



AGENDA

World Business Angels Investment Forum
An affiliated partner of the G20 Global Partnership for Financial Inclusion (GPII)

World Smart Cities Economic Development Commission

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Master of Ceremonies
Kevin Hin

WBAF Senior Senator Monaco & Board Member Ban Ki-moon Centre for Global Citizens

Time Zone: GMT

2pm

Welcome Speech:

Kevin Hin,
Master of Ceremonies

WBAF Senior Senator Monaco,
Board Member Ban Ki-moon Centre for Global Citizens

2.05pm

Opening Remarks:

Baybars Altuntas,
Executive Chairman World Business Angels Investment Forum
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2.15pm

Opening Remarks:

Dr Ingrid Vasiliu-Feltes
Co-founder, World Smart Cities Economic Development Commission

2.20pm

Opening Remarks:

H.E. Martha Delgado,
President, World Smart Cities Economic Development Commission
Deputy Minister of Foreign Affairs Mexico

2.30pm

Keynote Speech:

Transformation of Cities in the Digital Age: The Opportunity for Entrepreneurs

Francis X. Suarez,
City of Miami Mayor, FL

2.45pm

Presentation: Role of Smart Cities in Post-pandemic Times

Raimundo Rodulfo, P.E., MSEM, PMP, CSSBB, Director of Information Technology and Chief Innovation Officer, City of Coral Gables, FL, USA

2.55pm

Hot Topic:

Role of Smart Cities from SDG Perspective

The World Smart Cities Economic Development Commission is committed to becoming an active key stakeholder in the quest for creating smart entrepreneurial ecosystems that have the potential to make positive impacts on the achievement of the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs).

This panel will explore how SDGs apply to cities, regions and nations around the world, and how we can come up with innovations that can directly address the challenges related to sustainable urbanization.

Moderator:

Dr Ingrid Vasiliu-Feltes, Co-founder and Board Member World Smart Cities Economic Development Commission WSC EDC WBAF

Kevin Hin, Board Member Ban Ki-moon Centre for Global Citizens

Monika Froehler, CEO Ban Ki-moon Centre for Global Citizens

3.10pm

Presentation: Engagement of Technoparks with Smart Cities

Dr Aylin Tumay, Chief Executive Officer, Antalya Technopark, Turkey
Dr Huseyin Uvet, Chief Advisor for the Technology Development, Muratpasa Municipality, Antalya, Turkey

3.20pm

Open Forum:

Action Plans of the World Smart Cities Economic Development Commission

Recent reports and articles published by international organizations such as the WEF, OECD, the World Bank, Barclays, and Deloitte highlight an increased interest in developing smart cities. It is incumbent upon us to leverage all collective global talent, expertise and experience to create sustainable and inclusive urban living

environments. These reports emphasize that cities find themselves at the centre of the global crisis and that they must rethink, recalibrate and rebuild the economy by designing cities that are 'more liveable, sustainable, resilient and affordable'. The discussants will discuss actions plans of the Commission as a response to this increased interest in developing smart cities.

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Speakers:

Theodore Waz, CEO, Ambitna, USA

Jorden Woods, Founding Partner StarChain Ventures, Managing Partner and Founder DoubleNova Group, USA

Rand Neveloff, Co-Chairman and CEO, LINK Global Group S.A, USA and Advisory Board Member World Smart Cities Economic Development Commission

Dr Marcell Vollmer, Partner and Director, Boston Consulting Group, Germany and Board Member World Smart Cities Economic Development Commission

3.50pm

Mayors Roundtable 2021:

Positioning cities as a main driver of the innovation and entrepreneurship ecosystems through regional and international collaborations

Smart cities are defined as urban centres that not only leverage technology to improve their own operations but also connect with citizens, businesses and non-profits in novel ways. In order to be successful, all key stakeholders of the global urban development ecosystem need to be open to novel funding sources, novel business models, and novel implementation strategies, and they must use design thinking for planning the smart cities of the future.

The discussants will explain how they plan to encourage collaboration between the ecosystems they lead. They will also explore ways to develop an international dialogue between public and private institutions that will empower entrepreneurship and innovation in the cities of the future in the context of the worldwide digital transformation.

Moderator:

Dr Ingrid Vasiliu-Feltes, Co-founder and Board Member World Smart Cities Economic Development Commission

Speakers:

H.E. Thomas Mxolisi Kaunda, Mayor of Durban City, South Africa

Filipe Araujo, Vice Mayor of Porto City, Portugal

Jelka Tepšić, Deputy Mayor of Dubrovnik City, Croatia

Closing Remarks:

H.E. Germán Rueda, Deputy Minister, Digital Transformation - Ministry of Information and Communication Technologies, Republic of Colombia

4.30pm

Announcement of the Manifesto:

Manifesto of the World Smart Cities Economic Development Commission (WSC-EDC)

Presenters on behalf of the Board:

Prof. Bharat Dahiya, Director, Research Center for Sustainable Development and Innovation School of Global Studies, Thammasat University, Thailand; Founding Board Member, World Smart Cities Economic Development Commission

Dr Ingrid Vasiliu-Feltes, Co-founder and Board Member World Smart Cities Economic Development Commission

4.35pm

Bell Ceremony:

Launch of the World Smart Cities Economic Development Commission

4.40pm

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