergency relief for at-risk groups, particularly children and youth. In 2013, the New Taipei City launched "The 24-Hour Outreach Station" in the hopes of ensuring that at-risk children and youth don't go hungry in partnerships with Taiwan's four largest convenience store chains

In New Taipei City alone, there are over 2,000 participating convenience stores, open 24 hours a day. The program targets children under 18, who can get proper meals, immediate care and assistance at the stores. Children only need to leave basic information, enough to for social welfare organizations to determine the type of further assistance needed on a per-case basis.

With minimal project cost, the effectiveness and social outreach it generated was very inspiring.

New Taipei City is excited to share its success with other cities, to help create a happy and harmonious international community.



NICE

french republic

MR CHRISTIAN TORDO
Deputy Mayor of Nice, French Republic

Mr Christian TORDO has been General Manager of the French subsidiary of Texas Intruments Inc. from 1994 to 2013. He joined Texas Instruments in 1977 and his duties have included Financial Responsibility for the French subsidiary and the European Organisation. He holds several responsibilities at regional level as President of the non-profit organisation Telecoms Valley, from 1997 to 1999. He also was elected President of UPE 06- MEDEF 06, the French Association of Industry leaders from 2004 to 2006. He is also a member of the Chamber of Commerce and Industry for Nice Côte d'Azur and a member of the Supervisory Board of the Côte d'Azur Saving Bank. Since December 2009, he is the President of the board of the EPA-Eco Valley. From March 2014, he was Deputy Mayor of Nice in charge of Finance and Economy, and Deputy president of Nice Côte d'Azur Metropolis in charge of Economic Development. Since April 2014, he is in charge of both the City of Nice and the NCA Metropolis For Economic Development, Employment, Industry and Digital Innovation.

ABOUT THE CITY



CITY'S PRIORITIES IN THE NEXT 5 YEARS

- Competitive Economy: Driving Investments
- Sustainable Environment: Water & Waste Management
- Intelligent Cities

TOTAL LAND AREA
1,400 KM^2

POPULATION SIZE
540,000

POPULATION DENSITY
385 PER KM^2



NICE CÔTE D'AZUR JFC TERRITORY

Since May 2010, a range of NFC mobile services were deployed for citizens. This project was originally conducted in partnership with four mobile operators, the transportation operator Veolia, The University of Nice, public and private partners and the active participation of server municipal services.

For over four years now, it is possible with an NFC mobile phone to buy a ticket, validate it on the bus or tramway, hire a "velo bleu" or an "auto bleue". People can also check public transport timetables in real time thanks to 1600 bus-stops and 175 "velo bleu" stations equipped with NFC tags.

It is also possible to access cultural information in the old town, in museums or tourist routes (Matisse road, hinterland villages, etc.). On the payment side, Nice has worked with Visa, Mastercard and the 12 largest banks in France. Contactless payment is currently possible in 2000 shops and in some public services of the municipality. Also, a loyalty card launched by "OCAN" allows 200 shops to offer discounts to consumers on their NFC mobile.

Following the Nice pilot, a project call was launched in 2011 by the French Ministry of Industry to accelerate deployments in 17 cities in France.

Since the launch of this initiative, Nice was in the spotlight nationally and internationally, both by the press and by industry. Under this project, Nice was visited by numerous technical delegations from Asia (South Korea, Japan, Singapore), the United States and Europe (Finland, Sweden, Hungary).



PALU

republic of indonesia

HIS EXCELLENCY RUSDY MASTURA

Mayor Palu City, Republic of Indonesia

Rusdy, commonly called Cudi, was first elected as Mayor of Palu in 2005 together with Suardin Suebo who was also the former Mayor of Palu . He was also previously the chairman of the Palu City Council.

Rusdy Mastura is a visionary mayor. His greatest aspiration is for the Malay people to be at the forefront of the global community. Rusdy looks to the lessons gained from developments from different regions which the local community could use.

Rusdy Mastura has received a number of awards during his period as Mayor of Palu City including : Leadership Award 2008, Award UPAKARTI and recently he received the Innovative Government Award.

ABOUT THE CITY



CITY'S PRIORITIES IN THE NEXT 5 YEARS

- High Quality of Life: A Vibrant City Life
- Competitive Economy: Driving Investments
- Dynamic Urban Governance: Fostering Good Governance

TOTAL LAND AREA
395.06 KM²

POPULATION SIZE
385,684

POPULATION DENSITY
976 PER KM²

CONTACT/www.palukota.go.id



PALU ZERO POVERTY (2015)

Palu City has continued to change over the last five years, along with the increasing economic growth. These changes are based on Palu city's vision - a gulf city with strong tourism services, industry and trade and ecologically sound.To achieve this vision, Palu city government has committed to providing ease of licensing investment and for private trade, which is evident across the city.

In the north of the city of Palu, the government has built an industrial area or KIP, which is integrated with the operation of a steam power plant PLTU Panau 2 x 15 MW, which was inaugurated by President Susilo Bambang Yudhoyono, in 2007.

The integrated development center for the rattan industry was established, as well as the development of a technical implementing unit area for the development of cocoa. In 2013, the industrial area of Palu has been upgraded into a special economic zone (SEZ) according to by the National SEZ's board evaluation.

Palu City government also continues to commit and support in setting up of the programme Palu Zero Poverty (2015) to alleviate poverty and provide basic services to Palu residents.

The programme was announced at the Eastern Indonesia Forum meeting (EIFM) in 2012. It promises to create job opportunities for the poor, improve vulnerable communities, provide basic services (education, health and food) and create 45 well-organised villages in Palu City.



THE CITY OF PARRAMATTA

commonwealth of australia

THE RIGHT WORSHIPFUL THE LORD MAYOR OF PARRAMATTA JOHN CHEDID

Commonwealth of Australia

Lord Mayor of Parramatta, Cr John Chedid has held three terms as Parramatta's civic leader, and was first elected to Council in 2004. As Lord Mayor, Cr Chedid initiated the first ever Parramatta Economic Development Forum, the Safer Cities program, Council's Property Development and Investment Policy, the first illegal dumping policy in conjunction with Community Pride Day and the first Winterlight Festival in Parramatta. He has also established programmes to encourage high levels of academic achievement among young people and created the Healthy Generation's Initiative providing programmes for corporates and the general population. His people-centred focus to community leadership has led to the successful commencement of the $1.6 billion Parramatta Square Development. This will create a world class CBD with a new Regional Light Rail Network to better connect residents to Western Sydney's surging employment market. Under his leadership, the City was recognised in 2013 as Australia's best employer, a result of the city's culture of teamwork, service and recognition of excellence. His Frontline Service Awards for police, firefighters, paramedics, nurses and the Lancers has brought much needed recognition to a key segment of the population.

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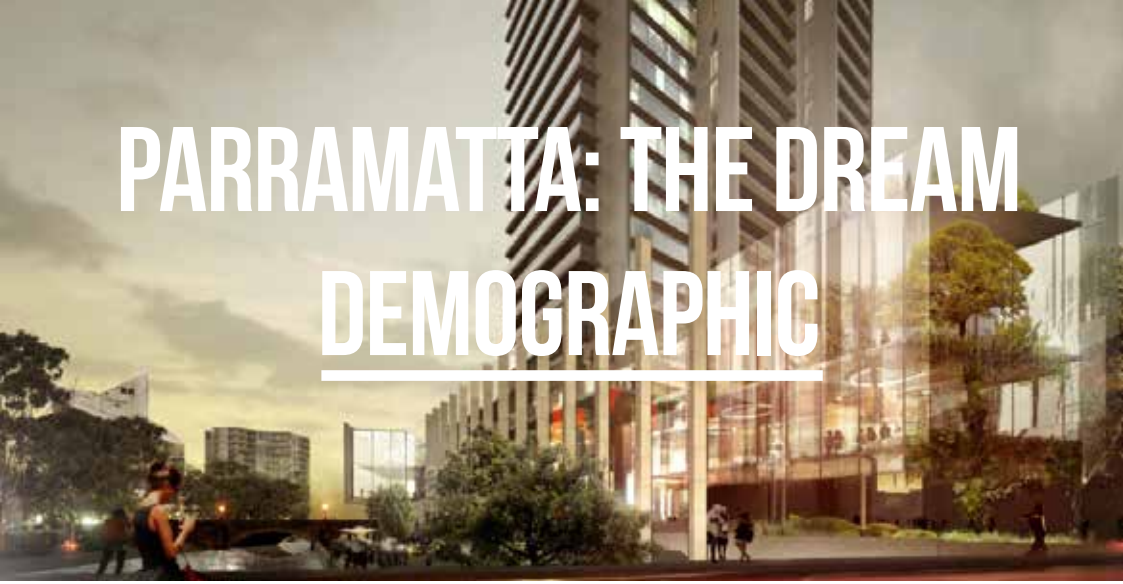
CITY'S PRIORITIES IN THE NEXT 5 YEARS

TOTAL LAND AREA
61.4 KM²

POPULATION SIZE
178,549

POPULATION DENSITY
2,908 PER KM²

CONTACT/ www.parracity.nsw.gov.au



PARRAMATTA: THE DREAM DEMOGRAPHIC

Around 180,000 people – 10% of Western Sydney's population live in Parramatta. By 2031, around 260,000 will call Parramatta home. The city's population grew by 13.7% between 2007 and 2012. Over the past decade, the population has become younger and is employed in white-collar professions. Around 30% have tertiary qualifications, more than Greater Sydney. This dream demographic of 25-to 34-year-old tertiary-educated professionals is a standout indicator of Western Sydney's economic vitality.

The Parramatta's residents come from all corners of the world and half of them speak English and another language at home. In particular, links to the world's two major growth economies – India and China – are growing. Overseas-born Indian residents make up 8.1% of the population and overseas-born Chinese residents make up 6.8%. These groups represent opportunities for strengthening economic and cultural ties between Parramatta and the Asia-Pacific region.

Parramatta's growing population of young, educated and increasingly affluent residents makes it a rich source of qualified, multilingual employees, as well as a buoyant market for health, education, retail, entertainment and other consumer services.

Parramatta Council is a member of the Future Cities Collaborative an initiative of the United States Studies Centre at the University of Sydney



PARAÑAQUE

republic of the philippines

HONOURABLE EDWIN L. OLIVAREZ
Mayor of Parañaque City, Republic of the Philippines

The Honorable Mayor Edwin L. Olivarez is serving his first term as local chief executive of the City of Parañaque.

Prior to his election in May 2013, he was the City's First District Representative. He earlier served as senior board member and vice governor of the province of Laguna.

An accomplished businessman and champion athlete, Mayor Olivarez is perfectly suited to lead Parañaque City to its golden age with his unique management style. His deep faith in God and impeccable academic background are much needed at a time of meaningful change and wonderful opportunities for its people.

Mayor Olivarez improved the city finances through efficient revenue collection and prudent spending that resulted in a surplus after just six months in office. Renewed investor confidence brought more jobs and revenues, to a city poised to become a major tourism, entertainment and leisure destination.

ABOUT THE CITY



CITY'S PRIORITIES IN THE NEXT 5 YEARS

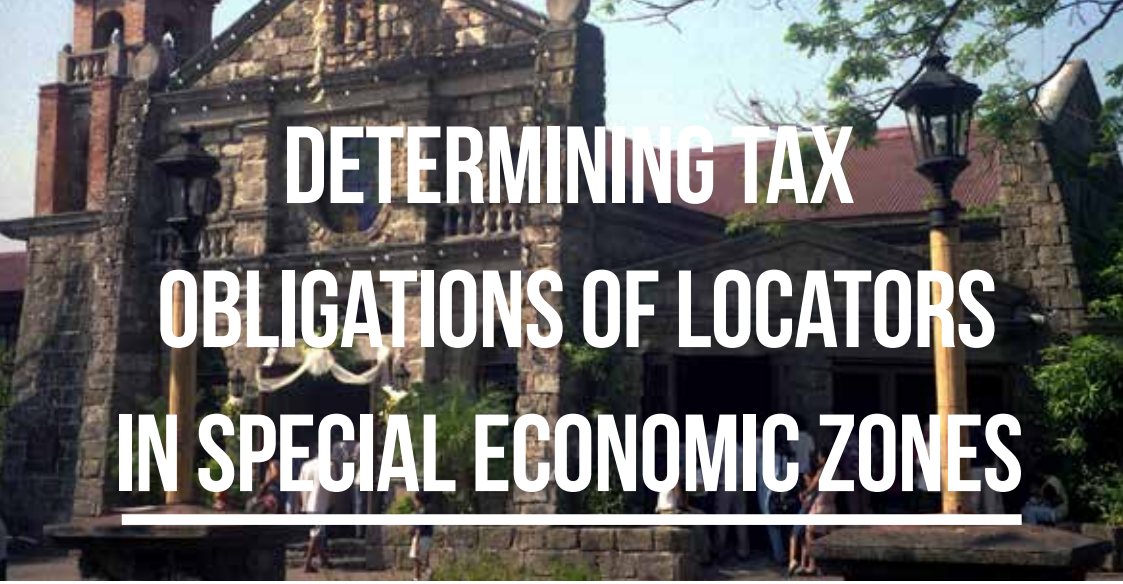
- High Quality of Life: A Vibrant City Life
- Competitive Economy: Driving Investments
- Dynamic Urban Governance: Fostering Good Governance

TOTAL LAND AREA
46.57 KM²

POPULATION SIZE
637,434

POPULATION DENSITY
13,687 PER KM²

CONTACT/ www.paranaque.gov.ph



DETERMINING TAX OBLIGATIONS OF LOCATORS IN SPECIAL ECONOMIC ZONES

The City of Parañaque is home to several special economic zones, foremost of which is the Pagcor Entertainment City which is an integrated leisure, entertainment, gaming and tourism complex along scenic Manila Bay.

