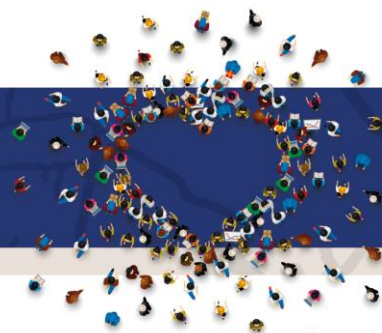


Item 2.2 – Annex 6

CANDIDATURES TO TREASURER

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

- **Rhalalou, Asmaa**, Mayor of Rabat
- **Vrbanovic, Berry**, Mayor of Kitchener, President Emeritus of the Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM)





**BIOGRAPHY OF HON. MS ASMAA RHLALOU
MAYOR OF THE CITY OF RABAT**

Born in Rabat, Ms. Rhlalou received her Doctorate in Economics from the University Perpignan in France in 2006 after the defense of her scientific thesis on the Regional Investment Centers.

She worked as a journalist for the Newspaper l'Opinion for 20 years, then corresponding to MBC from 1998 until 2001 in the Department of news and documentary programs.

She began her political life with the Independence Party in 1990, she was the youngest member of the Party's central committee. After she has joined the Party of the Rassemblement National des Indépendants (RNI), then member of its National Council.

Subsequently, Member of the RNI of the legislative mandate 2016-2021 to the national list of women in Parliament. During this period, she was a member of the Commission of Finance and Economic Development, after which she held the position of Secretary of the Office of the Council of Parliament. In this capacity, she chaired and participated in several national and international forums.

Ms. Rhlalou is also a member of the World Water Council and an active member in several associations dealing with women in vulnerable and hard situation.

She is also Vice-President of the International festival of arts and culture in Rabat.

Candidate of the RNI in last elections of 2021, she won the majority of votes in the election of the President of the Communal Council of the City of Rabat. Ms. Asmaa Rhlalou is the first female Mayor leading the City of Rabat.

She is leading the City based on the Principles of Effective Governance, namely Efficiency, Integrity, and Inclusiveness, making sure to leave no one and no place in Rabat behind.

She also Vice-President and Member of the Bureau of the Moroccan Association of Mayors (AMPCC).

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[Courtesy translation from the original in French]

The Mayor of Rabat
TO
Ms. EMILIA SAIZ
Secretary General of UCLG

Subject: Candidature of the city of Rabat

Following the call for candidatures for the renewal of the governing bodies of UCLG, which will take place in Daejeon during the month of October 2022, and following the withdrawal of Mr. Mohamed SEFIANI, Mayor of CHEFCHAOUEN, to his previously submitted candidature, I have the honor to submit to you on behalf of Morocco the unique candidature of the city of RABAT, which replaces that of the city of CHEFCHAOUEN for the position of Treasurer of UCLG, in order to integrate the bodies of UCLG, and to participate strongly in the dynamics of local governments at the world level.

Thus, allow me to confirm our strong involvement in the vision and orientations of this honorable organization UCLG, to which we adhere perfectly, and which represents a fundamental pillar not only to make the voice of local governments heard throughout the world, but above all to question and debate on their new roles, especially in times of post-Covid economic recovery.

Please accept, Madam Secretary General, the expression of our highest consideration and our best wishes.

[Signature]

Asmaa Rhalalou

Mayor of Rabat

Attached: Support letters : 7 letters Africa Section; 3 letters Europe Section; 1 letter Eurasia Section;
2 letters MEWA Section; 1 letter COPPEM

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July 30, 2022

Dear colleagues,

I am writing to you today to inform you that I intend to stand for the position of Co-President of United Cities and Local Governments (UCLG) during this year's upcoming 7th World Congress, being held in Daejeon, South Korea from October 10-14, 2022. Consistent with the electoral provisions of UCLG, please also consider this letter of intention as my full acceptance of the Terms of Reference for members of the UCLG Presidency.

My member organization, the Federation of Canadian Municipalities, has been a key and active member of UCLG since the foundation of our new world organization back in 2004. I have had the privilege of serving our global family since 2006 in Jeju, South Korea, in various capacities beginning as a committee member and most recently, in my second term in the role of UCLG Treasurer – a role I have held since the Bogota congress in 2016.

