Are you familiar with the work of UCLG?
United Cities and Local Governments (UCLG) is the world organization of local and regional governments and their associations, representing and defending their interests on the world stage.

An inheritor of the century-old International Municipal Movement, UCLG was created in 2004 when local and regional authorities across the world decided to unite their voices before the international community.

UCLG facilitates the work of the Global Taskforce of Local and Regional Governments, which gathers over 30 networks active at international level.

**UCLG Represents**
- **5 billion** people across the world
- **70%** of the world's population

**Where Are We?**
- **140** of the 193 United Nations member states
- **7** regional sections
  - Africa
  - Asia-Pacific
  - Europe
  - Eurasia
  - Latin America
  - Middle East and North Africa
  - North America
- **1** metropolitan section
- **1** forum of regions

**Our Goals**
- **Reinforce** the role of local and regional governments in international decision-making processes.
- **Mobilize** local action in favour of development.
- **Promote** strong and effective local and regional governments and representative national associations.
- **Encourage** innovation that benefits local governance.

TO SHAPE A BETTER FUTURE

TO SHARE THE INNOVATIVE INITIATIVES OF LOCAL AND REGIONAL GOVERNMENTS AT INTERNATIONAL LEVEL

TO INFLUENCE THE GLOBAL DEVELOPMENT AGENDA

A STRONG AND UNITED VOICE BEFORE THE INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY

PROMOTING FAIR AND SUSTAINABLE SOCIETIES CHARACTERIZED BY SOLIDARITY AND BASED ON LOCAL DEMOCRACY, SELF-GOVERNMENT AND DECENTRALIZATION
Learning at UCLG

Through training, creating a learning culture throughout the organization and promoting decentralized cooperation as a key tool of international cooperation and development programs.
Localizing the SDGSs – Training of Trainers

Learning Module 1: Localizing the SDGs /Introduction

Learning Module 2: Territorial Planning to Achieve the SDGs

SDGs Learning Module 3: Reporting to national & local reviews

Peer Learning

#23 Amazonian Cities
Peer learning about the sustainable use of benevolent ecosystems

#24 Local and Regional Disaster Risk Reduction

#25 Urban Migration: Strengthening Cooperation with Civil Society

Learning Tools

Base Plan. An inclusive planning tool for intermediary cities

The Sustainable Development Goals -SDGs in the municipal map

Monitoring the global agenda in municipalities: the Mandala tool
#BeyondTheOutbreak
Live Learning Experiences

Virtual space for exchanges, collective learning, and policy recommendations. Adapting didactic methodologies to virtual environment.
Live Learning Experience: Beyond the immediate response to the outbreak of COVID-19

• Local and Regional Governments at the frontline of the response and recovery through public service provision.
• Schools and care centers play a role beyond education (meals, social services, etc.).
• Confinement can easily exacerbate educational inequalities, particularly in contexts marked by social vulnerability and limited access to the internet.
• Communication barriers, be it due to language diversity, accessibility or lack of access to information.
• Cultural concerns must be at the centre of the recovery.
• Home schooling and childcare tasks continue to fall disproportionately on women.
• Importance of gender mainstreaming when applying digital technologies.
• Digital tools must ensure that citizen’s rights are being protected as well as serve to bridge the socioeconomic divide and promote the transformation needed to achieve the global agendas.
• Learning and capacity building for public service workers.
The Global Agenda beyond the outbreak

The SDGs and the localization of the Agenda 2030 provides a key framework to implement the transformation that will be necessary beyond the outbreak for a sustainable future.
How has COVID-19 impacted the localization of Global Agendas

• The crisis has impacted all policy areas
• The sustainable development agenda confronts additional challenges
• Global Agendas don’t count with adequate finance
• Urban agglomerations have been particularly impacted

• Public service provision has gained respect and recognition
• Resiliency and the new normal are an opportunity for urban transformations
• The local level has been recognized as the most pertinent for action and implementation
UCLG Decalogue for The COVID-19 aftermath

1. GUARANTEEING Public Services

2. FINANCIAL Support packages

3. Proximity models of CONSUMPTION and PRODUCTION

4. A worldwide GREEN DEAL

5. NEW CITIZENSHIP and freedoms for renewed democracy

6. GENERATION EQUALITY

7. Territories that care for their PUBLIC PROVIDERS

8. CULTURE AS AN ANTIDOTE for the secondary effects

9. An INTERURBAN SYSTEM

10. Next GENERATION MULTILATERALISM
SDG Principles

1. Based on experience
2. Multi-dimensional
3. Leave no one behind
4. Global in nature
5. Universal
6. Integral
7. Inclusive
8. Measurable

“We need food for our reflections on multilateralism, the Decalogue is a political process [for the post Covid-19 era] and will therefore contribute to the dialogue #UN75”

Emilia Sáiz
Secretary General of UCLG (United Cities & Local Governments)
Next Steps: Deepening mindful online learning

Enhance online meetings formats being mindful of individuals, continue improving and adapting to online learning formats (MOOCs, virtual forums, workspaces, etc.), and recognize the value of face-to-face learning opportunities.