All special economic zones offer tax privileges and other perks to attract investors. They are under the administration of the Philippine Special Economic Zone Authority or PEZA.

However, even though PEZA had long wanted to enter into a memorandum of agreement with the city to spell out what tax obligations, if any, accredited and registered locators should pay the local government unit outside of their tax perks, no such agreement had ever been reached. Entering into an agreement with PEZA became one of my top priorities to remove uncertainties regarding what the local government can actually collect from locators. This will also help prevent corruption since any ambivalence on locators' tax obligations could be a window for harassment, extortion and other shady deals.

In 2013, negotiations with PEZA began early in my term as Mayor, after which a memorandum was created. It was signed in 2014 – less than nine months after we initiated talks with PEZA. The MOA provides that although locators enjoy a five-year income tax holiday and a choice to pay a 5% flat rate on gross income after the tax holiday expiry, they are obliged to pay real property taxes and taxes on machinery, as well as regulatory fees for sanitation inspection, waste management and mayor's permit to the city.

The MOA is a fine example of good governance because it eliminates uncertainty and possible corruption by giving investors a clearer picture of their tax obligations. At the same time, it significantly increases the city's revenues used to deliver service to the city.



PENANG

malaysia

YAB TUAN LIM GUAN ENG
Chief Minister of Penang, Malaysia

Mr. Lim Guan Eng was appointed as the fourth Chief Minister of Penang after winning the Air Putih State Assembly Seat in the Malaysian General Elections in March 2008 and was also elected as the Member of Parliament for Bagan. He was reappointed as the fifth Chief Minister of Penang after the recent General Elections in 2013.

Prior to joining politics, he was holding a senior executive position in the banking industry. Mr. Lim was elected as the DAP's Secretary General of the Party in 2004, and re-elected in 2008 & 2013, a position he holds until today. Mr. Lim was born in December 1960. He holds a Bachelor's degree in Economics from Monash University, Australia and is a qualified accountant.

ABOUT THE CITY



CITY'S PRIORITIES IN THE NEXT 5 YEARS

- Competitive Economy: Driving Investments
- High Quality of Life: A Vibrant City Life
- Dynamic Urban Governance: Fostering Good Governance

TOTAL LAND AREA
1,048 KM^2

POPULATION SIZE
1,650,000

POPULATION DENSITY
2,559 PER_2 KM

CONTACT/www.penang.gov.my



SUSTAINING THE HERITAGE : THE INSCRIPTION OF GEORGE TOWN AS A UNESCO WORLD HERITAGE SITE

Since the inscription of George Town as a UNESCO heritage site in July 2008, the status has rejuvenated the once "quiet" George Town inner city. Property owners have started to appreciate more of the value of heritage conservation and have taken needed steps to revitalize their properties. This is evident from the increasing number of applications and approvals for building restoration work permits being issued by the city authority.

Tourist arrivals into this Heritage area have resulted in an increase of tourism revenue for the city. Events and festivals are organized to drive more tourist visits. Also, the city authority has increased public engagements and awareness through promotions and education programs at all levels to educate the general public about heritage conservation.

George Town has also embarked on efforts of greening and setting up of parks that are meant to provide better social interaction spaces for residents, workers and visitors. The emergence of mural wall paintings and sculptures are critical to add the arts and culture element to the heritage city.



PERTH

commonwealth of australia

THE RIGHT HONOURABLE THE LORD MAYOR OF PERTH LISA SCAFFIDI, **Commonwealth of Australia**

Lord Mayor since 2007, Lisa Scaffidi is also a serving board member on many local not for profit boards and committees in areas from community building, infrastructure through to public art, annual events and festivals and is Chair of the Lord Mayors Distress Relief Fund. Ms Scaffidi is passionate about city economic development and branding, and smart and sustainable city growth. Recent city additions such as the water labyrinth in Forrest Place, improved city lighting and the city's greater focus on communication with people via social media has been part of her mission to "Get Perth Moving". During her tenure, Ms Scaffidi has been Chair of the World Energy Cities Partnership; Ambassador of Study Perth and the annual Perth Fashion Festival. She also inspires and mentors young West Australians, worked closely with the homeless and has served as patron to a number of local charities. Prior to being Lord Mayor, she was the State Director of the Committee for Economic Development of Australia for 10 years and a serving Councillor for seven years. She has also worked in the hotel and airline industries and has been a director in local property developments.

ABOUT THE CITY



CITY'S PRIORITIES IN THE NEXT 5 YEARS

- Dynamic Urban Governance: Fostering Good Governance
- Competitive Economy: Driving Investments
- Intelligent Cities

TOTAL LAND AREA
6,417.9 KM²

POPULATION SIZE
1,972,000

POPULATION DENSITY
307 PER KM²

CONTACT/www.perth.wa.gov.au/



THE DEVELOPMENT OF ELIZABETH QUAY

Perth is currently undergoing a radical transformation with three major developments (City Link, Elizabeth Quay and Riverside) underway at the same time within the Central Business District.

As one of the landmark developments, Elizabeth Quay will bring the iconic Swan River into the city through the creation of a new 2.7 hectare (27,000 m2) development within 10 hectares (100,000 m2) of prime riverfront land.

The City of Perth has contributed land and support to the project, which aims to become a vibrant and exciting destination for people of all ages to be able to enjoy throughout the year. The project will cost an estimated US$2.4 billion, with the Government contributing US$391.7 million into the civil construction and associated infrastructure, with the private sector contribution to the project valued at approximately US$2 billion. The private sector has been invited to participate in an expression of interest process and bid for the nine available sites. Two sites have been sold, to Chevron and the Far East Consortium, with five proponents shortlisted for another two sites within the development.

Elizabeth Quay will involve a mix of office, residential and hotel developments as well as numerous shopping, food and beverage and entertainment opportunities. When complete, Elizabeth Quay will feature:

A 1.5 hectare (15,000 m2) promenade linking public parks and spaces around the inlet and connecting to the island; purpose-built island within the inlet for leisure and relaxation; 800 residential dwellings (enough for an estimated 1,400 residents); 400 hotel rooms; 200,000 m2 of new commercial and office space; and 25,000 m2 of new retail space.



PHNOM PENH CAPITAL CITY

kingdom of cambodia

HIS EXCELLENCY PA SOCHEATEVONG
Governor of Phnom Penh Capital City
Kingdom of Cambodia

Pa Socheatevong is the governor of the municipality of Phnom Penh. Born in 1957, Pa Socheatevong graduated with a Bachelor Degree of Science and Philosophy in 1987. He was awarded a Doctor of Business Administration in South California, USA in 1997.

Before rising to his position as the governor, he has held the title of Deputy Governor of Phnom Penh Capital City, Deputy Governor of Battambang Province, Deputy Governor of Kampong Thom Province and Deputy Chief of Phnom Penh Education and Propaganda Committee. Having served in the local governance for a larger part of his career, Pa Socheatevong is well-versed with the local political climate. He is actively involved in the country's bid to clean up and improve their drainage pipes system, effectively preventing major floods from occurring.

ABOUT THE CITY



CITY'S PRIORITIES IN THE NEXT 5 YEARS

TOTAL LAND AREA
678.46 KM²

POPULATION SIZE
1,501,725

POPULATION DENSITY
2,213 PER KM²

CONTACT/ www.phnompenh.gov.kh



URBAN TRANSPORT SYSTEM BLUEPRINT

Phnom Penh's suburban population is projected to reach 2.88 million in 2035, with serious consequences of urban sprawl. Assisted by the Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA), the city has developed a comprehensive strategy to tackle the problems accompanying such rapid growth – traffic congestion, garbage management, wastewater treatment and rising demand for both water and electricity.

In the area of transport, the city recently released its Urban Transport Master Plan targeting 2035, including a short-term plan (2016) and a medium-term plan (2020). Strategies include expanded bus routes, widened streets and the introduction of an urban rail system in 2020. There is a present dearth of public transit options – only the motorcycle taxi, metered taxi, and the tuk-tuk. No mass public transport system currently operates in the city. Traffic congestion and traffic accidents have also increased due to the fast-growing numbers of private car and motorbike ownership.

Supporting measures will be introduced – such as improvements on the parking system to tackle the present proliferation of illegal parking on roadsides and sidewalks, adopting a one-way traffic system on certain roads, technology-aided traffic management, and an updating of its traffic signaling system. The administration also seeks to strengthen and improve the implementation capacity of the urban transport-related agencies.

Public experiments and the city's urban transport system blueprint have been presented and discussed at a seminar for citizens in May 2014. Public feedback will be integrated into the adopted solutions, and active citizen participation is regarded as essential to the success of the city's plans.

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PUTRAJAYA

malaysia

Y.BHG TAN SRI DATO' SERI DR ASEH BIN HJ. CHE MAT
President of Putrajaya Corporation, Malaysia

Tan Sri Dato' Seri (Dr) Aseh Bin Haji Che Mat was born in Negeri Sembilan, Malaysia, on 22 October 1951. He obtained his BA (Hons.) (Economics) from the University of Malaya in 1974, and Masters in Public Administration from the University of Southern California in 1984. He was honoured with a PhD (Honorary) from the Lim Kok Wing University of Creative Technology in Malaysia in 2007.

Tan Sri Dato' Seri (Dr) Aseh Bin Haji Che Mat has received many awards from the federal and state governments of Malaysia. His vast experience of 39 years in the government and private sectors has equipped him to be a dedicated and excellent mayor of Putrajaya City. Besides his current position as the President of the Putrajaya Corporation, he is also the Chairman and President of various companies and organisations.

ABOUT THE CITY



CITY'S PRIORITIES IN THE NEXT 5 YEARS

- High Quality of Life: A Vibrant City Life
- Intelligent Cities
- Integrated Long-term Planning: Balancing Stakeholder Interests

TOTAL LAND AREA
49.31 KM²

POPULATION SIZE
86,000

POPULATION DENSITY
1,744 PER KM²

CONTACT/www.portal.ppj.gov.my



TOWARDS SUSTAINABLE PUTRAJAYA 2025 (FROM GARDEN TO GREEN)

The development of Putrajaya, Malaysia's new Federal Government Administrative Centre, is a testimony of the nation's commitment towards creating a sustainable future for Malaysia's growth as a nation as well as seen as exemplary in the global agenda of combating climate change.

The Putrajaya Structure Plan 2025 is a strategic planning and development blueprint for the city of Putrajaya, prepared under the provision of the Town and Country Planning Act 1976. It provides a clear and focussed vision for the future that responds to the challenges of population growth, driving economic prosperity and liveability, while protecting the environment. The Structure Plan has been formulated based on a strong foundation laid out by the earlier Master Plan that conceptualised Putrajaya as a Garden City. The future challenges faced by the City for a dynamic, socially responsible and sustainable development, pressured from the growing environmental and climate change concerns, are the driving forces behind the transformation from Garden City to Green City.

Going forward, Putrajaya has carried out a CO2 emission baseline study for the city prior to preparing a Green City Action Plan for the city, towards the creation of a greener low carbon society. Community involvements through Local Agenda 21 Programmes are actively pursued towards achieving this aim. Through these relentless efforts, the government's aspiration for Putrajaya to be Malaysia's Pioneer Green City will become a reality by 2025.

Perbadanan Putrajaya will monitor the policies' implementation measures to ensure that all initiatives and programmes have been implemented accordingly and progressively towards "Sustainable Putrajaya 2025".



QUEZON CITY

republic of the philippines

HONOURABLE HERBERT M. BAUTISTA
Mayor of Quezon City, Republic of the Philippines

Mayor Herbert M Bautista, who was first elected in 2010, is known as a pioneer and progressive advocate of solutions for environment issues and climate change. Under his leadership, Quezon City became the first city in the Philippines to implement a Green Building Ordinance, enforcing sustainable building designs throughout the city. He has mandated a greening program as a component of all road and real estate development projects. He is leading the city to reduce its carbon footprint through the shift of public facilities towards alternative energy sources and wider installation of systems for resource reuse. Mayor Bautista's urban development framework anchors the City's housing and resettlement program on disaster risk reduction as well as enriching the quality of life. The priority is to move the poor from danger areas to new townships, a project he is implementing in multiples, in collaboration with the private sector and national government agencies.

