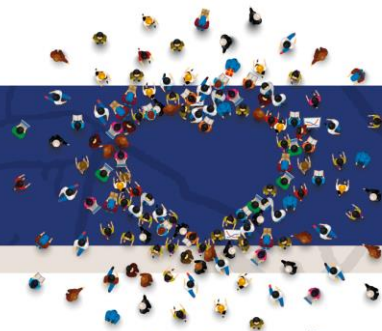


Item 2.2 – Annex 2

CANDIDATURES TO PRESIDENCY

This annex includes the biographies and motivation letters or manifestos that the candidates to Presidency submitted. In alphabetical order:

- **Altay, Uğur Ibrahim**, Mayor of Konya
- **Cosse, Carolina**, Mayor of Montevideo
- **Lee, Jang-Woo**, Mayor of Daejeon
- **Van Zanen, Jan**, Mayor of The Hague, President of the Association of Netherlands Municipalities (VNG)



Ugur Ibrahim ALTAY
Mayor of Konya



Ugur Ibrahim Altay was born in Konya in 1974. He completed his primary education in Selcuk Primary School (1985) and Mevlana Secondary School (1988), and his high school education in Konya Gazi High School (1991).

In 1997, he graduated from the Department of Civil Engineering at Selcuk University Faculty of Engineering and Architecture.

Ugur Ibrahim Altay served as Project Engineer for one year. In 1999, he completed his military service in Sırnak. Altay, as a civil engineer, has carried out many qualified projects.

Ugur İbrahim Altay served as the Deputy Chairman of the TMMOB (Union of Chambers of Turkish Engineers and Architects) Chamber of Civil Engineers of Konya Branch between 2004-2008. In 2008, he was elected as Konya Branch Chief of Civil Engineers Chamber of TMMOB.

Ugur Ibrahim Altay, who was elected as the Mayor of Selcuklu Municipality, one of the three central districts of Konya, with the elections of March 29, 2009, was reelected as the Mayor of Selcuklu Municipality in the election in March 2014.

In 2019, he was elected as Mayor of Konya Metropolitan Municipality getting more than 70% of the votes.

In addition to his position being Mayor of Konya Metropolitan Municipality, Uğur İbrahim Altay also has responsibilities such as being:

- Governing President of United Cities And Local Governments-UCLG
- President of Union of Turkish World Municipalities
- President of International Agrocities Union
- Vice President of League of Historical Cities-LHC
- President of Union of Municipalities of Anatolian Civilizations
- President of Union of Konya Municipalities
- Administrative Board Member of Organization of Islamic Capitals and Cities-OICC

Ugur Ibrahim Altay is married with three children.



Ms. Emilia SAIZ
UCLG Secretary General
Barcelona, SPAIN

Distinguished Secretary General,

Konya Metropolitan Municipality presents its best wishes and respects to you and the UCLG family.

Having joined UCLG in 2012, Konya has always been an active member of UCLG and UCLG-MEWA. In 2013, Konya Metropolitan Municipality was elected as an Executive Bureau Member of UCLG and Co-President of UCLG-MEWA. Konya has also shown its commitment by being on the frontline of service to UCLG and UCLG-MEWA. To name a few, hosting five important meetings including the Executive Bureau and Council Joint Meeting of UCLG-MEWA in 2013, Committee on Smart Cities Meeting in 2015 and 7th General Assembly in 2022.

Besides facilitating meetings, Konya has contributed to various committees within UCLG-MEWA in the past years in managing positions as well as co-president of UCLG-MEWA Committee on Environment, president of UCLG-MEWA Committee on Smart Cities and founder president of UCLG-MEWA Committee on Tourism. I, the Mayor of Konya Metropolitan Municipality duly perform my duties as Co-President since I assumed the position in 2018 and has had the chance to serve as the Governing President of UCLG between 15th June and 15th July 2022.

Konya has strong relations with many cities and organizations in the world with more than 60 sister cities all over the world and working actively to increase both the number and quality of these connections. Konya undertakes important positions in many international organizations. I perform as the President of the Union of Turkish World Municipalities, President of International Agricultural Cities Union and Vice Chairman of League of Historical Cities while Konya is either a member or executive member of many international organizations such as Organization of Islamic Capitals and Cities (OICC), as a historical city with ten thousand-year experience, bringing modernity and tradition together in harmony.

