

## **CREATING INCLUSIVE, SAFE AND SUSTAINABLE CITIES: LOCAL APPROACHES TO GLOBAL CHALLENGES**

Vienna, 30-31 March 2017

### **Preliminary Agenda**

#### **THURSDAY, 30 March 2017**

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*Venue: Vienna City Hall*

**18:30-20:00**  
**Opening event**

**Welcoming remarks**

- **Michael Häupl**, Mayor of Vienna
- **Lamberto Zannier**, OSCE Secretary General

**Reception**

#### **FRIDAY, 31 March 2017**

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*Venue: Hofburg Congress Centre, Neuer Saal*

**09:00-09:15**

**Welcoming remarks**

- **Lamberto Zannier**, OSCE Secretary General
- **Tanja Wehsely**, Chair of the Vienna City Council Committee on Finance, Economy and International Affairs
- **Clemens Koja**, Permanent Representative of Austria to the OSCE and Chairperson of the OSCE Permanent Council

**09:15-09:30**

**Keynote address**

- **Ahmed Aboutaleb**, Mayor of Rotterdam (The Netherlands)



**09:30-10:30**

### **High-level opening session: Local approaches to global challenges**

Cities are often at the forefront in addressing many of today's transnational security challenges, including terrorism and violent extremism, organized crime, climate change, disasters, and mass movements of people. Yet as the complexity, scale and interconnectedness of these challenges continue to grow, cities are seldom called upon to contribute to national, regional or global policymaking addressing these issues. In view of the pace and scale of urbanization, cities should play a more prominent role in security policy discussions.

- **Joan Clos**, UN Under-Secretary-General and Executive Director of UN-Habitat
- **Park Won-soon**, Mayor of Seoul (Republic of Korea)
  
- Moderator: **Sian MacLeod**, Permanent Representative of the United Kingdom to the OSCE

**10:30-11:45**

### **Inclusive cities: Building integrated and cohesive societies**

Diversity is a major attraction of urban life, but it can also be a challenge for cities to build a cohesive society. Inclusive cities need to ensure that all individuals and groups have a sense of belonging, are integrated and connected, able to participate in public life, can influence local decision-making and enjoy recognition for their interests. By respecting and promoting diversity, cities can harness the potential inherent in diverse populations in terms of ideas, skills and connections to the wider world. Where inclusion fails, however, socioeconomic segregation and marginalization can pose serious risks to social cohesion and public safety, and lead to tensions and even conflict between groups. In light of continuing large scale movements of people from neighboring regions into Europe, the interaction or lack thereof between local people, long-time resident migrant communities and recent arrivals deserves particular attention.

- **Jørgen Kristiansen**, Vice Mayor of Kristiansand (Norway)
- **Tanja Wehsely**, Chair of the Vienna City Council Committee on Finance, Economy and International Affairs
- **Friso Roscam Abbing**, Head of Fundamental Rights Promotion Department, European Union Agency for Fundamental Rights
- **Seyma Genc**, Integration Ambassador, Ambassadors for Integration Network TOGETHER:AUSTRIA
  
- Moderator: **Katarzyna Gardapkhadze**, First Deputy Director, OSCE Office for Democratic Institutions and Human Rights

**11:45-12:00**

### **Coffee break**