ABOUT THE CITY



CITY'S PRIORITIES IN THE NEXT 5 YEARS

TOTAL LAND AREA
161,126 KM^2

POPULATION SIZE
3,179,536

POPULATION DENSITY
19,727 PER KM^2

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QUEZON CITY'S HOUSING AND RESETTLEMENT PROGRAM ANCHORED ON DISASTER RISK REDUCTION

Of Quezon City's 635,907 households, about 30% are informal settler families (ISFs), of which 5.2% live in danger areas.

To create more responsive solutions to this lack of proper housing arising largely from the low supply of affordable housing, the Quezon City Government came up with a multi-pronged approach beginning in 2010, which consists of the following:

- Produced a Shelter Plan to systematically study housing needs, causes and solutions;

- Created the organizations within the local government to address the multi-pronged needs for housing and resettlement: Housing Board, which has the participation of urban poor groups for stakeholder participation in housing policy formulation; the multi-department Task Force on Socialized Housing and Blighted Areas; upgraded the Urban Poor Affairs Office to the status of a department (Housing, Community Development and Resettlement Department);

- Enacted local revenue measures to continuously generate funds for housing development, while also reducing urban blight;

- Forged partnerships with land owners, housing developers, lending institutions, civic organizations to expand resources and facilities for socialized housing developments.

Through this multi-pronged approach, the Quezon City Government has undertaken eight Community Housing Projects to date, designed to provide dwelling units for 2,367 families. All of the housing sites are in Quezon City, providing no dislocation to those resettled. All of the housing units must be paid back by the beneficiaries through financing that is of three modes, including in-house financing through the local government, which is able to lend at half the interest rates of national government funding institutions. It also put in operation, an estate management program run by the beneficiaries themselves, to maintain the new communities and ingrain credit payment responsibilities.



RABAT

kingdom of morocco

HIS EXCELLENCY FATHALLAH OUALALOU
Mayor of Rabat, Kingdom of Morocco

His Excellency Fathallah Oualalou received his BA in Philosophy in 1961 and degree in Economics at the Faculty of Law at the Mohammed V University in Rabat in 1964. He has been the Mayor of Rabat since 2009 and served as Morocco's Finance and Economy Minister from 1998 to 2007.

He is President of the Association of Moroccan Economists and President of the Union of Arab Economists; Vice President for the Region of North Africa of the Organization of United Cities and Local Africans Governments; and Chairman of Commission III within the Standing Committee for the Euro Mediterranean Partnership of Local and Regional Authorities Powers.

He was Chairman of the Committee on Local Finance and Developments of the United Cities and Local Governments (UCLG) from 2008 to 2010, and re-elected in 2011. In 2009, he was elected president of the Local Economic Development Network of Africa.

ABOUT THE CITY



CITY'S PRIORITIES IN THE NEXT 5 YEARS

TOTAL LAND AREA
118 KM²

POPULATION SIZE
627,932

POPULATION DENSITY
5,321 PER KM²



DEVELOPMENT OF THE BOUREGREG VALLEY

Development of Bouregreg Valley aims to rehabilitate and promote the banks of the river Bouregreg to create a pleasant environment for inhabitants of Rabat and Salé.

There are four main components to the project: citizenship; environment; memory; and transportation.

First, as primarily a citizen project, it works through public facilities and amenities to create wealth and provide a pleasant living environment for residents and future generations.

Second, the environment is at the heart of its action plan. Priority is given to avoiding pollution of the river and the valley, to rehabilitate and reforest, and safeguarding the natural site through plural measures affecting the marine environment, fauna and flora.

Third, Bouregreg Valley is highly symbolic in public memory and involves the preservation and enhancement of the many historical monuments that dot the valley. This requires the keen adoption of an approach that combines economic and cultural considerations.

Fourth, the project has to ensure smooth and easy access between the cities of Rabat and Salé, to meet the growing transportation needs in the city. The implementation of various transmission facilities is provided for this purpose, such as the Tramway between Greater Rabat and Salé and the new Moulay Al Hassan bridge. The Udayas tunnel and pathways that extend from the roundabout of Bab Al Bahr, at a a length of 1,022 meters is expected to address the traffic problems facing the cities of Rabat-Salé.

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Oudaya Kasbah in Rabat, Morocco by Elooas. CC by 3.0



RIYADH

kingdom of saudi arabia

HIS EXCELLENCY ENG MOHAMMED S AL DABAAN

Deputy Mayor of Riyadh for Construction and Projects
Kingdom of Saudi Arabia

Eng. Al Dabaan received his Bachelor of Science in Civil Engineering from the University of Portland, USA, in May 1981.

He joined the Municipality of Riyadh as a civil engineer in August 1981. Before his appointment as the Deputy Mayor of Riyadh for Construction and Projects in January 2011, Eng. Al Dabaan had assumed a number of positions at the Municipality. These include Manager of the Building Licensing Department, Manager of the Exhibitions Department, General Director of Urban Planning, General Director of Social Services and Head of North of Riyadh sub-Municipality.

Over this time, Eng. Al Dabaan worked with his colleagues on the planning, design, implementation and supervision of many urban and municipal projects that converted Riyadh from a small city to a major metropolitan area of nearly 2,000 square kilometres and a population exceeding five million.

ABOUT THE CITY



CITY'S PRIORITIES IN THE NEXT 5 YEARS

TOTAL LAND AREA
1,200 KM²

POPULATION SIZE
5,188,286

POPULATION DENSITY
4,400 PER KM²

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RIYADH METRO

The population of Riyadh is projected to grow to 8.5 million within the next decade from the present 5.2 million. In response, the government has invested funds to upgrade public infrastructure. Over $22 billion in contracts has been awarded for the development of a 176km long network of metro lines in Riyadh, planned to improve the movement of local people within the city, and to service oil exporters in Qatar and Dubai by expanding transportation networks. The six metro lines are spread above ground and underground.

This development is envisaged to improve urban life in Saudi Arabia, which, because of its climate, has limited public movement in its cities. It also serves as a major driver of employment and economic development, by reducing traffic congestion and improving air quality. The new metro will also allow women to travel safely around the city without escorts and controls.

Iconic architecture of the various metro stations will serve as agents of cultural renaissance in the city centre. For example, the design of Qasr Al Hokm Downtown Metro Station highlights a new consciousness of the present generation, to build a future that recognizes the value of natural resources and its important role in urban regeneration. It is sustainable on multiple levels – environmentally sustainable in providing energy, water conservation, daylight harvesting, natural shading and ventilation; economically sustainable in providing an efficient public transport hub in a densely populated city to reduce traffic congestion, and above all socially sustainable, providing a vibrant public space for all the citizens of Riyadh to enjoy.

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ROTTERDAM

kingdom of the netherlands

MR AHMED ABOUTALEB
Mayor of Rotterdam, Kingdom of the Netherlands

Mr Ahmed Aboutaleb was born in Beni Sidel, Morocco and attended an institute of technology, graduating in telecommunications in 1987. He worked as a presenter for an educational television station (RVU); as a producer at Radio Stad Amsterdam and Radio Noord-Holland; and as a reporter for Veronica Radio, NOS Radio and RTL4 news. From 1991 to 1994, he was a press officer at the Ministry of Welfare, Health and Cultural Affairs. Up to 1997, he was Head of Information at the Social and Economic Council (SER) and until 1998 manager of the Communications and Publications Sector at Statistics Netherlands (CBS). In 1998 he became Director of the FORUM Institute for Multicultural Development and in 2002, director of the Social, Economic and Cultural Development Sector of the municipality of Amsterdam. In 2004 he was appointed to Amsterdam's municipal executive as alderman for Work and Income, Education, Youth, Diversity and Urban Policy. In 2007 Mr Aboutaleb was appointed State Secretary for Social Affairs and Employment in the fourth Balkenende government. He was installed as Mayor of Rotterdam in January 2009.

ABOUT THE CITY



CITY'S PRIORITIES IN THE NEXT 5 YEARS

- High Quality of Life: A Vibrant City Life
- Sustainable Environment: Water & Waste Management
- Dynamic Urban Governance: Fostering Good Governance

TOTAL LAND AREA
319.35 KM²

POPULATION SIZE
618,500

POPULATION DENSITY
1,936 PER KM²

CONTACT/www.rotterdam.nl



THE ROTTERDAM CLIMATE CHANGE ADAPTATION STRATEGY

The Rotterdam Climate Change Adaptation Strategy (RCCAS) is a new milestone in Rotterdam's transition on water governance, moving from a sector-specific water plan, via an integral water plan, to a more holistic adaptation strategy.

With the RCCAS, Rotterdam has set its course for future ways of dealing with more extreme weather conditions and rising sea levels. The City of Rotterdam joins forces with a growing number of stakeholders, with the water board partnerships as a solid foundation. New stakeholders enter the stage as a new generation of measures are implemented, with financial arrangements to match. At the same time, collaboration with knowledge institutions and businesses are crucial.

The Rotterdam adaptation strategy provides the framework and the starting point for a future-proof development of Rotterdam and ensures that, in the future, topics such as water safety, accessibility and the robustness of the city are included as the basis for each spatial development right from the start of the process.

The implementation approach is the next step in the adaptation process. With this, Rotterdam indicates where its priorities lie, which connections are being made to plans and projects by urban partners and how soon actions will be implemented. Central to the "how" of the implementation are: movement in parallel with planned projects, a regional approach by dove tailing with the area plans, creating added value and a joint approach. The choice and the costs of measures are an integral part of the decision-making in each project. The municipality has opted for a facilitating and stimulating role in additional to its formal duties. Rotterdam aims to remain at the forefront of realising exemplary projects as an innovative and climate-proof delta city.



SAN FRANCISCO

united states of america

MR MARK CHANDLER
Director of San Francisco Mayor's Office of International Trade and Commerce, United States of America

Edwin M. Lee, 61, was sworn in on January 8, 2012 as the 43rd Mayor of the City and County of San Francisco. Lee is the first Asian-American mayor in San Francisco history.

As Mayor, Lee has championed balancing the budget to keep San Francisco solvent and vibrant, expanding housing for all, economic development, job creation and public safety as his top priorities. Mayor Lee has worked hard to keep the economy and economic recovery on track, create jobs for residents and everything that supports a thriving economic climate like parks, transit, housing, quality of life in neighborhoods and public safety.

Mayor Lee was born in Seattle, Washington. He graduated Summa Cum Laude from Bowdoin College in 1974 and from Boalt Hall School of Law, University of California, Berkeley, in 1978. Mayor Lee is married with two daughters.

ABOUT THE CITY



CITY'S PRIORITIES IN THE NEXT 5 YEARS

- High Quality of Life: A Vibrant City Life
- Intelligent Cities
- Sustainable Environment: Water & Waste Management

TOTAL LAND AREA
122 KM^2

POPULATION SIZE
825,863

POPULATION DENSITY
6,769 PER_2 KM

CONTACT/ www.sfgov.org



SAN FRANCISCO-OPEN DATA PIONEER FOR A MORE LIVEABLE CITY

In 2009, as the world of data and cloud computing was exploding, the City of San Francisco made the decision to partially open its government data and challenge the world to create new applications that would enhance the quality of life in our city.

Mayor Lee upon entering office in 2011 made one of his first executive edicts opening all government data except those specifically confidential under the law. Mayor Lee then created and hired the city's first Chief Innovation Officer, who has overseen the Open Data process. Mayor Lee also challenged the city's technology sector to delve into our data and create applications for our citizens to make our city more liveable and sustainable.

Today over 60 new applications are available to every citizen free of charge to enhance life in San Francisco and the number grows every day. These applications cover areas as diverse as Parking, Parks, the Environment, Education, Crime and Government procedures and operations. Through "Hack-a-thons", through collaboration with the private sector and through individuals' diligence and ingenuity, living in San Francisco has become easier and more informed through our city's pioneering the use of Open Data.



CITY OF SANTA ROSA

republic of the philippines

HONOURABLE ARLENE B. ARCILLAS-NAZARENO
Mayor of Santa Rosa City, Republic of the Philippines

Mayor Arlene B. Arcillas is a recipient of the Presidential Lingkod Bayan Award from the Civil Service Commission and the Office of the President in 2011. It is the highest honor given to government officials and employees with extraordinary contributions that have nationwide impact on public interest.

She served as Senior City Councilor in 2004 and assumed the seat as City Vice Mayor in 2005.

When she was elected as City Mayor in 2007, Arlene anchored the programs of the City Government on the mission and vision which is encapsulated in the slogan Serbisyong Makatao, Lungsod na Makabago (Humane Service, Modern City). Just as the lion has symbolized the city with its roaring economy and vibrant trade and industry, she has transformed the City of Santa Rosa and made it live up to its accolade as the Lion City of South Luzon.

ABOUT THE CITY



CITY'S PRIORITIES IN THE NEXT 5 YEARS

TOTAL LAND AREA
55.48 KM²

POPULATION SIZE
284,670

POPULATION DENSITY
5,226 PER KM²

CONTACT/www.santarosacity.gov.ph



GREENHOUSE GAS ACCOUNTING & INVENTORY FOR THE CITY OF SANTA ROSA

The City of Santa Rosa has completed the greenhouse gas accounting and inventory in 2013, the objective of which is to measure the amount of greenhouse gases that the City contributes to the over-all global emissions which affect a change in climate and is a factor for global warming.