Konya Metropolitan Municipality is very well aware and appreciative of these two sides of Konya. During my time in the office, we have been thriving to build our future with a meticulous attention to the global issues and policies made and implemented in align with national authorities and in collaboration with our international partners, finding the strength in our roots that is due to being a cradle for many civilizations throughout its history.

Finding strength in cooperation, Konya's efforts to achieve diversity and quality in physical, cultural and social local services as well as richness, stability and resilience in international relations to become an exemplary local government in Turkey have proven to be quite fruitful for the citizens of Konya and those in close relations with Konya.



Konya has worked through a gradual approach, as we believe learning from each other is the key to progress. Therefore, throughout the years we have expanded our scope locally, nationally, regionally and internationally as one might infer from the experiences mentioned.

Considering the history, culture and experience of Konya and its continuous contribution to UCLG, as the Mayor of Konya and President of two international local governments organization, Union of Turkish World Municipalities and Union of International Agricultural Cities, I am running for the position of 2022-2025 Presidency of UCLG. I clearly understand and act in accordance with the Terms and Reference for UCLG Presidency.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Uğur İbrahim ALTAY".

Uğur İbrahim ALTAY

Mayor of Konya

Carolina Cosse

Mayor of Montevideo (Term: 2020-2025)



Carolina Cosse is an Electrical Engineer graduated from the School of Engineering of the Universidad de la República in 1991. In 2009 she obtained a Master's degree in Mathematical Engineering. She is passionate about mathematics and music of different styles.

She has worked in the private sector, directing numerous engineering and management projects in Uruguay and other Latin American countries. She has provided professional services to Uruguayan public companies such as UTE, the Banco de Previsión Social and the Ministry of Foreign Affairs.

From 2007 to 2010, she held her first political government position. She was the Director of the Information Technology Division of the Municipal Government of Montevideo, where she carried out very significant projects for the lives of Montevideo's residents.

From 2010 to 2015 she was the president of Antel, where she promoted the democratization of access to ICTs and important infrastructure projects, which led the company to the first place in Latin America, highlighting: the national fiber optic network, the international level Datacenter, the submarine cable interconnecting Uruguay with the United States, the Vera+ channel, the Ceibal educational connectivity, and the Antel Arena.

She was Minister of Industry, Energy and Mining from 2015 to 2019. She oriented her administration towards a strong implementation of policies to boost national industrial production, contribute to the diversification of the energy matrix, promote the development of the mining sector, telecommunications and micro, small and medium-sized enterprises, particularly innovative industries such as audiovisual, design, electronics, robotics and artificial intelligence.

In the national elections of October 2019, she was elected Senator of the Republic.

In the local elections of September 2020, she was elected Mayor of Montevideo, a position she will hold until 2025.



Intendencia
Montevideo

Montevideo, 1st August 2022.

Dear UCLG colleagues,

I am writing to you in preparation for our World Congress in Daejeon, Korea, next October.

As Mayor of Montevideo, I have had the honor of holding the Vice-Presidency of UCLG for Latin America. This role has allowed me to work throughout this time for a better and greater articulation between the different cities, subnational governments and associations that make up our region.

Today, thanks to the will of all the Latin American members of UCLG, our region is going through a new stage of institutional and political consolidation in accordance with the times we are facing. A reflection of this is the constitution of one Secretariat for our section.

In addition, in accordance with Montevideo's trajectory in its work for gender equality, we have supported every instance of UCLG that promotes feminist municipalism.

The fact that a global organization emphasizes women's leadership, but above all, the need for men and women in our communities to receive from our public policies the necessary tools to achieve equality of opportunities, is an example of the importance of multilateralism in achieving more rights and consolidating better democracies.

We place environment and sustainability at the center of the debate, engaging in the continued localization of the Sustainable Development Goals, the presentation of the Voluntary Local Report at the United Nations High-Level Political Forum,



Intendenci
a

and bringing the voice of LRGs to spaces such as COP26.

We are facing great challenges in a pandemic and in a climate of global conflict to which no community can remain oblivious. Articulating with the GTF to express our commitment to the New Urban Agenda and to position cities in the migration agenda was an imperative to guide local priorities in the global agenda. Building communities of peace requires local leadership and, above all, an enormous will for negotiation, diplomacy and the construction of global citizenship.

