

Item 2.2 – Annex 7

**CANDIDATURES TO CHAIR OF THE UCLG STANDING COMMITTEE ON  
GENDER EQUALITY**

**Summary and recommendations**

The process of the call for candidatures for the Chair of the UCLG Standing Committee on Gender Equality is a global exercise that is carried out through an open call to all members.

The calendar and announcement were agreed by the Committee on Statutory Affairs during the 2022 Executive Bureau. The call was announced in June 2022 and disseminated among the UCLG membership by e-mail. Candidatures were to be submitted by 1 August 2022

There are currently two candidates to the post of Chair of the Standing Committee.

**THE STATUTORY RULES**

1. According to Article 58 of the Constitution, the Presidency, comprising the President and up to five Co-Presidents, is elected by the World Council from among local government members. The Presidency will also include the Chair of the Standing Committee on Gender Equality as an *ex officio* member with full rights should gender balance not be achieved.
2. According to article 59, candidacies for the President and Co-Presidents may be presented by: a) the Executive Bureau; or b) at least 6 local government members from different countries and at least two different world regions (in addition to their own). Support needs to be sought from members in different world regions, but not *per se* by a Section itself.
3. Despite the global character of the mandate, it is generally understood that the presidential college of the World Organization is more sustainable if composed of members coming from different Sections and representing the broad diversity of the organization.



## STATE OF CANDIDATURES

The World Secretariat has received two candidatures for the post of Chair of the Standing Committee on Gender Equality, in alphabetical order:

**Abdel Malick, Fatimetou**, President of Nouakchott Regional Council  
**Cosse, Carolina**, Mayor of Montevideo

***The candidature complies with the basic requirements.*** You will find in a separate file the documents submitted by the candidate, namely biography and motivation letter. The overview of supports can be summarised as follows:

- a) **Fatimetou Abdel Malick**, President of Nouakchott Regional Council
  - City support: **8**, from 6 Sections: Africa, Eurasia, Europe, LATAM, MEWA, Metropolis
  - Section support: **3**: Africa, ASPAC, LATAM
  - Association support: **2**, from 1 Section: Africa
  
- b) **Carolina Cosse**, Mayor of Montevideo
  - City support: **8**, from 3 Sections: Europe, NORAM, Metropolis
  - Section support: **2**: LATAM
  - Association support: **2**, from 1 Section: Europe

## CANDIDATURES TO PRESIDENCY OF UCLG STANDING COMMITTEE ON GENDER EQUALITY

### Overview of support statements

Candidatures were required to include:

- Short biography
- Manifesto or motivation letter
- Statements of support from 6 different local government members from at least 3 different sections
- Explicit acceptance of the terms of reference for the Chairperson of the Standing Committee on Gender Equality

CANDIDATE	SUBMISSION	CITIES/REGIONS SUPPORT	SECTION SUPPORT	ASSOCIATIONS SUPPORT
<p><b>Fatimetou Abdel Malick</b>, President of Nouakchott Regional Council, President of UCLG-Africa</p> <p>As <b>Chairperson of the Standing Committee on Gender Equality</b></p> <p>Membership status of the candidate: <b>Member since 2019</b></p> <p>Original membership: <b>Nouakchott Regional Council</b></p> <p><i>Supports from members</i> Africa: 3 Eurasia: 2 Europe: 1 LATAM: 1 MEWA: 1 Metropolis: 2</p> <p><i>Supports from Sections</i> Africa: 1 ASPAC: 1 LATAM: 1</p> <p><b>Total: 13</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- CV</li> <li>- Motivation letter</li> <li>- Acceptance of terms of reference for Chairperson of the Standing Committee</li> <li>- 13 statements of support from 7 different sections</li> </ul>	<p><b>AFRICA</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Mandlakazi (Mozambique)</li> </ol> <p><b>EURASIA</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>2. Bugulma (Russian Federation)</li> <li>3. Kazan (Russian Federation)</li> </ol> <p><b>EUROPE</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>4. Paris (France)</li> </ol> <p><b>LATAM</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>5. Montevideo (Uruguay)</li> </ol> <p><b>MEWA</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>6. Konya (Turkey)</li> </ol> <p><b>METROPOLIS</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>7. Gauteng Province (South Africa)</li> <li>8. Montréal (Canada)</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Mercociudades</li> <li>2. UCLG-Africa</li> <li>3. UCLG-ASPAC</li> </ol>	<p><b>AFRICA</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Rwanda Association of Local Government Authorities – RALGA (Rwanda)</li> <li>2. South African Local Government Association – SALGA (South Africa)</li> </ol>

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<p><b>Carolina Cosse</b>, Mayor of Montevideo</p> <p>As <b>President / Co-President / Chairperson of the Standing Committee on Gender Equality</b></p> <p>Membership status of the candidate: <b>Member since 2013</b></p> <p>Original membership: <b>Montevideo</b></p> <p><i>Supports from members</i> Europe: 4 NORAM: 1 Metropolis: 5</p> <p><i>Support from Sections</i> LATAM: 2</p> <p><b>Total: 12</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Biography</li> <li>- Motivation letter</li> <li>- 12 statements of support from 4 sections</li> </ul>	<p><b>EUROPE</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Barcelona (Spain)</li> <li>2. Barcelona Provincial Council / Diputación de Barcelona (Spain)</li> </ol> <p><b>NORAM</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>3. Kitchener (Canada)</li> </ol> <p><b>METROPOLIS</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>4. Bogotá (Colombia)</li> <li>5. Mexico City (Mexico)</li> <li>6. Montréal (Canada)</li> <li>7. Santiago (Chile)</li> <li>8. Sao Paolo (Brazil)</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. FLACMA</li> <li>2. Mercociudades</li> </ol>	<p><b>EUROPE</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Association of Netherlands Municipalities – VNG (Netherlands)</li> <li>2. United Cities of France / Cités Unies France (Europe)</li> </ol>