The case study revealed that about 1.9M tons CO2e per year were emitted by the City. The emission sources included the fuel and electricity consumption, solid waste and wastewater, industrial process emissions and agriculture. The case study revealed that the above figure is made up of greenhouse gas emissions as follows: 55.81% industrial process emissions, 36.77% emissions from energy use, 7.14% emissions from waste, and 0.28% emissions from agriculture. The industrial characteristic of the City means that the major contributor of greenhouse gases are the emissions from industrial processes such as the glass and electronics and semiconductor manufacturing firms. These industries utilize in their operations chemicals which have high emission factors, thus, producing higher greenhouse gas emissions.

With the identification of the major greenhouse gas emission sources, a local climate change action plan has been drafted. The draft plan includes the strategies to reduce carbon emissions.

A few of the strategies included in the plan being implemented are the continuous greening of the City through tree planting, reduction and diversion of solid wastes, banning of plastics and styrofoam and proper domestic wastewater management. Promotion of energy-efficient technology and water conservation are also undertaken to reduce greenhouse gas emissions.



SAPPORO

japan

HIS EXCELLENCY TADAFUMI INOUE

Mayor of Sapporo, Japan

Tadafumi Inoue, born March 21, 1995, is currently the Vice Mayor of the City of Sapporo. After graduating the Faculty of Law of Hokkaido University, he began working for the City of Sapporo in 1978.

His past positions include Manager of Tozai Line Crew Affairs (Transportation Bureau, 1997), Manager of Traffic Planning Section (Planning & Coordination Bureau, 1999), Manager of Traffic Measures Section (Planning & Coordination Bureau, 2001), Director of Citizen Affairs Department (Finance Bureau, 2005), Director Secretarial Department (General Affairs Bureau, 2007), Director General of Finance Bureau (2008), Director General of General Affairs Bureau (2011), and Director General of Mayor's Policy Planning Office (2012).

ABOUT THE CITY



CITY'S PRIORITIES IN THE NEXT 5 YEARS

TOTAL LAND AREA
1,121.12 KM^2

POPULATION SIZE
1,940,000

POPULATION DENSITY
1,727 PER_2 KM

CONTACT/www.city.sapporo.jp/city/english



CREATIVE CITY SAPPORO DECLARATION

The City of Sapporo announced the "Creative City Sapporo Declaration" in aim of becoming a city which makes use of diverse forms of artistic expression in order to tackle urban issues such as industrial development regional revitalization.

As a means of fulfilling this philosophy, Sapporo applied for and was approved by the UNESCO Creative Cities Network (CNN) in the field of Media Arts. Sapporo is the first city in Asia to enter the CCN in the field of Media Arts, and only second city in the world after Lyon, France. The City of Sapporo has provided support to its content industry and maintenance of artistic and cultural facilities which has had the effect of boosting the attractiveness of already existing resources such as its local cuisine and tourism scene.

This summer Sapporo will be holding the Sapporo International Art Festival, an event symbolic of its status as a creative city. It is to be held for the 72 day period of July 19 to September 28, 2014 and headed by Guest Director Ryuichi Sakamoto. The festival will feature media arts spanning diverse genres, such as contemporary music and performance.

Sapporo plans to develop new culturally creative industries that employ the use of digital technology. As a city of Media Arts, Sapporo will make effective use of the collaboration and sharing potentials of the CCN, and will continue improving the Sapporo brand and advancing industry promotion and the cultivation of human resources.



SASKATOON

canada

HIS WORSHIP DONALD J. ATCHISON

Mayor of Saskatoon

His Worship Mayor Donald J. Atchison is serving his fourth term as Mayor of Saskatoon, Saskatchewan, Canada. When this term completes in 2016, he will be the city's longest-serving Mayor. As Mayor of one of Canada's fastest-growing cities, Mayor Atchison believes progress requires decisive action. Under his leadership, the city has partnered with the public and private sector to build a great city. Three nationally and internationally renowned examples are the Shaw Centre for Aquatics, the SaskTel Sports Centre and the Remai Modern Art Gallery of Saskatchewan. Mayor Atchison leads the way in the most recognised housing programme in Canada. In five years, the city led the construction of 2,534 attainable homes. In the next 10 years, 5,000 more will be built.

Mayor Atchison has received the Queen Elizabeth the Second Diamond Jubilee Medal, and was awarded the Medal of Merit by the International Association of Lions Clubs, the Consumer Choice "Man of the Year" Award and the Canadian Sport Tourism Alliance President's Award.

ABOUT THE CITY



CITY'S PRIORITIES IN THE NEXT 5 YEARS

- Integrated Long-term Planning: Balancing Stakeholder Interests
- Intelligent Cities
- High Quality of Life: A Vibrant City Life

TOTAL LAND AREA
214.6 KM²

POPULATION SIZE
253,000

POPULATION DENSITY
1,120 PER KM²

CONTACT/ www.saskatoon.ca



THE CITY CENTRE PLAN

The City Centre, defined as the downtown and adjacent connecting corridors, is the financial, commercial and cultural centre of Saskatoon and the wider region. Saskatoon's growth is rapid and municipal policies and strategies need to be re-evaluated. Saskatoon residents expect a different city in the future; one that provides for all forms of transportation, has higher densities and is environmentally and financially sustainable over the long term.

The City Centre Plan will facilitate the development of a vibrant mix of uses including new residences, commercial office space, retail and restaurants as well as cultural, educational, and recreational opportunities. These uses will be supported through pedestrian-oriented design, high-quality open spaces and public infrastructure, additional parking opportunities and innovative public policy to foster private investment.

The City Centre Plan identifies a number of key strategies:

1) a strong and unique retail centre as a destination for the region

2) a new all-season network of public spaces throughout the City Centre

3) a broad network of pedestrian priority streets

4) improved connections to surrounding neighbourhoods

5) advancement of arts and culture within the City Centre

6) improved transportation; transit, bike, and parking systems

7) sustainable design through a Public Space Framework

8) city policies to foster private and public investment

Due to the size and complexity of the City Centre Plan, it will be implemented in phases over a 15-year period. Immediate initiatives may include design guidelines for the City Centre, and incentives for office buildings and public parking structures.



SINGAPORE SOUTH EAST DISTRICT

republic of singapore

DR MOHAMAD MALIKI OSMAN
Mayor of Southeast District, Republic of Singapore

Dr Maliki was elected Member of Parliament (MP) in 2001. Following the 2011 General Elections, Dr Maliki was elected MP for the East Coast GRC and appointed Mayor for the Southeast District by the People's Association. He is concurrently Minister of State for National Development and for Defence since September 2013. .

Before entering politics, Dr Maliki was Assistant Professor at the National University of Singapore's Department of Social Work and Psychology.

Dr Maliki serves as Chairman of the Community Improvement Projects Committee and the Private Estates Upgrading Programme in the Ministry of National Development. He is Deputy President of SAFRA, serves on the Committee to Strengthen National Service in the Ministry of Defence, and is Vice-Chairman of the National Youth Guidance and Rehabilitation Committee. Dr Maliki is Advisor to the Centre for Promoting Alternative to Violence, ADAM Association and East Coast GRCs' Grassroots Organisations.

ABOUT THE CITY



CITY'S PRIORITIES IN THE NEXT 5 YEARS

TOTAL LAND AREA

POPULATION SIZE
537,174

POPULATION DENSITY

CONTACT/www.southeastcdc.org.sg



NEIGHBOURS FOR ACTIVE LIVING — FRIEND A SENIOR PROGRAMME

Proactively responding to the challenges of an aging population, Neighbours for Active Living (Neighbours) is a health-social integration pilot by Eastern Health Alliance (EHA) and the South East CDC. The initiative aims to establish a comprehensive healthcare tracking system for local communities, taking priority to serve vulnerable seniors.

Neighbours require joint efforts of various stakeholders to effect changes.

EHA's Community Care Teams (full-time staff trained in nursing, social work and healthcare sectors) partner grassroots divisions and voluntary welfare organisations (VWOs) to provide necessary linkages to community resources to improve and sustain the overall well-being of vulnerable seniors.

Through the CDC, EHA works closely with the grassroots divisions to engage and develop residents as volunteer befrienders. EHA and the CDC also co-developed Friend A Senior Programme to empower and inspire these residents (mostly direct neighbours) to befriend and look out for the more vulnerable seniors.

The Neighbours pilot has taken off in 3 local communities, namely Siglap, Bedok and Marine Parade. EHA's Community Care Teams and 90 trained befrienders are engaging over 200 vulnerable seniors in these local communities on a regular basis. There are plans to expand this movement across more local communities with similar needs.



SINGAPORE NORTH WEST DISTRICT
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DR TEO HO PIN
Mayor of Northwest District, Republic of Singapore

Dr Teo Ho Pin is the Mayor of North West District in Singapore and a Member of Parliament for Bukit Panjang Constituency. As Mayor, he is responsible for implementing community development programmes for 719,000 residents living in North West District. He has been involved in Community Development work for more than 30 years. He is also the Chairman of Holland-Bukit Panjang Town Council and the Co-ordinating Chairman of 15 PAP Town Councils. Dr Teo graduated in 1985 with an Honours degree in Building from the National University of Singapore, and thereafter obtained his Doctorate degree (Building) from Herriot-Watt University (UK). He joined the National University of Singapore in 1985 as a teaching staff in the Department of Building. In 1991, he was seconded to be the Chief Executive Officer of Jurong Town Council responsible for the management of over 40,000 units of public housing flats. He was subsequently elected as Member of Parliament for Sembawang Group Representation Constituency in 1997. Dr Teo has also held directorship positions in various private firms.

ABOUT THE CITY



CITY'S PRIORITIES IN THE NEXT 5 YEARS

TOTAL LAND AREA
125 KM²

POPULATION SIZE
720,000

POPULATION DENSITY
5,760 PER KM²

CONTACT/www.northwestcdc.org.sg



HEALTHY LIVING @ NORTH WEST

There are five pillars under Healthy Living @ North West. They are North West Brisk Walking Clubs, North West Health Qigong Clubs, North West Dance Fit Clubs, North West Community Aerobic Clubs and North West SwimSafer Clubs for Seniors. The Clubs form an integral part of North West Community Development Council's (CDC) efforts in promoting sustainable engagements and healthy living. While the regular activities at individual club level facilitates interaction and build friendship among the members, North West CDC also organises high point events to bring all clubs together, to widen outreach, create and strengthen the sense of common identity as well as to facilitate bridging of diverse groups. Currently, we have 139 Brisk Walking Clubs with 68,000 members; 46 Health Qigong Clubs with 4,000 members; 46 Dance Fit Clubs with 2,800 members; 13 Community Aerobic Clubs with 400 regular participants and 3 SwimSafer Clubs with 70 members.



SOUTH SUMATRA

republic of indonesia

HIS EXCELLENCY H. ALEX NOERDIN

Governor of South Sumatra, Republic of Indonesia

Governor Alex Noerdin was born in Palembang, Indonesia. He graduated from Technical Faculty in Trisakti University Jakarta in 1980 and finished his second degree from Law Faculty in Atmajaya Catholic University in 1981. He served as a government officer the Provincial Government of South Sumatera in 1981 and was elected as the Regent of Musi Banyuasin Regency for two terms from 2001 – 2007. He was elected as the Governor of South Sumatera in 2008, and is now serving the second term in 2013 – 2018. Lead by Governor Alex Noerdin, the Provincial Government of South Sumatra has successfully held the South East Asian Games 2011 and Islamic Solidarity Games 2013. In 2014, Palembang was nominated as one of the candidates to host the Asian Games 2019 by the Government of the Republic of Indonesia. Governor Alex Noerdin received an award from the World Bank - Asian - EENET IDP and the Minister of National Education for his strong commitment and investment in education in 2007. He also received an award from the Government of the United States for the successful efforts in building the education sector in South Sumatra Province.

ABOUT THE CITY



CITY'S PRIORITIES IN THE NEXT 5 YEARS

TOTAL LAND AREA
3.74 KM²

POPULATION SIZE
1,503,485

POPULATION DENSITY
4,019 PER KM²

CONTACT/ www.sumselprov.go.id



JAKABARING SPORT CITY (JSC)

Jakabaring Sport City (JSC) is an of international standard sports complex in Palembang, South Sumatera Province; and also the largest sports complex in Indonesia. Located over 320 acres area, it has 17 venues for 39 types of sports. The sports complex was built in 2001 as the venue for the 16th National Sport Event 2004. It was expanded again in 2010 by adding a variety of venues to support 26th Southeast Asian Games 2011 which was held in Jakarta and Palembang. In 2013 it hosted the 3rd Islamic Solidarity Games on 22 September to 1 October. The up coming 17th ASEAN University Games and hopefully the Asian Games 2019 will be also held at JSC.