For all of the above reasons, today I am presenting my candidacy for the Presidency of UCLG. This initiative is motivated by the will to propel our global community to the next stage in our ongoing work for the planet, people and governments. We have made a pact for the future and we want to build that future from today. Where the equality for which we work so hard is reflected in a woman's leadership, representative of feminist municipalism, not for a mere symbolic constitution, but so that from that place and with the fundamental collaboration of the chairperson of the Committee on Gender Equality, we can promote the world's women mayors and support them in the construction of more egalitarian cities. We want the diversity of our community to be reflected once again, giving rise to a Latin American presidency as a result of a sustained dialogue in our region that was also built with the other sections. To be able to articulate throughout the global village, with the large metropolises, as well as with the intermediary cities.

We propose a global agenda that prioritizes spaces for peace building, climate action, innovation for social inclusion and advocacy for LRGs to reaffirm our presence at the global table.



Intendenci
a

We have a great challenge ahead of us: that multilateralism be seen by our citizens as the fundamental tool that it is, **deepening participation and communication with civil society**, experts and the entire **global community**.

Finally, I invite you to build together a leadership for our network that takes into account the priorities we have set as an organization, the demands of the inhabitants of our cities and the dedication to public service that characterizes us.

I look forward to our next meeting, and with an eye on the next World Congress, I extend to you my warmest greetings with my highest esteem.

Sincerely yours,

[Signature]

Carolina Cosse
Mayor of Montevideo



Montevideo, 1st August 2022

Emilia Saiz
Secretary General of United Cities and Local
Governments (UCLG)

Subject: Acceptance of terms of reference. UCLG Presidency 2022-2025

Dear Secretary General,

I, the undersigned, Mayor of Montevideo, Engineer Carolina Cosse, hereby declare to accept the "Terms of Reference for the Roles and Responsibilities of the Presidency" of UCLG, adopted by the 2015 Executive Bureau in Paris, upon recommendation of the Committee on Statutory Affairs, as well as its subsequent modifications and concordant rules.

Yours sincerely,

[Signature]

Carolina Cosse Mayor of
Montevideo

Curriculum Vitae

Dr. Jang Woo LEE



Date of Birth	10 Feb 1965
Family status	Married, father of two children
Office Address	100 Dunsanro Seogu, Daejeon
Phone	(+82) 042 270 2001
Position	Mayor of Daejeon, Korea

□ DIPLOMAS

Feb. 1992	B.A. in Public Administration, Daejeon University
Feb. 1999	M.A. in Public Administration, Daejeon University
Feb. 2004	Ph.D. in Public Administration, Daejeon University Certificate of Qualification in Social Worker

□ MAJOR CAREERS

2006-2010	Mayor of Dong-gu District
2012-2020	Member of the 19th and 20th National Assembly (two consecutive terms), The Saenuri Party
Sep. 2021	Director of the Presidential Campaign
Dec. 2021	Chairman of the Presidential Campaign Committee in Daejeon
Jan. 2022	Deputy Director of the Central Presidential Campaign Committee
2022-2026	Mayor of Daejeon Metropolitan City



Daejeon Metropolitan City
Office of the Mayor

1st of August 2022

To Ms Emilia Saiz
Secretary General
United Cities and Local Governments

Subject: Candidacy for UCLG President 2022–2025

I would like to extend my warm greetings to you as the mayor of Daejeon Metropolitan City, the host of the 7th United Cities and Local Governments (UCLG) World Congress. First of all, allow me to express my sincere gratitude and respect to UCLG and its members for their dedication and hard work that have contributed to the prosperity of UCLG.

I am writing this letter to inform you of my willingness to run for the presidency of UCLG in the election at the upcoming Daejeon World Congress in October 2022. I am committed to the development of UCLG along with all of you.

My candidacy is motivated by the willingness to find a way to revitalize the regional economy that has been stagnant due to COVID-19 through the cooperative network among UCLG member cities. Moreover, a member city of the UCLG ASPAC section has never been a president despite the fact that UCLG ASPAC has been committed to the UCLG activities including hosting UCLG World Congress twice out of seven congresses.

