

Online Mayors' Conference: South-East European Local Governments in post COVID-19 Socio-Economic Recovery

AGENDA

DATE	16 September 2020, Wednesday
TIME	13:00-15:40 CET (14:00-16:40 Turkey, Bulgaria, Romania, Moldova)
OVERALL OBJECTIVE	Local governments of South-East Europe are empowered to successfully plan and implement post COVID-19 socio-economic recovery strategies
SPECIFIC OBJECTIVES	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Exchange on the impact of COVID-19 crisis on local governments 2) Exchange on the local socio-economic recovery strategies 3) Learning from the best municipal practices in dealing with the crisis and its consequences 4) Identifying policy positions of the local governments of South-East Europe for successful socio-economic recovery
PLACE	Online, Zoom platform
LANGUAGE	English language
PARTICIPANTS	Mayors, municipal experts, NALAS member LGAs
MODERATOR	Mr. Stefan Friedrichs, Public One

Time	Session
12:50 - 13:00	Joining the online conference
13:00 - 13:05	Introduction Mr. Stefan Friedrichs , Conference Moderator
13:05 - 13:15	Welcome address Mr. Emanuil Manolov , NALAS President and Mayor of Pavlikeni Municipality, Bulgaria
13:15 - 13:25	Key address: <i>Safeguarding local self-government in times of crisis</i> Ms. Gunn Marit Helgesen , President of the Chamber of Regions of the Congress of Local and Regional Authorities of the Council of Europe
13:25 - 13:30	Participants Interaction
13:30 - 13:40	Summary of the survey on the impact of COVID-19 and recovery strategies of SEE local governments Mr. Thomas Prorok , KDZ
13:40 - 14:10	Panel 1: Community mobilisation in dealing with COVID-19

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	<p>Good municipal practices by Istanbul Metropolitan Municipality, Turkey - 'Pay It Forward' Campaign and Colibashi, Moldova - Mobilisation of diaspora and upscaling the local brand "With love from Colibasi"</p> <p>Mr. Ekrem İmamoğlu, Mayor of Istanbul Metropolitan Municipality (<i>video message</i>)</p> <p>Mr. İbrahim Orhan Demir, Deputy Secretary General of Istanbul Metropolitan Municipality</p> <p>Mr. Naim Erol Özgüner, Head of IT Dpt., Istanbul Metropolitan Municipality</p> <p>Mr. Ion Dolganiuc, Mayor of Colibashi</p> <p>Ms. Alexandra Vutcariov, Municipal expert</p> <p>Q&A and discussion session</p>
14:10 - 14:40	<p>Panel 2: Improving access and opportunities</p> <p>Good municipal practices by Kocevje, Slovenia – support to disadvantaged children to attend online schooling and Podgorica, Montenegro - digitalisation of municipal services</p> <p>Dr. Vladimir Prebilič, Mayor of Municipality of Kočevje, Slovenia</p> <p>Mr. Džemal Lekić, Director of the Information System Service of the Capital City of Podgorica</p> <p>Q&A and discussion session</p>
14:40 - 14:50	Participants Interaction and Short Break
14:50 - 15:20	<p>Panel 3: Support to local economy</p> <p>Good municipal practices by Ciugud, Romania - Online platform for offering domestic products and Slatina, Croatia - Free business consulting services for entrepreneurs</p> <p>Mr. Gheorghe Damian, Mayor of Ciugud</p> <p>Mr. Dan Lungu, Ciugud Communication Officer</p> <p>Mr. Denis Ostrošić, Mayor of Slatina</p> <p>Ms. Anita Rastija, Deputy Head of Development Department</p> <p>Q&A and discussion session</p>
15:20 - 15:35	<p>Local Government Associations' Reflections</p> <p>Mr. Đorđe Staničić, Secretary General of SCTM</p> <p>Mr. Sazan Ibrahimi, Executive Director of AKM</p>
15:35 – 15:40	<p>Endorsing policy positions of the local governments of South-East Europe for successful recovery</p> <p>Ms. Silvia Georgieva, Executive Director of NAMRB</p>
15:40	<p>Closing</p> <p>Mr. Kelmend Zajazi, NALAS Executive Director</p>

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