Jakabaring Sport City Development Strategy (Integrated Development Concept – Environmental Friendly) has the following points :

a. Compact City :

- Bussiness, Education, Culture & Art, Shopping, Tourism, Sport, Golf & Leisure, Apartment/Village

- Self Sufficient City within 5 km radius or 5 minute's Driving Distance

b. Smart City

- Just Plug-In: Established IT Network Infrastructure with other Urban Infrastructures in the common Utility-Pipeline

- U-transit, U-security, U-Environment protect, U-disaster prevention, U- information service will be available

c. Green City

- Greenery & Waterfront accounts for 40% of total area

- Underground Garbage Processing Systems & Water Recycling System

- Green Transportation : bicycle, pedestrian and gas fueled vehicles



SRI JAYAWARDENAPURA KOTTE MUNICIPAL COUNCIL

democratic socialist republic of sri lanka

MR JANAKA RANAWAKA
Mayor of Sri Jayawardenapura Kotte Municipal Council, Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka

His Worship R.A.D. Janaka Ranawaka is the current Mayor of Sri Jayawardenapura Kotte Municipal Council. He is qualified for the final stage as an AAT (Associated Account Technician) in Sri Lanka.

He was first elected to the Sri Jayawardenapura Kotte Municipal Council (KMC) as a Municipal Councillor in 2002. He was appointed as the opposition leader of the KMC in 2004.

In the 2004 election, he was re-elected with the second highest preferential votes and appointed as Deputy Mayor. In the 2011 election, he polled the highest number of preferential votes from among the other candidates from the Sri Lanka Freedom Party. He was appointed the Mayor and has served since then. He was the youngest elected a Mayor to date.

ABOUT THE CITY



CITY'S PRIORITIES IN THE NEXT 5 YEARS

TOTAL LAND AREA
17.04 KM^2

POPULATION SIZE
130,000

POPULATION DENSITY
7,629 PER_2 KM



SMOKE-FREE SRI JAYAWARDENAPURA KOTTE MUNICIPALITY

The Municipal Council of Sri Jayawardenapura Kotte was elected as the "Best Municipal Council" among Municipal Councils of Colombo District in Local Authority management competition 2013.

Sri Jayawardenapura Kotte Municipal Council is a two-time recipient of the award, having received the same honour in 2012. The award recognises its various achievements such as the distribution of books and milk to school children, and successes in the building of roads and in refuse disposal.

Further, the Kotte Municipal Council announced in February 2014 that it intends to make the Sri Jayawardenapura Kotte Municipality smoke-free.

The Municipal launched its smoke-free programme in 2014 with the support of the Minister of Health as well as religious leaders. Smoking has become one of the top causes for cancer, harming not only smokers but also people around them. The Municipal plans to first discourage vendors in the municipality area from selling cigarettes.

The Kotte Municipal Council area is already declared as a smoke-free area. The aim is to make the whole of the Kotte Municipality a smoke free area by 31 December 2014.

Source:
http://www.janakaranawaka.com



SUZHOU

people's republic of china

MR ZHOU NAIXIANG
Mayor of Suzhou, People's Republic of China

Mayor Zhou Naixiang graduated from Nanjing Institute of Construction Engineering. He started his career in Jiangsu Provincial Construction Group, and was trained in the Wharton Business School, University of Pennsylvania. He was appointed as the deputy Mayor of Taizhou City in July 2003. He then assumed the office of the Director-General of Jiangsu Provincial Tourism Bureau in March 2008, and became the Party-Secretary of Jiangsu Provincial Housing and Construction Department in July 2010. In March 2012, he took the post as the Mayor of Suzhou.

Mayor Zhou is an expert on construction engineering with the professional title of senior engineer. He has won various accolades including the National Model Worker of China, the National Organization Award for Model City of Environment Protection, and the Award for Efficiency and Vision by the Alliance to Save Energy.

ABOUT THE CITY



CITY'S PRIORITIES IN THE NEXT 5 YEARS

TOTAL LAND AREA
8,848 KM^2

POPULATION SIZE
10,550,000

POPULATION DENSITY
2,534 PER KM^2

CONTACT/ www.suzhou.gov.cn



PINGJIANG HISTORIC DISTRICT

Locating in the north-eastern corner within Suzhou's old town, Pingjiang Historic District is famous of its traditional dual chessboard spatial pattern delicately formed by intertwining water and road networks. Such connections include a river channel that is 3.5 kilometres in length and 13 ancient bridges.

Given the district's unique socio-historic heritage and architectural value, the municipal government of Suzhou initiated the Pingjiang Historic District Feature Protection and Environment Restoration Project in 2002 to protect the city's true historical relics and improve the quality of life for its residents.

Following the 1996 Conservation Planning of the Historical and Cultural City of Suzhou, the municipal government led the effort in formulating a series of plans and regulations including the Pingjiang Historic District Feature Protection and Environment Restoration Plan, the Pingjiang Road Streetscape Protection and Restoration Plan, etc. The Pingjiang Historic District Company was set up to implement the project. Through a series of key measures, such as heritage protection, remodelled sanitation facilities, river dredging, green replanting and so on, the district's traditional architecture is repaired, the infrastructure's level of services is enhanced, the living conditions are improved, and the area experienced a boom in cultural tourism.

This project showcases Suzhou's effort in historical and cultural preservation and revival. It has received extraordinary praises for its success in preserving historic features and maintaining a social network with an innovative approach. The project has an important impact and exemplary value for China and the world's historical and cultural protection and rehabilitation work.



SYDNEY

commonwealth of australia

THE RIGHT HONOURABLE THE LORD MAYOR OF SYDNEY CLOVER MOORE MP

Commonwealth of Australia

Clover Moore is Lord Mayor of Sydney, currently serving her third term. She is the first popularly elected woman to lead the City of Sydney and previously served on the City and South Sydney councils. From March 1988 Clover was continuously elected to represent the Bligh/ Sydney electorate as an Independent MP in the NSW Parliament. She was forced to resign on 21 September 2012 after a state law made it illegal for her to continue in both roles. Small bars, Freedom of Information laws, boarding house protection, strata title reform, making it illegal to incite hatred against members of the GLBT community and making same sex adoption legal are among her achievements. As Lord Mayor, Clover has led the development and implementation of the City's internationally renowned long term plan - Sustainable Sydney 2030. The plan includes ambitious targets to take action on climate change. Under her leadership, the City has developed a global reputation for delivering award winning facilities, protecting open space, promoting design excellence, delivering new transport options, championing sustainability and initiating progressive solutions to complex city social problems.

ABOUT THE CITY



CITY'S PRIORITIES IN THE NEXT 5 YEARS

- Sustainable Environment: Water & Waste Management
- High Quality of Life: A Vibrant City Life
- Integrated Long-term Planning: Balancing Stakeholder Interests

TOTAL LAND AREA
26.15 KM²

POPULATION SIZE
187,561

POPULATION DENSITY
7,017 PER KM²

CONTACT/ www.cityofsydney.nsw.gov.au



SUSTAINABLE SYDNEY 2030

In 2008, the City of Sydney completed Sustainable Sydney 2030, our long-term plan for a city that is environmentally, economically, socially and culturally sustainable. The plan strives to increase sustainability, while responding to growth pressures in our global city.

Sydney 2030 was developed through extensive consultation with residents, businesses, government, institutions and visitors, through forums, exhibitions and online.

The strategy inspires joint action across different levels of government, private sector and the broader community. Critical to its success is leadership focussed on implementation. Sydney 2030 commits to 70 per cent emission reductions by 2030 because research showed this is the target needed to play our part in averting catastrophic climate change. This work is guided by a suite of master plans to introduce trigeneration, expand renewable energy, reduce waste and reclaim water. The City has installed solar panels and retrofitted its buildings; introduced LED public lighting into New South Wales (NSW), and works with private building owners and tenants to meet targets.

In a car-reliant city, we've co-funded light rail with the NSW Government and built cycleways that increased bike riding by 113 per cent in just over three years.

Over the past five years, 40% of job growth in metropolitan Sydney took place in just the City of Sydney, particularly in our priority sectors of digital economy, creative industries and hospitality.

Sustainable Sydney 2030 promotes urban renewal development with well-designed public open space, transport and infrastructure. It supports affordable housing for essential city workers.



CITY OF TAGUIG

republic of the philippines

HONOURABLE MARIA LAARNI L. CAYETANO
Mayor of Taguig City, Republic of the Philippines

Ma. Laarni "Lani" Lopez Cayetano is currently the first female and youngest Mayor of City of Taguig. She was also the first female Congressional Representative of the first district of Taguig-Pateros.

She was 22 when she established the Progressive Ladies League of the Philippines (PLLP), an organisation that promotes women's rights, livelihood , anti-violence against women. She has a Bachelor of Arts in Mass Communication from Centro Escolar University and earned the United Nations Associations of the Philippines Youth Leadership Award in Politics and Governance. Under her leadership, Taguig is becoming one of the fastest-growing cities attracting investors and residents alike with its business-friendly and family-oriented policies.

As Mayor and wife to Senate Majority Floor Leader Sen. Alan Peter S. Cayetano, she is using her youth, dynamism and talents to glorify God by diligently and unselfishly serving the people.

ABOUT THE CITY



CITY'S PRIORITIES IN THE NEXT 5 YEARS

- Dynamic Urban Governance: Fostering Good Governance
- Integrated Long-term Planning: Balancing Stakeholder Interests
- Competitive Economy: Driving Investments

TOTAL LAND AREA
42 KM²

POPULATION SIZE
644,473

POPULATION DENSITY
15,344 PER KM²

CONTACT/www.taguig.gov.ph



TCISS: A HOLISTIC APPROACH TO SUSTAINABLE AND INCLUSIVE GROWTH AND DEVELOPMENT

The City Government of Taguig, as part of its commitment to improve the overall quality of life of its constituents, has embarked on the utilisation of an empirical and evidence-based planning and management tool called the Taguig City Integrated Survey System (TCISS). This is aimed primarily at establishing a baseline of all its constituents particularly those who are deemed most vulnerable and in need of services but have no access. Under this system, enumerators conduct house-to-house surveys to gather data on population, household, specific needs in the areas of health, sanitation, livelihood, education, public safety and the like. The information collected is then processed, integrated and translated into actual programmes and interventions that are responsive and focused on the people's expressed requirements. This, essentially, has done away with guesses and estimates, and ensured that the city's resources are put to good use.

The TCISS enabled the city to achieve social equity while raising the city government's accountability rating. It has made social services not only accessible but equitable, politically-neutral and expansive. Objectively identified and prioritised, constituents receive services such as wheelchairs, crutches, maintenance medicines for hypertension, asthma and diabetes, blood typing, late-birth registration, job matching, skills trainings and scholarships, free from political and personal manipulation and bias.

The TCISS has also empowered the people to better communicate their needs, as well as their levels of satisfaction with the programmes and services being delivered to them. All these resulted in enhancements in service delivery, and a growing positive attitude towards government.



TAIPEI

taiwan

HIS EXCELLENCY DR HAU LUNG-BIN

Mayor of Taipei City, Taiwan

Since his election in December 2006, Mayor Hau has worked to enhance quality of life in Taipei through urban renewal, with the cleanup and revitalization of Tamsui River and zero tolerance for crime. He set up the Beitou–Shilin Science Park, developed Nangang Software Park, expanded the MRT network, set up a city-wide YouBike network and improved services through the 1999 Citizen Call Centre.

Prior to becoming city mayor, Dr Hau served as Secretary-General to the Red Cross Society and Minister of the Environmental Protection Administration. He was twice elected to the legislature and taught at National Taiwan University's Institute of Food Science and Technology.

Under his leadership, Taipei has hosted several international events and will host the 2016 World Design Capital and 2016 Velo-City Congress and the 2017 Summer Universiade. Mayor Hau has also enabled direct flights from Taipei to mainland China and successfully developed Taipei into an important Asian tourist destination.

ABOUT THE CITY



CITY'S PRIORITIES IN THE NEXT 5 YEARS

- Intelligent Cities
- Dynamic Urban Governance: Fostering Good Governance
- High Quality of Life: A Vibrant City Life

TOTAL LAND AREA
272 KM^2

POPULATION SIZE
2,680,000

POPULATION DENSITY
9,895 $PER\ KM^2$

CONTACT/ www.english.taipei.gov.tw



YOUBIKE — A BICYCLE FOR TAIPEI

YouBike, the Taipei City bike share scheme, is one of the most accessible and convenient bike share systems in the world. With 159 docking stations and 5,235 bicycles today, daily usage exceeds 60,000 trips and the turnover rate is over 12 rentals per bike per day, perhaps the highest in the world. Youbike has been popular among Taipei residents and visitors alike, and over 90% of Taipei residents approve of the scheme. YouBike is now part of the public transportation network in the city, providing first- and last-mile solutions to link up to the public transport network, metro and buses. It has increased the efficiency of the municipal public transportation system and reduced the use of cars and scooters.