Daejeon has been involved in many exchanges and activities within UCLG since joining it in 2004. In particular, as the host city of the 2022 UCLG WORLD Congress, Daejeon has contributed to UCLG by enthusiastically promoting its voice in the international community. Besides, as a member of the UCLG World Council and Executive Bureau, Daejeon has been actively sharing ideas and experiences at various meetings.

As the mayor of Daejeon, I undertake to continue and develop the legacy of Daejeon City with UCLG. Moreover, I care about the world in which the next generation will live. I will not only give priority to sustainable development but also implement policies that the young people truly desire. These efforts include drawing up a vision for youth, establishing a youth housing environment and a communication platform, and structuring customized jobs. In addition, I will work out policies that will support vulnerable people, such as children, women, the elderly, and the disabled.



Daejeon Metropolitan City

Office of the Mayor

If you look at my career, you will notice that I have diverse experiences from solving local issues as the mayor of a small city to setting up national policies on behalf of the people as a member of the National Assembly. In recognition of the political influence and the ability to get things done, I have now taken on the role of mayor of Daejeon Metropolitan City. I believe my experience will be a great asset to understanding the diversity of the UCLG members and it can contribute greatly to the development and interaction of the members.

Since the coronavirus pandemic, the cities and regions have gotten farther away from each other and conversations have diminished. Against this backdrop, Daejeon will prepare for this World Congress to become a venue where the UCLG member cities and associations can reunite and find hope for restoration. To this end, Daejeon is striving hard to make the World Congress the most successful event ever by establishing a strong relationship not only with ASPAC members but also with other sections such as Europe and Africa. I hope that this endeavor will turn into a strong trust that leads to support for my candidacy for the presidency.

Following the legacy of the former leadership, I will do my best to increase the influence of UCLG with a strong sense of responsibility. To solve common global challenges such as achieving sustainable economic development, fostering innovative industries, finding quality jobs, bridging generational differences, alleviating inequality, ending poverty in all its forms, ensuring equitable education, and addressing climate change, I will strengthen the means of implementation and mobilize all my abilities to fulfill my assigned role for the sustainable development of UCLG.

I formally accept the terms of reference for the roles and takes of the UCLG Presidency. I will attend all scheduled UCLG meetings every year and facilitate networking and stronger connections with the various UCLG sections including UCLG ASPAC. Furthermore, I will do my utmost to increase the influence of both local and regional governments by emphasizing political dialogue and harmony and developing new partnerships.



Daejeon Metropolitan City
Office of the Mayor

Lastly, to raise the voices of local and regional governments, I will enhance the role of the local and regional governments in the international community and create a new framework for global leadership based on sharing experiences and expanding communications. I am running for the president of UCLG with great confidence and ambition. As President of UCLG, I will make every efforts to work together to make the voices of every city and region heard with the support of the UCLG Presidency, the UCLG sections and secretariats.

Please find attached support letters from 6 different local governments members from at least 3 different sections as following:

ASPAC section

- President of National League of Local Councils, Cambodia
- President Local Government New Zealand
- Chairperson of Association of District Coordination Committees of Nepal

Other sections

- Europe: Mayor of Brno city, Czech
- Africa: President of Union of cities and towns, COTE D'IVOIRE
- Eurasia: Mayor of Ulaanbaatar city, Mongolia

I also attach a list of other support letters for your information.

Thank you.

Sincerely Yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'LEE JANG WOO'.

LEE Jang Woo
Mayor of Daejeon Metropolitan City

Biography Jan van Zanen

Jan van Zanen was born in 1961 and grew up in Edam-Volendam. After attending high school he completed his law studies at the Vrije Universiteit in Amsterdam in 1985 and at Cornell Law School at Cornell University in Ithaca, New York. He did his military service as a reserve officer with the Royal Netherlands Air Force. He then worked in a number of functions including as executive secretary at a national business association. As of 1990 Van Zanen became a member of the municipal council in Utrecht, and



subsequently was appointed as the alderman for finance, economic affairs, public space and monuments in 1998. From 2003 to 2008 he was the chairman of the national People's Party for Freedom and Democracy (VVD). Van Zanen then served as mayor of Amstelveen from July 2005 to December 2013. On 1 January 2014 he was appointed as the Mayor of Utrecht. Since 3 June 2015 he has been the chairperson of the Association of Netherlands Municipalities (VNG). In that role, Jan van Zanen also joined the Presidency of United Cities and Local Governments (UCLG) in 2019. He was sworn in as the Mayor of The Hague on 1 July 2020.

