



## CONCEPT NOTE

### *Assembly Track: Regional and territorial priorities driving our strategy*

**Tuesday 22 February 2022, 14:30-16:00 (CET)**

### **Background**

The UCLG Assembly Track Process is the space for UCLG Sections and continental groups to define their policy-making priorities and align them with the overall work of the World Organization.

The Assembly Track includes UCLG Sections and local and regional government representatives as the key drivers, ensuring that the policy process of the World Organization is truly bottom-up, for the people and by the people. The UCLG Committees, which are driven by local and regional governments with specific policy focuses, will be able to contribute their thematic priorities throughout the process, developing links with the regional priorities.

Through the Assembly Track, UCLG Sections will hold consultations with their own membership to develop position papers to be presented during the Assembly sittings in the framework of the World Summit of Local and Regional Leaders. The papers, as well as the Assembly sittings in Daejeon, are in turn expected to provide a set of recommendations for the local and regional governments' movement, becoming a part of the work of the newly elected UCLG Presidency and an integral component of the Pact for the Future.

The political priorities included in the Assembly Position Papers will form a compendium of policy inputs that the Presidency will receive to build the Pact for the Future. The compendium of policy recommendations will be used as inputs to the World Organization 2023 work programme and renewal of the strategic priorities as from 2022 onwards. The outcomes of the Daejeon World Summit and Congress are set to inspire an entire decade of local action.





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## Kicking off the Assembly at the UCLG Retreat

The Assembly process aims to consolidate the voice of the constituency before the United Nations, towards continental mechanisms and, above all, to increase ownership of the members and the Section in regards to the policy definition of the World Organization.

The Assembly session in the Retreat will aim at bringing together representatives from the UCLG Sections to define the general priorities for the coming years and bring together their vision for the Assembly Process. Representatives from the Sections are expected to identify the critical issues that will guide the policy of their region, and how these priorities influence the overall strategy of UCLG, following a draft template.

With the three axes of the Pact for the Future (people, planet, and government) as a guide for the policy papers and the overall assembly process, the regional sections are proposed to address their priorities in a way that can engage with the process of the Pact for the Future, as well as to identify linkages and synergies with the universal development agendas.

This first preparatory gathering of the Assembly Track will allow to identify current contexts, assess how priorities are evolving and what has changed since Durban and be the first step towards the consultations that will take place from March-April 2022.





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## Draft Agenda

14:30-14:40

**Welcoming words and presentation of the Track including draft template**

UCLG World Secretariat

14:40-15:20

**Tour-de-Table: UCLG Sections at the driver's seat**

UCLG Regional Sections

15:20-15:50

**From Durban to Daejeon: Linking thematic and regional priorities**

UCLG Regional Sections and representatives from UCLG Committees

15:50-16:00

**Wrap-up and roadmap**

UCLG Secretary General