YouBike was first introduced in Taipei City in 2009 as a regional pilot programme with 11 docking stations and 500 bicycles, before expanding to other city regions in 2012. Registration for YouBike is easy — all one needs is an EasyCard (a "touch-and-go" ticketing system for the Taipei Metro, bus services, designated car parks, stores and government agencies) and a mobile phone number. The Taipei City Government is planning for more than 300 docking stations in the near future, making the average distance to between YouBike stations in the city less than 180 metres.



TAJIMI CITY

japan

HIS EXCELLENCY MASANORI FURUKAWA

Mayor of Tajimi City, Japan

Mr Masanori Furukawa, Mayor of Tajimi City, graduated from the Faculty of Engineering, Shibaura Institute of Technology.

He began his career in Tajimi City Hall in 1977. He later became a member of Tajimi City Council from 1987 to 1999, assuming membership in Gifu Prefectural Assembly from 1999 to 2007. At present, he is serving his second term as Mayor of Tajimi City. His term will end in 2015.

He has also served as President of the Japan Branch of the Alliance for Healthy Cities in 2011; President of Tokai District Association of City Mayors in 2012; President of the Gifu Prefectural Association of City Mayors in 2012; and is the present Vice President of the Japan Association of City Mayors.

ABOUT THE CITY



CITY'S PRIORITIES IN THE NEXT 5 YEARS

- High Quality of Life: A Vibrant City Life
- Sustainable Environment: Water & Waste Management
- Integrated Long-term Planning: Balancing Stakeholder Interests

TOTAL LAND AREA
91.24 KM^2

POPULATION SIZE
114,820

POPULATION DENSITY
1,258 PER KM^2

CONTACT/www.city.tajimi.gifu.jp



HIGH QUALITY OF LIFE

The city is making efforts to improve the quality of life of citizens in Tajimi, with the aim to be the best city in the prefecture in the educational and medical fields.

In the educational field, Tajima has made significant progress in scholastic ability at the elementary and the junior high school levels through "Nokatsu learning" whereby students repeat simple calculations for a short period of time every morning. The national achievement test carried out in 2013 shows that the average percentage of correct answers in Tajimi city is much higher than the prefectural and national average, both in elementary and junior high school. Additional to Nokatsu learning, we are currently promoting projects to improve physical strength and to improve the physique of students.

In the medical field, Tajimi city strives to improve health service conditions in co-operation with private practitioners and the Tajimi Prefectural Hospital. By reforming the management style of Tajimi Municipal Hospital, which includes partial privatisation, the city aims to address the shortage of doctors.

Finally, the city government recognises that by improving the environment, more people will come to live in Tajimi. And by increasing the population, the city can expect an increase in tax revenue, which can be used to improve ongoing community development projects. Leveraging this cycle, Tajimi city will continue its efforts in urban and community development for future generations.



TALLINN

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MR EDGAR SAVISAAR
Mayor of Tallinn, Republic of Estonia

Mr Edgar Savisaar, born in 1950, is one of the leading figures in the political arena of Estonia. He founded one of the biggest parties in Estonia, the Estonian Centre Party in 1991, and is the Chairman of the Party since its foundation. A historian by education (Tartu State University, 1973; PhD 1981), Mr Savisaar's political career began as Minister of Economic Affairs of Estonian SSR (1990); the first Prime Minister of the newly independent Republic of Estonia (1990–1992); Deputy Chairman of the Riigikogu (Parliament) (1992–1995); Chairman of the Tallinn City Council (1996–1999 and 2005); and Minister of Economic Affairs and Communications (2005–2007). He was elected as the member of the VII, VIII, IX and X Riigikogu from 1992 to 2001. Mr Savisaar served two terms as Mayor of Tallinn since 2001 and was recently elected for a third term in 2013. The most significant project under his tenure was the free public transport for registered citizens of Tallinn. He also holds the position of Vice President of the International Urban Development Association. He is the author of numerous articles, books and publications.

ABOUT THE CITY



CITY'S PRIORITIES IN THE NEXT 5 YEARS

- High Quality of Life: A Vibrant City Life
- Sustainable Environment: Water & Waste Management
- Intelligent Cities

TOTAL LAND AREA
159.2 KM^2

POPULATION SIZE
430,000

POPULATION DENSITY
2,700 PER KM^2

CONTACT/ www.tallinn.ee



FREE PUBLIC TRANSPORT IN TALLINN

In January 2013, Tallinn became the first capital city in the world to switch to free public transport for its citizens. For Tallinn, the main reasons for switching to free public transport were socioeconomic and environmental. The switch has greatly expanded the possibilities of low-income people to participate in the labour market and has stimulated the consumption of local services and products. There is less noise and pollution in the city centre, leading to a cleaner environment. Numbers show a 15% decrease in car traffic in the centre of the city; at the same time, the number of trips in public transport has risen by 21%. Also, 8% of the growth is from passengers that did not use public transport before.

In addition to municipal public transport, the programme was widened to national train companies as well. When buses in Tallin became free at the end of 2013, many commuters also switched from trains to buses. Even new, extremely comfortable and modern trains that were purchased during the year did not make travellers switch back to trains. The numbers returned to normal only when free travel became available on trains as well. As a result, the number of train passengers within city limits has tripled. The example with trains proves once again that the quality of the service is not enough. The crucial issue is price.

As for covering the cost, 60% of cost was already covered by subsidies paid by the city. The remaining 40% was covered by raising parking fees and extra tax revenue. Tax income for municipalities in Estonia is dependent on the number of registered inhabitants. A strong incentive to officially show Tallinn as their place of residence for those already living in Tallinn provided the city with over 30,000 new tax payers, resulting in the additional tax revenue.



TANGERANG CITY

republic of indonesia

HIS EXCELLENCY ARIEF WISMANSYAH
Mayor of Tangerang, Republic of Indonesia

Arief Wismansyah is currently the Mayor of Tangerang, a city of 1.7 million inhabitants and located in close proximity to Jakarta. Mayor Wismansyah is one of Indonesia's youngest mayors. He was born in Karawaci, Tangerang City, in 1977.

Prior to becoming mayor, Mayor Wismansyah was the Vice-Mayor and an entrepreneur. He was credited behind the development of 1000 free health clinics, 541 schools and improvements in flood mitigation systems, roads, sanitation and waste management.

Various innovations and tireless efforts were made by Mr. Arief R. Wismansyah while serving as Vice-Mayor. More than 30 national awards from the president of Indonesia and various ministries were given to the city.

Under his leadership, Tangerang changed from being one of Indonesia's dirtiest to cleanest city in Indonesia.

ABOUT THE CITY



CITY'S PRIORITIES IN THE NEXT 5 YEARS

- High Quality of Life: A Vibrant City Life
- Competitive Economy: Driving Investments
- Dynamic Urban Governance: Fostering Good Governance

TOTAL LAND AREA
184.24 KM^2

POPULATION SIZE
1,900,000

POPULATION DENSITY
11,000 PER_{KM^2}

CONTACT/www.tangerangkota.go.id



PROMOTING THE CULTURE OF CLEAN AND HEALTY LIFE

In 2007, Tangerang City is one of the dirtiest city in Indonesia as classified by Ministry of Environment. Given this status, Tangerang City Local Government together with stakeholders endeavored to promote the culture of a clean and healthy life to the community.

The hard work produced results and in 2009, Tangerang City received an award for the best effort to make the environment cleaner in the year 2009 compare to other cities and districts in Indonesia. Then in three-consecutive years (2010, 2011 and 2012), Tangerang City was awarded the "Adipura" in cleanest metropolian city category.

In 2013, Tangerang City received Adipura Kencana Award which is the highest award for city cleanliness and environmental management. This Adipura Kencana Award was given directly by the President of Indonesia on Environment Day in 2013, held at the State Palace.

The effort and commitment from the Tangerang City Local Government and its citizens to maintain culture of cleanliness eventually became a lifestyle.

In addition to the Adipura Kencana Award, Tangerang City Government also won awards in the Regional Environment Facility. This award is an appreciation of the cleanliness and waste management programmes.



TARLAC PROVINCE

republic of the philippines

HONOURABLE VICTOR A. YAP
Mayor of Tarlac Province, Republic of the Philippines

Victor A. Yap is in his third term as governor of Tarlac Province, after having served as Vice Mayor of Victoria, Tarlac, and as a member of the Board of Directors of Clark Development Corporation.

Gov. Yap finished his Bachelor of Arts in Economics degree at the University of the Philippines. The battle cry of his leadership, "Sulong Tarlac", has four pillars of development — education, health, agriculture/food security, and job creation/ employment.

ABOUT THE CITY



CITY'S PRIORITIES IN THE NEXT 5 YEARS

TOTAL LAND AREA
3,053.60 KM²

POPULATION SIZE
1,273,240

POPULATION DENSITY
417 PER KM²



E-GOVERNANCE FOR HEALTHCARE

Tarlac Province was awarded the top prize in the first-ever Jesse Robredo e-Governance Award for local government units. It received the top honour for its pioneering electronic health project "Wireless Access for Health", or WAH.

The award is a strategic programme to recognise, reward and showcase the pioneering ICT initiatives of local government units and to encourage the effective and efficient use of ICT in service delivery.

WAH digitises patient records at the rural health units and enables the electronic recording and reporting of health data from the barangays to the municipality, the province, and the Department of Health.

Tarlac Province rolled out the initiative 2010 with four rural health units and now covers more than 20 units across all 17 municipalities as well as Tarlac City. The data warehouse has over 200,000 patient records and consultations.

The Province works with various partners in this modern health information system, including USAID, Qualcomm, Inc., Department of Health, Tarlac State University, University of the Philippines, and the Zuellig Family Foundation.

The upcoming plan is to connect all 39 health centres in Tarlac, to enable regular data collection as well as contribute to evidence-based policymaking and effective implementation of health programmes.

Source:
http://healthmarketinnovations.org



TEHRAN

islamic republic of iran

HIS EXCELLENCY MOHAMMAD-BAGHER GHALIBAF

Mayor of Tehran, Islamic Republic of Iran

Ghalibaf was previously an army senior commander in 1980 war. In 1997, He was appointed as Commander of the Iran Disciplinary Force (Police) and later, as president representative in the Goods and Exchange Smuggling Commission In 2005.

He was elected by the Tehran City Council as the mayor of the capital in 2006.

As the Mayor of Tehran he founded Asian Mayors Forum (www.asianmayors.org) in Tehran in 2008 and was elected as one of the world leading mayors by City mayors group (www.worldmayors.org) because of his outstanding performance at the top of Tehran metropolis management. He was reelected as the Mayor of Tehran in 2013 by the City Council for his third term.

Ghalibaf teaches at Tehran University in 2003, where he focuses on geopolitics of the Middle East. He is also a commercial plane pilot.

ABOUT THE CITY



CITY'S PRIORITIES IN THE NEXT 5 YEARS

TOTAL LAND AREA
750 KM^2

POPULATION SIZE
8,700,000

POPULATION DENSITY
11,600 PER KM^2

CONTACT/www.en.tehran.ir



PERSIAN GULF MARTYRS' (CHITGAR) ARTIFICIAL LAKE

Persian Gulf Martyrs' (Chitgar) Artificial lake consists of a region with an area of 123 hectares and a 125 hectares harbour area. This complex, with an area of 257 hectares has become a great recreational place for the citizens of Tehran. This complex also has a regional and international function. The present west area of the Lake had 30,000 visitors each week visit this lake since its inauguration.

Before the construction of this lake, the place was used to dump building debris and garbage. Surface water and urban sewage made this area and its surrounding environment unhealthy. Moreover, because of soft soil at that location, great amount of dust was released at the region whenever there is strong wind. This brought air pollution and was nuisance for citizens of the urban project.

Currently it is the largest artificial urban lake in the country which was developed through more than 30 engineering technology. Various studies were also conducted about the site regarding social, environment and fishery. Special attention was given to environmental factors including quantity and quality of water for the Lake. Existing trees were maintained as well as the Forest called "Chitgar". The government also developed an alternative tunnel for the adjacent Hakim Highway, this will greatly contribute in conserving the natural environment.

As a result, it has become an attraction to many citizens and families from Tehran region and other parts of the country for social, cultural and recreational activities.



THIMPU

kingdom of bhutan

MR KINLAY DORJEE
Thrompon (Mayor) of Thimpu, Kingdom of Bhutan

Mr Kinlay Dorjee is currently the Mayor of Thimphu, Bhutan. He is the first elected mayor for Thimphu, and has embarked on various urban planning projects. Prior to this, Mayor Dorjee was formerly the General Manager of the Bhutan Power Corporation. As Mayor, Mayor Dorjee has planned to outline development initiatives; in February 2013, he endorsed a Behaviour Change Communication (BCC) Strategy to improve urban sanitation and hygiene for Thimphu City.

ABOUT THE CITY



CITY'S PRIORITIES IN THE NEXT 5 YEARS

TOTAL LAND AREA
26.13 KM²

POPULATION SIZE
79,185

POPULATION DENSITY
3,029 PER KM²

CONTACT/www.tcc.gov.bt



THIMPHU STRUCTURE PLAN (TSP)

Thimphu city is located in western Bhutan, and established as the capital city of Bhutan since 1961. To better plan and manage the growing city, the Thimphu Structure Plan (TSP) 2004– 2027 was formulated with the approval of the Royal Government of Bhutan, establishing a vision and set of objectives for the city. It highlights long-term implementation plans, with action proposals covering issues of transportation, water supply, sewerage, housing and more. The TSP was prepared through several consultations and surveys, and its main message stresses the importance of city development strategies which can integrate rich Bhutanese cultural heritage while caring for the natural environment.