In my capacity as UCLG Treasurer, during these past six years, I have worked collaboratively with two successive Presidents - Parks Tau and Mohamed Boudra, our Co-Presidents, our section vice-presidents and other partners to advance our global movement of local and regional governments. During this time our organization has made significant strides. Our financial position as an organization, and that of our sections has improved significantly in collaboration with a variety of partners, we have collectively tackled the impacts of Covid-19 together with our membership and our team in Barcelona, and we have made continued progress as the recognized voice of the world's cities and communities at the United Nations and in other global institutions.

As someone who has been involved with UCLG for more than a decade, I have seen what we can achieve together, when we speak with one unified voice - whether it is about the Durban Political Declaration, the Paris Agreement on Climate Change, localizing the Sustainable Development Goals, the New Urban Agenda or the Sendai Disaster framework. I have had the privilege of working together with many of you as we have seen our meetings move from hotels on the fringes of the United Nations to meeting with UN Secretary General Antonio Guterres in his boardroom. And with your support, I am committed to continuing this critical work as we strive to further strengthen the financial situation of our organization – both in its central offices, and throughout each of our sections as well as continue to grow our advocacy towards an ultimate goal of a permanent seat for local and regional governments at the United Nations.

Through my participation, I have also been able to bring the North American and the Canadian local and regional government perspective to many of the discussions around our global tables. With the proximity of Kitchener to New York, my involvement has also been a benefit to UCLG, as I can represent us at meetings, often going back and forth on the same day. I believe it is important to ensure that this voice continues to be part of our global family.

As we collectively prepare for Daejeon in the coming weeks, like you, I remain committed to the strong, democratic leadership of our organization. Like you, I want to see a leadership team that reflects both a global balance and a gender balance, ensuring an ever-increasing female presence as part of a commitment to strong leadership. As Mayor of Kitchener, within Canada's 10th largest region, and at the heart of Canada's innovation corridor, I know that Kitchener and FCM's experience would be useful to the ongoing growth and progress of our UCLG family. I therefore ask you to support my candidacy to return to the Presidency, this time in the new role of Co-President. I also offer, in the spirit of UCLG consensus building, that if it would be more beneficial for me to serve in the role of Treasurer once again on the Presidency, I am willing to entertain discussions in that regard as well.

Yours Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Berry Vrbanovic". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, sweeping underline.

Berry Vrbanovic
Mayor



MAYOR BERRY VRBANOVIC

BIOGRAPHY

Kitchener Mayor Berry Vrbanovic was born in Zagreb, Croatia, and understands the challenges of immigrant families and the issues facing the thousands of Canadians making Kitchener their new home.

Berry attended St. Jerome's High School and is a graduate of Wilfrid Laurier University with a BA in political science and a diploma in business administration. More recently, Berry was one of 40 global mayors in the 2021-22 class of the Bloomberg-Harvard City Leadership Initiative and in 2022, Mayor Vrbanovic and the City of Kitchener were selected to be part of the inaugural cohort of the Bloomberg City Data Alliance initiative.

Berry Vrbanovic's outgoing and personable style, coupled with his commitment to local government, saw him being first elected as Mayor of the City of Kitchener in 2014. He was then re-elected in 2018, with an outpouring of community support, for a second term. As Mayor, Berry also serves as a Councillor on the council of the Regional Municipality of Waterloo. He remains committed to improving the quality of life for residents not only in Kitchener and throughout the Region of Waterloo, but in fact in cities and communities across Canada and around the world.

Prior to being elected Mayor, Berry served as a councillor for six consecutive terms of council, from 1994-2014. His municipal career however started in the public service where Berry worked in the city's clerk's office and the information technology division, both as a student and in a professional capacity upon completion of his university studies.

In addition to serving on all regular standing committees of Kitchener city council, Berry is also an appointee and active participant on many boards and committees, including the Mayor's Advisory Council for Kitchener Seniors (MACKS), Kitchener-Wilmot Hydro Inc. Board of Directors, University of Waterloo and Wilfrid Laurier University Board of Governors, Kitchener Housing Inc. Board of Directors, Centre in the Square Board of Management, and the Downtown Kitchener BIA Board of Directors.

Since 2016, Berry has served as the Treasurer of United Cities & Local Governments, an organization he has been involved with since 2006 in various roles and responsibilities. Berry is also President Emeritus (2011-12) of the Federation of Canadian Municipalities and a past member of FCM's Green Municipal Fund Council.