The Hague, 29 July 2022

Dear Secretary General, dear Emilia,

It has been my pleasure to serve as your co-president over the past three years. It has been an intense period in which we showed our strength as a network. COVID-19 forced us to change our ways, to do things differently. We met online numerous times, perhaps we even collaborated more intensively than before. However, I also see that we are now catching up with the 'lost time'.

When I started being a member of the UCLG Presidency I was Mayor of Utrecht. Since 2020 I am Mayor of The Hague, the 3rd largest city of the Netherlands. I remain chairman of the Association of Netherlands Municipalities (VNG). In these roles, I would like to present my candidacy for the Presidency of UCLG in the period 2022-2025 to you. I am particularly motivated to continue because I believe that the existence of a strong and united municipal movement has grown in importance, in the turbulent times that we live in. I want to contribute to that, actively.

Some achievements from the past period

During my period as co-president, I have particularly engaged in the important work concerning the Sustainable Development Goals and the strengthening of UCLG as a world organization; both topics lie close to my heart. SDG 11 (sustainable cities and communities) is naturally a key priority for UCLG and its members. Moreover, I worked on more attention and visibility for SDG 16 (peace, justice and strong institutions). VNG International is the founder of the UCLG Peace Prize and has worked on the strengthening of local governance worldwide for decades. VNG International's vast knowledge and experience with the topics of peace building and city diplomacy, which I have also applied in the shaping of the Municipal Peace Talks in recent months, provide a solid basis for the new mandate.

UN75 also was a milestone achievement for UCLG; the UN clearly recognized the need for a more multilevel multilateral governance system, to be achieved in the next decade(s). UCLG will continue to contribute to this, and so will I (as Mayor of the 2nd UN city of the world). VNG, the UCLG team and various members have worked hard on a revised policy paper on development cooperation & local governments, to be adopted by the World Council members in Daejeon. This will be a (new) cornerstone document and vision on development for our constituency, and important input for dialogues with national governments, the donor community and other stakeholders.

Priorities for the next period

In the light of all the ongoing conflicts in the world, I find it of utmost importance that we, as UCLG, continue to provide space for reconciliation, after war and conflict, through the Municipal Peace Talks and other mechanisms. Relations between nation states might be destroyed, at least temporarily, but dialogue and cooperation at local level might become possible again. This have proven to be the case in some post-conflict situations; we need to continue to try to facilitate such dialogue as UCLG. In view of the increase in centralisation tendencies, it is even more important that local governments try to unite, whenever possible.

In the next period, I will continue to pledge for international cooperation between local governments, to face the current and upcoming global challenges adequately. Decentralized cooperation (i.e. development cooperation between local governments) is a crucial cooperation modality, which can help tackle these global challenges. As the new UCLG paper on development cooperation of local governments describes, decentralized cooperation needs more recognition and adequate, sustainable funding, now and in the future. This topic can also be addressed within the Local Government Associations Forum of UCLG, for which I want to refresh VNG's commitment.

Moreover, we need to continuously invest in strengthening our organisation, internally and externally. In the next three years, members have the chance to reinvigorate the network and renew its value proposition. The organisation's global agenda has effectively brought UCLG closer to UN processes and strengthened its presence in them. However, we should not lose our focus on achieving meaningful results coming from such efforts. Aside from our relation with the UN bodies, we should also continue to build other partnerships, get more members involved and to link to general media, for more visibility, among other activities.

I look forward to continue my work in the UCLG Presidency. I am also prepared to step up as your new President, to ensure the stability and strength of our organization in the current turbulent times and to answer to the broad support received the previous weeks. As a representative of The Hague, international city of peace and justice, and of the strong association VNG, which is well-embedded in the European section and in the broader world organisation, I feel confident that I have the necessary experience and the right team behind me to fulfil all the responsibilities of that position.

Last but not least: I endorse the terms and conditions of the Presidency, naturally.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in grey ink, appearing to read 'Jan van Zanen', with a stylized flourish at the end.

Jan van Zanen
Mayor of The Hague
President of VNG

Annexes
Biography
Letters of support