One of Thimphu city's main projects lies in improving its urban sanitation and hygiene. In early 2013, Mayor Kinlay Dorjee endorsed the Behaviour Change Communication (BCC) Strategy to promote the adoption of safe, hygienic behaviour to improve residents' health. The Strategy framework is jointly developed between the Ministry of Works and Human Settlements (MoWHS), Thimphu City Corporation, Agriculture Development Bank (ADB) and SNV Netherlands Development Organisation, based on formative research to understand the enablers for behavioral change towards good sanitation practices. Key priority practices for the core urban area include timely septic tank management by owners, ceasing open defecation in informal settlements, and promoting hand-washing with soap in schools. The Strategy complements related infrastructural developments in Thimphu; a compost plant with the capacity to handle 30 tonnes of organic waste daily has been installed, aimed to "strengthen business and employment opportunities, reduce waste and prevent methane generation at the landfill". The Thimphu Municipal Corporation has also proposed to mechanize and upgrade the capacity of its existing waste stabilization ponds, to cater to the growing urban population.

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SINO-SINGAPORE TIANJIN ECO-CITY
people's republic of china

MR XU DATONG
Chairman of Tianjin Eco-city Administrative Committee, People's Republic of China

Chairman Mr. Xu Datong received his doctorate of Business Administration in Tianjin University. He used to be the director of Logistics Development Bureau of Tianjin Port Free Trade Zone (TPFTZ), and then worked as president of investment service centre of Tianjin Binhai New Area (TBNA), vice president of TBNA Administrative Committee and member of CPC TBNA Committee. In Jan, 2010, Mr. Xu was appointed as president of TBNA Commerce Commission.

In Feb, 2014, Mr. Xu was appointed to serve as the chairman and party secretary of Sino-Singapore Tianjin Eco-city Administrative Committee.

ABOUT THE CITY



CITY'S PRIORITIES IN THE NEXT 5 YEARS

- Competitive Economy: Driving Investments
- Intelligent Cities
- Integrated Long-term Planning: Balancing Stakeholder Interests

TOTAL LAND AREA
30 KM^2

POPULATION SIZE
12,000

POPULATION DENSITY
400 PER_2 KM

CONTACT/ www.eco-city.gov.cn



SINO-SINGAPORE TIANJIN ECO-CITY

Sino-Singapore Tianjin Eco-city is located in Tianjin Binhai New Area, with a planned area of 30 sqkm and development period of 10 to 15 years. The Eco-city project is a very good demonstration project to show China and Singapore's determination in combating climate change, reducing energy consumption and enhancing environmental protection. After five years' hard endeavour, the eco-city has taken initial shape. In 2012, the city was award by UN as "Global Green City" and it is also designated by Chinese Government as the first "Pilot Area for Green Development". Sino-Singapore Tianjin Eco-city will actively explore a sustainable way of urbanization and industrialization, providing a practical, scalable and replicable mode for cities in China and the world.



MUNICIPALITY OF TIMISOARA

romania

MR NICOLAE ROBU
Mayor of Timisoara, Romania

Mr. Nicolae Robu is a University Professor, PhD, who graduated "Politehnica" University of Timisoara as engineer in Automation and Computers. Before being Mayor, Mr. Robu had several high academic functions at "Politehnica" University of Timisoara: from 1990 to 2004 he was four times Vice Rector, from 2004 to 2012 he was two times Rector and in 2012 he was elected President of the University's Senate. Mr. Robu is honorary member of the Academy of the Romanian Scientists and the American Romanian Academy of Arts and Sciences and Doctor Honoris Causa in France and Romania.

In July 2008 Mr. Robu decided to enter into politics. From 2008 to 2012 he was Senator in the Romanian Senate representing the National Liberal Party and Secretary of the Committee for Education, Research, Youth and Sports of the Senate. In June 2012 Mr. Robu was elected Mayor of the Municipality of Timisoara.

ABOUT THE CITY



CITY'S PRIORITIES IN THE NEXT 5 YEARS

- Integrated Long-term Planning: Balancing Stakeholder Interests
- Competitive Economy: Driving Investments
- Intelligent Cities

TOTAL LAND AREA
130.5 KM^2

POPULATION SIZE
319,279

POPULATION DENSITY
2,350 PER KM^2

CONTACT/ www.primariatm.ro



TIMISOARA : AN INTEGRATED LONG-TERM DEVELOPMENT PLAN

An Integrated Development Plan (2010-2020) was created for Timisoara and its surrounding regions.

The priority of this strategic plan is to strengthen the profile of the city as a dynamic and innovative economic centre, competitive at European level, in a balanced multicultural and environmental context, in order to increase the citizens' quality of life and to support the sustainable development. In order to reach the strategy's objectives, the municipality planned for several ambitious projects.

The development vision of the municipality is orientated towards knowledge and performance. Timisoara's administration established a development concept for inventions and innovation in collaboration with several universities from Timisoara.

In 2012, the Municipality of Timisoara officially launched its candidacy for the title of European Capital of Culture in 2021. In order to support the candidacy for this prestigious title, the municipality prepares an annual cultural programmes.

On the same purpose, projects were initiated to modernize the city's infrastructure. Presently, the city have about 100 construction projects which includes the rehabilitation of the historical city centre and the revitalization of "Bega Chanel" banks. Both of them have important impact on culture, tourism and economy.

Also in 2012, in order to attract investments and create new jobs, the local authorities of Timisoara approved a "minimis" aid scheme which guarantees fiscal facilities to companies.

On parallel, Timisoara joined several European and national initiatives in order to fight the climate change effects.



TOYAMA CITY

japan

DR JOSEPH RUNZO-INADA
Policy Adviser for City of Toyama, Japan

Dr Joseph Runzo-Inada is an ethicist, environmental filmmaker and businessman, and the first American to serve as Policy Adviser to a major Japanese city. He is also President of the Elite English Corporation dedicated to providing an international understanding of the Northern Japan Alps region through eco and cultural tourism. Educated at the Universities of California, Michigan and Harvard, his work focuses on human rights, environmental ethics, global philosophy of religion and comparative global ethics. He has published 10 books and more than 50 scholarly articles. His honours include six National Endowment for Humanities awards from the United States and appointment as a Life Member of Cambridge Universities' Clare Hall College. As Toyama City Policy Adviser, he has travelled extensively with Mayor Masashi Mori to address OECD, UN and UTIP conferences on Toyama's award-winning eco-friendly compact city plan and to receive the Monde Selection Grand Gold Medal in Stockholm for the city's water achievements. Currently, he is working closely with the Dale Chihuly Studios in Seattle to establish one of the world's largest installations of Chihuly glass art in Toyama's new Kengo Kuma designed Glass Art Museum.

ABOUT THE CITY



CITY'S PRIORITIES IN THE NEXT 5 YEARS

- High Quality of Life: A Vibrant City Life
- Competitive Economy: Driving Investments
- Dynamic Urban Governance: Fostering Good Governance

TOTAL LAND AREA
1,241 KM^2

POPULATION SIZE
419,607

POPULATION DENSITY
338 PER_2 KM

CONTACT/www.city.toyama.toyama.jp



MEETING THE CHALLENGE OF AN AGEING POPULATION

Toyama faces both a declining population and a growing proportion of elderly people. The city is concerned about the negative financial effects of a decreasing population, with increasing social security costs for this ageing population and urban sprawl which increases maintenance costs and greenhouse gas emissions. To achieve sustainability, Toyama has been creating a compact city by revitalising public transport.

Its goal is an efficient compact city in which residents live within walking distance to the services they need for daily life: a compact city that is both sensitive to the elderly and friendly to the environment. This requires concentrating residential, commercial, business and cultural facilities along public transport lines.

Creating this urban environment where elderly people can live comfortable, healthy lives, is not only beneficial to the elderly, it is essential for reducing the next generation's social services burden.

One key project was to revive the Japan Rail line from the city centre to the sea, which had declining ridership. The city rebuilt this line in 2006 as a Light Rail system (LRT). This system has doubled the number of weekday passengers, tripled weekend ridership, and increased the number of senior citizens who use the new LRT line during the day by 3.5 times.

The LRT has enabled the elderly to go out more often and with this lifestyle change the city expects to see a long-term improvement in the health of senior citizens. Since 25% of the new passengers on the LRT formerly used buses or cars, this also reduces CO2 emissions.



TUTONG MUNICIPALITY

negara brunei darussalam

MR HAJI ALI BIN MATYASSIN
Chairman of Tutong Municipal, Negara Brunei Darussalam

ABOUT THE CITY



CITY'S PRIORITIES IN THE NEXT 5 YEARS

TOTAL LAND AREA
1,166 KM^2

POPULATION SIZE
43,852

POPULATION DENSITY
37.6 PER KM^2



TUTONG PLAN

The Tutong Plan aims to provide short, medium and long term development strategies towards the allocation of resources and balanced development for the district. It also targets to draw a cohesive framework for the development and undertakings. This ensures that the quality of the environment is secured, and the plan will take into account the sustainability of the natural environment.

A harbour is planned as a prominent feature of the Tutong Draft Plan covering development until 2025. It serves as the focus for marine-related industries and government administration for the district. The construction of Tutong Harbour on the coastline near the district centre is in the pipeline as a strategic response to the increase in offshore industries such as oil and gas, sea cages and coastal shipping. Other suggestions include the opportunity for new mainstream tourism initiatives such as a hotel and marina and even sports fishing.

This is part of a hierarchy of urban communities that has been designed for Tutong District to determine the appropriate facilities which will be built in accordance to each level of the community's infrastructure, under the plan.

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VALENZUELA CITY

republic of the philippines

HONORABLE REXLON TING GATCHALIAN
Mayor of Valenzuela City, Republic of the Philippines

Rexlon Ting Gatchalian is the 26th Mayor of the Valenzuela. In 2005, he was elected President of Waterfront Hotels and Casinos, the country's largest Filipino-owned first-class hotel operator. In the 2007 elections, the people of the First District of Valenzuela City elected him as the Representative for the 14th Congress of the Republic of the Philippines, making him one of the youngest members. During his first term as Representative he was elected as the National Spokesperson for the political party Nationalist People's Coalition (NPC). Gatchalian was re-elected for 15th Congress by a resounding majority vote of his constituents in 2010.

He is the youngest member of the Commission on Appointments in history, and the only Congressional Representation from the City of Valenzuela. He also serves as the Senior Vice-Chairperson for the Congressional Committee on Games and Amusement.

ABOUT THE CITY



CITY'S PRIORITIES IN THE NEXT 5 YEARS

TOTAL LAND AREA
44.58 KM²

POPULATION SIZE
605,379

POPULATION DENSITY
13,576 PER KM²

CONTACT/ www.valenzuela.gov.ph



DISIPLINA VILLAGE-BIGNAY

The Valenzuela government unveiled in early 2014 a large-scale programme to relocate 3,000 informal settler families, or close to 15,000 individuals, currently living along three rivers traversing Valenzuela.

The city government aims to build "Disiplina Village-Bignay" on an 11-hectare property within Barangay Bignay. This project is in line with the national government's target to relocate informal settlers away potentially hazardous banks of rivers and other waterways in Metro Manila by 2016.

The project is estimated to cost P1.2 billion (US$27.4 million), and will be funded through the city government and the National Housing Authority. It will comprise over 90 low-rise buildings with 3,200 housing units. A public rental system will be implemented for the units, owned by the city government. Settlers will need to pay a minimal fee of P300 (US$7) per month for their units.

A list of measures has been designed to keep order in the community and to prevent them from illegally selling their units, such as evaluating tenants for any violation. There will be no limit to the rental period as long as residents abide by the measures.

Within the project, plans are being made for elementary and high schools, a transport terminal, a market, four basketball courts, a health centre and a church. Also included in the site's development plan are a fire station, a police community precinct, a mortuary, three day-care centres, two playgrounds, two parks and a materials recovery facility.

Source:
http://newsinfo.inquirer.net



VIENTIANE

lao people's democratic republic

HIS EXCELLENCY SAYTHONG KEODOUANGDY

Vice Mayor of Vientiane Capital , Lao People's Democratic Republic

His Excellency Mr. Saythong Keodouangdy became the Vice-Governor of Vientiane Capital in 2010 and is responsible for education, health, labor and social welfare, information, culture and tourism, Red cross Organization, and foreign affairs.

He holds a Master Degree on the field of Evaluation Education. Previously, he was the Director of Vientiane High School (1994) and was later appointed as Director General of Educational and Sport department of Vientiane Capital (1995-2005)

In 1999, he became a member of the 4th and 5th National Assembly.

He became the Mayor of Chanthaboury district in 2005.

Vice-Governor Keodouangdy received a number of honours and awards from the government.

ABOUT THE CITY



CITY'S PRIORITIES IN THE NEXT 5 YEARS

- High Quality of Life: A Vibrant City Life
- Dynamic Urban Governance: Fostering Good Governance
- Intelligent Cities

TOTAL LAND AREA
3,920 KM^2

POPULATION SIZE
868,227

POPULATION DENSITY
221 PER_2 KM



UPLIFTING POOR FAMILIES IN VIENTIANE CAPITAL CITY

Vientiane Capital City is the capital of Laos, contains 9 districts,4 districts are urban and 5 districts are outskirts, 483 villages, with the land of 3,920 km² covered 1.7% of the country, with a population of 868,227 people, women 432,612, the density of population is 221 per km², total production in per capita 3,320 dollars U.S.

The capital is facing many challenges such as garbage, water pollution , air pollution, vehicle traffic jam and so on, but the city prepared a solution while these problems are in their early stages. The challenge for the Vientiane Capital City governance was to give attention and prioritise to solve the poverty problem of its citizens.

During the last 5 years, 210 poor families were lifted from poverty. In 2013, 103 more families with 520 people lives improved. Hence, on behalf of Vientiane Capital Governance, we would like to share our solution for poverty:

First, create a committee is appointed to address poverty capital Vientiane which includes directors of concerned departments.

Second, collect data of poor families in all villages and use data to classify each case as poor families lack jobs, financial capital, and land ofproduction and so on.

Third, create programs and activities to address poor families. The budget and financial support from government, private domestic and foreign organizations were used on case-to-case basis.

Fourth, implement projects and activities, such as professional training for poor families, helping in crops production and livestock, helping to build a house and allocating land to poor families.

Fifth, evaluate the program periodically to encourage project plan implementation.

Source:
Vientiane Patouxai Laos by Jean-Pierre Dalbéra. CC by 2.0



BONDI JUNCTION, WAVERLEY

commonwealth of australia

HER WORSHIP THE MAYOR OF WAVERLEY SALLY BETTS

Commonwealth of Australia

Having migrated from South Africa in 1974, Mayor Sally Betts was involved in the Tourism Industry, including working for the International Air Transport Association and Qantas, for many years. In 2005, Sally took up an advising role within the NSW Government and now works for the Federal Minister for Communications.

Sally was elected to Waverley Council in 1995 and is the longest serving elected Representative on Council. She is currently serving in her fifth year as Mayor. Sally is dedicated to the community and supports local charities in the area. Sally was the first female appointed as Area Chairman of the Salvation Army Red Shield Appeal, she is a member of the Administrative Committee of Ways Youth Services, and has been on the Eastern Suburbs Cancer Council Relay for Life Committee for the past six years.

Sally is also passionate about sustainable urban development, and plans to deliver smart growth in Bondi Junction without compromising our energy, water and waste reduction targets. The plan? Green Infrastructure.

ABOUT THE CITY



CITY'S PRIORITIES IN THE NEXT 5 YEARS

- **Sustainable Environment: Water & Waste Management**
- **High Quality of Life: A Vibrant City Life**
- **Integrated Long-term Planning: Balancing Stakeholder Interests**

TOTAL LAND AREA
1.07 KM²

POPULATION SIZE
8,614

POPULATION DENSITY
8 PER KM²

CONTACT/ www.waverley.nsw.gov.au



BONDI JUNCTION

Bondi Junction is the most densely populated area in the Waverley Local Government Area (LGA) and acts as the main shopping and business district for the Eastern Suburbs region. Bondi Junction is the most energy- and carbon-intense zone in the LGA. It accounts for 41% of the LGA's emissions and is predicted to account for over 50% by 2020 under a business as usual scenario. Its ambitious 2020 environmental targets:

- To reduce GHG by 30%
- Achieve zero increase in mains water consumption
- Maintain no net increase in waste
- Achieve 75% resource recovery of residential and commercial waste

The council is working on a Green Infrastructure Masterplan for Bondi Junction that will allow smart growth and economic development whilst improving precinct efficiency in waste, water, energy and transport, reducing costs and improving quality of life for Bondi Junction residents.

Waverley Council is a member of the Future Cities Collaborative an initiative of the United States Studies Centre at the University of Sydney



WELLINGTON

new zealand

HER WORSHIP CELIA WADE-BROWN
Mayor of Wellington, New Zealand

Celia Wade-Brown was born in London and graduated with an Honours degree in Philosophy from Nottingham University. She began her IT career at IBM UK. Celia emigrated to New Zealand in 1983. With her husband, Alastair, she set up an IT consultancy business, working around the world specialising in banking software. Celia was elected to the inaugural Council of the Internet Society of New Zealand and was the founding Chair of 2020Trust, set up to bridge the digital divide. Celia founded Living Streets Aotearoa, a voice for pedestrians. Celia was successfully elected as a Councillor five times and is in her second term as Mayor of Wellington, the capital of New Zealand. Alastair & Celia have two adult sons, a dog and five chickens. They live on the South Coast of Wellington and enjoy walking, cycling, kayaking and scuba diving as well as the capital's cultural delights of film, theatre and Maori performance.As Mayor, her top priorities are: active and public transport choices; good jobs especially in creative high-tech sectors; connecting citizens with nature; and support for local communities. Above all, she works with many partners to make Wellington "a city where talent wants to live".

ABOUT THE CITY



CITY'S PRIORITIES IN THE NEXT 5 YEARS

TOTAL LAND AREA
290 KM²

POPULATION SIZE
180,000

POPULATION DENSITY
618 PER KM²

CONTACT/www.wellingtonnz.com/



NEIGHBOURS DAY

Wellington City, the Capital of Aotearoa New Zealand, is an active and willing supporter of Neighbours Day Aotearoa, an annual event that is about turning strangers into neighbours and streets into neighbourhoods. Neighbours Day is a fun and valuable way to engage the many different communities in Wellington, achieving the very worthwhile aim of building community resilience. Neighbours Day encourages people to think about how to cope in an emergency, identify those who may need more help than others in times like these, and know which people have skills and capabilities to help others.

It's up to local communities and groups to come up with ideas and see those ideas through to fruition, and these range from street parties, barbeques, social sports events, kindergarten working bees and "fish'n'chips Fridays". The Wellington City Council runs special events for tenants in Council's social housing units, to honour who through their goodwill, hard work and voluntary contributions make their communities safer, resilient and vibrant places to live where people feel cared for and included.



WOOLLAHRA MUNICIPAL COUNCIL

commonwealth of australia

COUNCILLOR TONI ZELTZER

Mayor of Woollahra, Commonwealth of Australia

Toni Zeltzer has served Woollahra for six years as councillor and is currently the Mayor. As an elected representative of the Double Bay ward she has ardently supported urban revitalisation and renewal, where recent input from the Sustainable Future Cities program has been greatly valued. Her qualifications include a Bachelor of Science Degree (Environmental and Biological Sciences), a Diploma in Education and a Master's Degree (Hons) in Urban and Regional Planning. Toni is a former marine biologist, environmental researcher, teacher, general manager and has over 10 years' experience in the publishing industry. She also runs her own businesses in urban planning and design. An abiding interest in sustainable city form and in urban design that confers a sense of identity and leads to a strong sense of community, informs Toni's decisions on Council, particularly in regard to the built environment. Toni represented the combined municipalities of Woollahra, Waverley and Randwick in the synthesis of the Sustainable Sydney Metropolitan Strategy 2030, "City of Cities Plan", and contributed to Woollahra Council's Social Plan addressing social amenity in the community.

ABOUT THE CITY



CITY'S PRIORITIES IN THE NEXT 5 YEARS

- Integrated Long-term Planning: Balancing Stakeholder Interests
- High Quality of Life: A Vibrant City Life
- Dynamic Urban Governance: Fostering Good Governance

TOTAL LAND AREA
12.28 KM^2

POPULATION SIZE
57,677

POPULATION DENSITY
4,698 PER_2 KM

CONTACT/ www.woollahra.nsw.gov.au



DOUBLE BAY

Double Bay is located five kilometres from the Central Business District, 3.9 kilometres from Bondi Beach and is bounded by Sydney Harbour. It is one of Sydney's most iconic shopping precincts.

Changes in demographics, retail and consumer behaviour as well as the economic climate have reduced foot traffic, increased retail vacancies and reduced businesses servicing the community. Three major developments together with a range of key initiatives are the focus of efforts to revitalise the area. A US$92.5 million joint venture between the council and major supermarket chain, Woolworths will see new retail shops, supermarket and grocery stores, cafes and specialty shops. It will also include a new state-of-the-art public library and 442 public parking spaces. Complementing this development is the refurbishment and reopening of a premium 140-room hotel with facilities including ballroom, all-day dining restaurant, rooftop pool and bar, shopping arcade and day spa.

Woollahra Council has also called for expressions of interest for a private operator to enter into a public-private partnership for the redevelopment of the existing car park, with a view to bringing a cinema back to Double Bay to increase local entertainment options and further stimulate the local economy.

Through participation in the Sustainable Future Cities programme the council is developing a strategy to deliver a vibrant, successful and sustainable future for the precinct. This strategy includes a focus on the development of gateways, an arts and culture precinct, street activation, enhanced connectivity and movement, and increased residential population and sustainability.

Woollahra Council is a member of the Future Cities Collaborative an initiative of the United States Studies Centre at the University of Sydney



YALA PROVINCE

the kingdom of thailand

MR PONGSAK YINGCHONCHAROEN
Mayor of Yala Province, The Kingdom of Thailand

Mr Pongsak Yingchoncharoen is the Mayor of Yala City Municipality, Yala Province.

He has been elected three consecutive terms as a mayor of Yala City Municipality since 2003. In 2002-2003, UNESCO presented Yala City the remarkable award of City for Peace.

Mr.Pongsak has won many awards for Yala City and himself. One of these prize is King Prajadhipok's Institute under "Golden Prajadhipok" award for transparency and civic engagement categories in 2006, as well as the best city in strengthening peace and harmony in in 2012.

Yala City was honourably awarded for the title "Good Governance" by the department of Local Administration for three consecutive years, 2006-2008 and latest in 2012.

ABOUT THE CITY



CITY'S PRIORITIES IN THE NEXT 5 YEARS

TOTAL LAND AREA
19.4 KM^2

POPULATION SIZE
61,114

POPULATION DENSITY
3,150 PER KM^2



INCLUSIVE SOCIETY PLAN

The municipality of Yala has adopted an Inclusive Society plan, whereby the government organises a myriad of activities to promote inclusion. The objective of this plan is to promote equality among its culturally diverse population, so that people from all ethnic groups will participate in social, political, educational and local management, in an effort to resolve conflict.

The city hopes to achieve open communication and transparency through the organisation of cultural activities. The municipality has set up a community committee meeting project, a training and professional group meeting project, a child development centre, a university admission tutorial and a cultural exchange learning camp. The city hopes to be an example for others, in working towards a more inclusive society.

Yala is also a member of the Coalition of Cities against Discrimination in Asia and the Pacific.

TRENDING URBAN CHALLENGES



HIGH QUALITY OF LIFE: A VIBRANT CITY LIFE



SUSTAINABLE ENVIRONMENT: WATER & WASTE MANAGEMENT



COMPETITIVE ECONOMY: DRIVING INVESTMENTS



INTEGRATED LONG-TERM PLANNING: BALANCING STAKEHOLDER INTERESTS

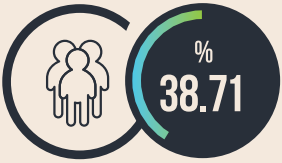


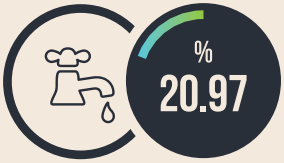
DYNAMIC URBAN GOVERNANCE: FOSTERING GOOD GOVERNANCE



INTELLIGENT CITIES

Prior to the Summit, the organisers held a poll on the key trending urban challenges facing cities leaders today. Six key challenges were put to a vote, from creating vibrant city life, to managing water and waste, and fostering good governance. Cities were invited to rank these six challenges in order of importance. A total of 62 cities were polled for the following results.





TRENDING URBAN CHALLENGES

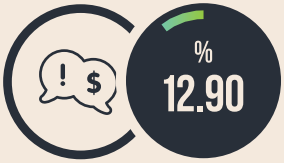
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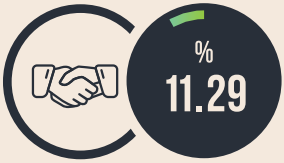
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SUSTAINABLE ENVIRONMENT: WATER & WASTE MANAGEMENT

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BACOLOD CITY /
BONDI JUNCTION, WAVERLEY /
BUCARAMANGA /
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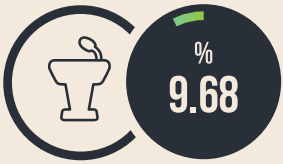
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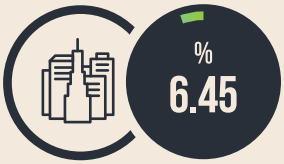
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